

Ken's Daily Trivia

Each weekday, I'll post 5 trivia questions for you to puzzle out. No Googling! New questions will be posted every weekday, and answers will be posted on Saturday. Have fun!

And now the answers!

April 17th

1. Who played TV's superman in the original series?
 - a. George reeves
2. What was Mozart's first name?
 - a. Wolfgang
3. Who wrote *The Strange Case of Dr Jeckyll and Mr Hyde*?
 - a. Robert Louis Stevenson
4. In which Shakespearean tragedy does Laertes appear?
 - a. Hamlet
5. What element has the periodic table name "Na"?
 - a. Sodium

April 16th

1. A person who starts fires maliciously is an _____.
 - a. Arsonist
2. In our solar system there are 2 mountains called 'Mount Olympus'. One is in Greece, where is the other?
 - a. On Mars
3. Who supposedly fiddled while Rome burned?
 - a. Nero
4. What piece of real estate did Peter Minuit buy in 1626?
 - a. Manhattan
5. Who wrote the book 'Jurassic Park'?
 - a. Michael Crichton

April 15th

1. Slip, square, and surgeon all types of what?
 - a. Knots
2. Which U.S. President ordered the dropping of the atom bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki?
 - a. Harry Truman
3. What is the Chinese practice of treating illness by inserting needles into the body called?
 - a. Acupuncture
4. In which state are Gettysburg and the Liberty Bell?
 - a. Pennsylvania
5. What is Earth's galaxy called?
 - a. The Milky Way

April 14th

1. During the prohibition era, what was sold at "speakeasies"?
 - a. Illegal liquor
2. Fine young cannibals released the smash hit 'she drives me _____'?
 - a. Crazy
3. The Vedas are the sacred texts of what religion?
 - a. Hinduism
4. 'Piano Man' was which man's first successful album in 1974?
 - a. Billy Joel
5. Where are the U.S. Tennis Open Championships held?
 - a. Flushing Meadows New York

April 13th

1. Fill in the blanks to this well-known film quote - "I'll get you, my pretty, and your little ????? too"?
 - a. Dog
2. One of Johnny Depp's earliest film roles was as Private Gator Lerner in what Academy Award winning war film?
 - a. Platoon
3. What WWII European recovery program was named for the Secretary of State who proposed it?
 - a. The Marshall Plan
4. What sport would a pugilist take part in?
 - a. Boxing
5. The ____ generation included such authors as Jack Kerouac, William S. Burroughs and Allen Ginsburg.
 - a. Beat

April 10th - Answers

1. How many rings are there on the Olympic flag?
 - a. Five
2. According to the Dewey Decimal System, library books numbered in the 500s are part of what category?
 - a. Science
3. Poutine consists of gravy and cheese curds on top of what?
 - a. French fries
4. What is the female version of the Duke title?
 - a. Duchess
5. Who is the inventor of the KonMari Method of organization?
 - a. Marie Kondo

April 9th

1. What is Japanese sake made from?
 - a. Rice
2. In pool, what color is the eight ball?
 - a. Black

3. "Cirque du Soleil" was founded in what country?
 - a. Canada
4. What is a somnambulist?
 - a. A sleepwalker
5. What company's famous plaid pattern is called "novacheck"?
 - a. Burberry

April 8th

1. In what country is the Nobel Peace Prize awarded?
 - a. Norway
2. What movie begins with a feather coming to rest in front of a Savannah, Georgia, bus stop?
 - a. Forrest Gump
3. Which river runs through Rome?
 - a. Tiber
4. In what sport is the "Cy Young Award" awarded?
 - a. Baseball
5. What meal-in-a-box is called the San Francisco treat?
 - a. Rice-a-Roni

April 7th - Answers

1. What word describes a handbag without straps or handles?
 - a. Clutch
2. In Disney's "Snow White", what kind of poisoned fruit did the Evil Queen try to give to Snow White?
 - a. Apple
3. Who recorded the song "The Fool on the Hill" in 1968?
 - a. The Beatles
4. What does an archer carry his arrows in?
 - a. Quiver
5. What river was connected to Lake Erie by the Erie Canal?
 - a. The Hudson river

April 6th - Answers

1. The daughter of Zeus, "Persephone" is the Greek Goddess of which season?
 - a. Spring
2. The 1991 science-fiction action film "Judgment Day" is the sequel to which 1984 movie?
 - a. The Terminator
3. In the late 1990's, what candy bar used the ad slogan "Two for me, none for you"?
 - a. Twix
4. What type of alcohol is typically used to make a mint julep?
 - a. Bourbon
5. What material is made by a Bessemer converter?
 - a. Steel

