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Round 1/2

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Rules:

The quiz consists of 10 rounds or topic categories, each with 25 questions. A player's total score is determined by the number of correct answers to all questions (**no scores are discarded!**). The maximum playing time is **2 x 60 minutes**. If you are asked for a person's name, the last name is sufficient, unless the first name is explicitly requested. A correct last name in combination with an incorrect first name is considered an incorrect answer!

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Players: _____

Category

Content

Points

Questions


with question number
and given answer


Category	Content	Points	Questions
History	Early history, antiquity, Middle Ages, modern times, contemporary history, etc.		
Politics and Business	Governments, parties, political geography, current political events, laws, companies, organizations and associations, etc.		
Arts and Culture	Fine arts, architecture, language, religion, mythology, etc.		
Literature and Media	Fiction, drama, poetry, non-fiction, comics, newspapers, magazines, theater, radio, audiobooks, and podcasts, etc.		
Music	Modern, classical, and traditional music, musicians, instruments, music theory, etc.		

Total score for part 1

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History

1.	Which socialist state with East Berlin as its capital existed in Germany from 1949 to 1990 and emerged from the former Soviet occupation zone?	
2.	The cities of Cologne, Mainz, and Trier are among the oldest cities in Germany and were all founded by which important empire ?	
3.	The German colony of "German South West Africa" existed from 1884 to 1915 and was located in the territory of which independent state today ? The country gained independence from South Africa in 1990.	
4.	Near which German city , which today has more than 600,000 inhabitants, were the French troops and Napoleon's allies decisively defeated by the coalition in 1813 during the "Battle of the Nations"? At the time, it was the largest battle in human history.	
5.	<p>What was the name of the chief wife of the Egyptian pharaoh Akhenaten? She is known today for her bust, which is on display in the "New Museum" in Berlin.</p> 	
6.	Which navigator was commissioned to undertake a voyage of discovery in the Atlantic Ocean by the "Capitulation of Santa Fe" in 1492?	
7.	What is the Spanish or Portuguese term for "conqueror," a title particularly associated with Hernán Cortés and Francisco Pizarro?	
8.	In which city did the members of the first all-German parliament gather in St. Paul's Church on May 18, 1848?	


9.	German-Baltic navigator Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen, along with American Nathaniel Brown Palmer and Briton Edward Bransfield, is considered one of the first people to have sighted which continent ?	
10.	Which horse , considered the most famous animal of its kind in ancient times, was Alexander the Great's horse in many battles? In 326 BC, the horse drowned in the Battle of Hydaspes.	
11.	Which period of history lasted in Europe from around 3200 to around 900 BC? The period in question was named after a metal that was mainly used to make weapons and other tools at that time.	
12.	What atomic number do Cleopatra, the last Egyptian pharaoh of the Ptolemaic dynasty, and Edward, the first British monarch from the House of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, have in common?	
13.	The popular assembly "Apella" and the council of elders "Gerusia" were among the most important political institutions of which ancient city-state ?	
14.	<p>Which ruined metropolis, best known for its step temples and sun pyramid, was the cultural, economic, and military center of Central America from around 100 AD to 650 AD? The remains of the city have been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987.</p> 	
15.	Which Chinese dynasty , which ruled from 206 BC to 220 AD, was named after the longest tributary of the Yangtze River? It gave rise to the world's largest ethnic group, with around 1.3 billion people, to which over 90% of today's Chinese belong.	