April 5th - Answers

1. How many people on earth share the same birthday?
 - a. About 20 million
2. How many birthday cards are sent each year in the United States?
 - a. About 2 billion
3. Which month has the most birthdays?
 - a. September
4. Which month has the fewest birthdays?
 - a. September
5. What was the original title of "Happy Birthday to You?"
 - a. Good Morning to All

April 4th

1. "Strange, isn't it? Each man's life touches so many other lives." Can you name the film?
 - a. It's a Wonderful Life
2. What position was first held by David Ben-Gurion?
 - a. Prime Minister of Israel
3. Who was the 35th president of the United States?
 - a. John F. Kennedy
4. To counter slipping sales, what was marketed, beginning in 1987, as "the other white meat"?
 - a. Pork
5. What state saw the start of the American Revolution?
 - a. Massachusetts

April 3rd - Answers

1. "I love the smell of napalm in the morning" is a line from which 1979 film?
 - a. Apocalypse Now
2. What was initially marketed as a tonic or medicine, contained extracts of cocaine and kola nut?
 - a. Coca-Cola
3. Which former American president was also a Nobel laureate and a Princeton professor?
 - a. Woodrow Wilson
4. What did the British army do to the US Capitol building in 1814?
 - a. Set it on fire
5. What monumental building is known as the "white pearl of India"?
 - a. The Taj Mahal

April 2nd - Answers

1. Which artist is best known for his work with stained glass?
 - a. Louis Comfort Tiffany
2. Who wrote the novel "The Hunt for Red October"?
 - a. Robert Stevenson
3. Held in April of 2017, what TV game show won the Emmy for "Outstanding Game Show" at the 44th Daytime Emmy Awards?

- a. Jeopardy!
- 4. King Salman removed a ban on women driving automobiles in which nation in 2017?
 - a. Saudi Arabia
- 5. What Internet search engine company was hit with \$2.7 billion fine for engaging in antitrust behavior?
 - a. Google

April 1st – Answers

- 1. What is an assembly of witches called?
 - a. A coven
- 2. Which Irish city is famous for its crystal?
 - a. Waterford
- 3. Which band released the best selling album 'Rumours' in 1977?
 - a. Fleetwood Mac
- 4. The sleeve of which Beatles album was the first ever to feature printed lyrics?
 - a. Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band
- 5. What did Lyndon Johnson declare war against on January 8, 1964?
 - a. Poverty

March 31st - Answers

- 1. What's the best possible poker hand?
 - a. Royal flush (A, K, Q, J, 10, all the same suit)
- 2. How many sides does a dodecahedron have?
 - a. 20
- 3. What is the closest star to the Earth?
 - a. The Sun
- 4. In Disney's Jungle Book, what kind of animal was King Louis?
 - a. An orangutan
- 5. Coal is composed primarily of which element?
 - a. Carbon

March 30th - Answers

- 1. Which famous newspaper is sometimes referred to as "The Old Grey Lady"?
 - a. The New York Times
- 2. What play was being performed when Abraham Lincoln was shot?
 - a. Our American Cousin
- 3. What color was George Gershwin's 'rhapsody' in 1924?
 - a. Blue
- 4. What is Dennis the menace's last name?
 - a. Mitchell
- 5. This animal is armed with bony plates and rolls up into a ball if frightened.
 - a. Armadillo

March 29th - Answers

1. What season is it in Australia when Santa Claus drops in?
 - a. Summer
2. Which 1980s soap had people asking "Who shot JR?"
 - a. Dallas
3. Who (or what) was the first female monster to appear in a movie?
 - a. The Bride of Frankenstein
4. In which alcoholic drink might you find a worm?
 - a. Tequila
5. What are the three colors on a roulette wheel?
 - a. Red, black, and green

March 28th - Answers

1. Disney villain Cruella Devil wanted to make a coat out of what?
 - a. Dalmatian puppies
2. In 1877, Edison demonstrated his first gramophone with a recording of himself reciting which nursery rhyme?
 - a. Mary had a little lamb
3. What was the name of Jacques Cousteau's research ship?
 - a. Calypso
4. A person putting a lot of effort into a task is said to be using what type of grease?
 - a. Elbow grease
5. Charles Lindbergh took only four sandwiches to eat with him on his famous flight where?
 - a. Across the Atlantic ocean

March 27th - Answers

1. *Rebel without a cause*, *East of Eden*, and *Giant* were this young actor's only films.
 - a. James Dean
2. Organic and inorganic are the 2 main divisions of what science?
 - a. Chemistry
3. What President appears on the US \$10,000 bill?
 - a. Salmon P. Chase
4. Handlebar, toothbrush and walrus are all types of what?
 - a. Moustaches
5. What U.S. city was the nation's capital from 1789 to 1790?
 - a. New York City

March 26th - Answers

1. Rodgers & Hammerstein named what musical after a U.S. State?
 - a. Oklahoma
2. What do Indianapolis 500 winners traditionally drink in the winner's circle?

- a. Milk
3. Which singing diva flopped at the box office with her debut movie "Glitter?"
 - a. Mariah Carey
4. What metal is liquid at room temperature?
 - a. Mercury
5. What was the secret identity of Don Diego de la Vega?
 - a. Zorro

March 25th – Answers

1. On which fictional island does Thomas the tank engine operate?
 - a. The island of Sodor
2. Which radioactive gas is emitted by granite rock formations, and may also be found in your basement?
 - a. Radon
3. What is the only American state that starts with the letter 'a' but doesn't end with the letter 'a?'
 - a. Arkansas
4. New Orleans is considered the home of what kind of music?
 - a. Jazz
5. Which fellow actress did Faye Dunaway play in the film 'Mommie Dearest?'
 - a. Joan Crawford

March 24th - Answers

1. What were 'Little Boy' and 'Fat Man?'
 - a. The code names for the atomic bombs dropped on Japan in 1945
2. In 1911 Roald Amundsen became the first person to travel where?
 - a. The South Pole
3. What does a numismatist collect?
 - a. Coins
4. What mythical Scottish town appears for one day every 100 years?
 - a. Brigadoon
5. In your medicine cabinet, by what name is salicylic acid better known?
 - a. Aspirin

March 23rd - Answers

1. John Dillinger was the first person to appear at number 1 on what list?
 - a. The FBI's most wanted list
2. Rapa Nui is the native name for what famous island?
 - a. Easter Island
3. On which national flag is there an eagle and a snake?
 - a. Mexico
4. What country was Ricky Ricardo from on the popular TV sitcom 'I Love Lucy?'
 - a. Cuba

5. Who is TV personality Judith Sheindlin better known as?
 - a. Judge Judy

March 22nd - Answers

1. Upon his death in 1931, all non-essential lights in the U.S. were turned off for one minute in his honor.
 - a. Thomas Edison
2. Ichthyologists study what?
 - a. Fish
3. Which poet wrote the Beat era poem 'Howl?'
 - a. Allen Ginsberg
4. What singing group had hits in the 1960s with 'Monday Monday' and 'California Dreamin'?'
 - a. The Mamas and the Papas
5. Which actor played the first James Bond?
 - a. Sean Connery

March 21st - Answers

1. Who was Abraham Lincoln's first choice to lead the Union Army?
 - a. Robert E. Lee
2. On which Shakespeare play was the play and movie 'Kiss Me Kate' based?
 - a. Taming of the Shrew
3. What name is used to describe permanently frozen subsoil?
 - a. Permafrost
4. What was known as "liberty cabbage" during World War I?
 - a. Sauerkraut
5. Who was the male star in the 1967 film Bonnie & Clyde?
 - a. Warren Beatty

March 20th - Answers

1. Facebook was originally developed as a social tool for students at which university?
 - a. Harvard
2. Who comes after the US vice president in the line of presidential succession?
 - a. The speaker of the House of Representatives
3. What sport has official rules to cover "tea intervals?"
 - a. Cricket
4. Who was the second man to walk on the Moon?
 - a. Buzz Aldrin
5. What company developed and manufactured the Pentium computer microprocessor?
 - a. Intel

March 19th – Answers

1. Louisa May Alcott wrote "Little Women" in 1868. Who wrote a book called "Little Men" in 1871?

- a. This is a bit of a trick question. "Little Men" was also written by Louis May Alcott as a sequel to Little Women.
2. The spacecraft Cassini–Huygens ended its 19-year mission by plunging into what planet on September 15, 2017?
 - a. Saturn
3. In the film "A Few Good Men", which actor says the line "You can't handle the truth?"
 - a. Jack Nicholson
4. What organization was formed to replace "The League of Nations?"
 - a. The United Nations
5. What racket sport involves bashing a birdie?
 - a. Badminton