16.	Which people , who settled in the center of present-day Turkey, are descended from 20,000 Celtic mercenaries recruited by King Nicomedes I of Bithynia in 278 BC? The people are also mentioned in the title of a book of the Bible.	
17.	Which country was ruled by Alfredo Stroessner, whose parents emigrated from Germany to the country in question, between 1954 and 1989?	
18.	Which of the Paris Suburban Treaties reorganized Bulgaria's borders after World War I? For example, Bulgaria had to cede territories to Greece and Romania.	
19.	Just as Joe Biden served as President of the United States of America between Donald Trump's two terms in office, which Republican served as the 23rd president between Grover Cleveland's two terms? Like his grandfather's speech, his inaugural address was one of the shortest in history.	
20.	Which Catholic religious order did Ignatius of Loyola, a priest from the Basque Country, co-found in the 16th century?	
21.	Sunni Ali, Sonni Baru, and Askia Musa were rulers of which empire in West Africa, whose capital was the city of Gao, now located in Mali? The empire was named after an African ethnic group.	
22.	Who ruled from 592 to 628 AD as the first female tenno of Japan ?	
23.	Linus, Cletus, and Evaristus were among the first people to hold which office ?	
24.	What is the name of the battle in World War II that lasted from June 15 to July 9, 1944, and in which the United States conquered the Mariana Islands occupied by Japan? The battle is named after the second largest Mariana Island in terms of area.	
25.	Which was the most common name among the Achaemenid rulers, with four bearers? The first was the son of Xerxes the Great and thus his direct successor; the other three followed between Darius II and Darius III.	

Politics and Business

26.	Until 1999, which city , with a population of around 320,000 today, was the capital of the Federal Republic of Germany?	
27	Which German automotive group based in Wolfsburg owns brands such as Audi, Seat, Skoda, and Lamborghini?	
28.	Jawed Karim, who was born in 1979 in the German city of Merseburg, was one of three founders of which major online video portal in 2005? The video portal now belongs to Google.	
29.	Social democratic parties with which same name exist in Ireland, New Zealand, Nigeria, and the United Kingdom, among other countries?	
30.	Which former Florida senator has been the US Secretary of State since 2025?	
31.	In 1976, Steve Wozniak and Ron Wayne were two of the three founders of a company that is now arguably the most valuable brand in the world. Who was the third founder ?	
32.	Titoism was the name given to the real socialist system of which country that no longer exists ?	
33.	Which international organization with a total of 22 member states was founded in Cairo in 1945, where the organization is still based today?	
34.	What is the name , consisting of only one word, of the party "La République En Marche" founded by Emmanuel Macron in 2016 since 2022? It is abbreviated to RE, which is also the abbreviation of the Renew Europe group in the European Parliament, to which it belongs.	
35.	With 188 seats, which political group , consisting mainly of politicians from Christian-conservative parties, is the largest in the European Parliament?	
36.	The French phrase "Je maintiendrai," which translates as "I will stand firm," is the official motto of which European country where French is not the official language? The motto is also depicted in the coat of arms of the country in question.	

37.	This national currency exists as the 'North Korean XX' and the 'South Korean XX'. What does ' XX ' stand for here?	
38.	In which city in northern Brazil did the United Nations Climate Change Conference take place in 2025?	
39.	In which country has the gourde, divided into 100 centimes, been used as currency for over 200 years? François-Dominique Toussaint Louverture is depicted on the current 20-gourde note.	
40.	Hamad bin Isa al Khalifa declared himself king in 2002, making him the first person with this title to rule over which country ?	
41.	What is the name of a long-secret CIA research program on the possibilities of mind control involving thousands of human experiments conducted from 1953 to the 1970s? One of the goals of the research program was to develop a truth serum.	
42.	What is the name of a form of government that is used as a derogatory term for a democracy in which the masses selfishly assert their interests? The Greek historian Polybius first used the term in ancient times. The name of the form of government is derived from the ancient Greek terms for "mob" and "rule."	
43.	Which oil and natural gas company is Norway's largest and, according to Forbes magazine, the most valuable company in the Nordic countries?	
44.	Which long-serving prime minister of Bangladesh was sentenced to death by a court in November 2025? Because she now lives in exile in India, it is considered unlikely that the sentence will be carried out.	
45.	Patna is the capital of which Indian state in the northeast of the country with a population of over 104 million, which is considered the least developed state in India according to the Human Development Index?	

46.	From 1990 to 2004, which country's flag was this? 	
47.	Under what pseudonym , which is a Japanese name, is the inventor of the cryptocurrency Bitcoin known? To this day, the identity of the inventor of Bitcoin remains unknown.	
48.	Which US professor was the first woman to win the Nobel Prize in Economics in 2009? She was honored for showing "how common property can be successfully managed by user organizations."	
49.	From independence in 1991 until his death in 2016, Islom Karimov was the first president in the history of which country ?	
50.	Who became the only woman to hold the office of Australian Prime Minister in 2010 and was also the first person in office after the end of World War II who was not born in Australia?	

ARTS and CULTURE



51 The picture shows a self-portrait by which **important German Renaissance artist**, who was born in Nuremberg in 1471?






52. In which **architectural style**, which was predominant in Europe from the mid-12th century to around 1500, were Cologne Cathedral and Ulm Minster, which had the highest church tower in the world until October 2025, built in Germany? Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris was also built in this architectural style.


53. **What kind of art** does the MoMA museum in New York City mainly display, according to its name?

54. Jainism and Sikhism are two religions that originated **in which country** and have the most followers there?

<p>55.</p>	<p>What is the name of the traditional head covering worn by Jewish men shown in the picture?</p> 	
<p>56</p>	<p>In which city did a museum building designed by French architect Jean Nouvel open in 2017, which is allowed to bear the name "Louvre" for 30 years? In return for the naming rights, the Louvre in Paris will receive 400 million euros.</p>	
<p>57</p>	<p>St. Catherine's Monastery is one of the oldest Christian monasteries in the world and houses the sanctuary of the "Burning Bush." At the foot of which mountain is St. Catherine's Monastery located?</p>	
<p>58.</p>	<p>This image by Banksy reinterprets the painting "The Japanese Bridge." Which artist painted the original "The Japanese Bridge"?</p> 	
<p>59.</p>	<p>The Cecchetti method, the English method, the Vaganova method, and the Balanchine method are methods for learning which form of dance?</p>	
<p>60.</p>	<p>Which Swiss architectural firm designed the Allianz Arena in Munich and the Elbphilharmonie in Hamburg, among other buildings? In 2001, the architectural firm won the Pritzker Prize.</p>	

61.	Which worldview , which denies the validity of any system of knowledge, values, or social order, was also popularized by the German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche?	
62.	<p>What is the name of this art form, which consists of colorfully painted ceramic tiles and is particularly widespread in Portugal and Spain?</p> 	
63.	In 2025, the Museum Wiesbaden was visited by thousands of young people who not only exchanged friendship bracelets there, but above all wanted to see a painting by Friedrich Heyser created around 1900. Which character from Shakespeare's Hamlet is depicted in it?	
64.	From which kingdom , whose ruler is called Oba, do numerous bronze sculptures originate that were sold as looted art to Europe and the USA at the end of the 19th century? In 2022, Germany signed an agreement with Nigeria on the return of the artworks in the possession of German museums.	
65.	What are the mostly dome-shaped structures in Buddhism called that serve as religious monuments, often contain relics, and are places of meditation and worship? They are circled clockwise by Buddhists in a ritual called pradakshina.	
66.	Which language family , with around 300 million speakers, includes languages such as Hawaiian, Malay, and Javanese?	


<p>67.</p>	<p>The Museo Soumaya displays works by Salvador Dalí, Auguste Rodin, Tintoretto, and others, and is one of the 30 most visited museums in the world. In which city is the Museo Soumaya located?</p> 	
<p>68.</p>	<p>The Cueva de los Manos is known for its images of hands, which were created between around 7300 BC and 700 AD. In which country is it located?</p> 	
<p>69.</p>	<p>In Greek mythology, which nymph and daughter of the river god Peneios was transformed into a laurel tree to save her from being raped by Apollo?</p>	
<p>70.</p>	<p>The Heidelberg School is an Impressionist art movement that was significant in the 19th century in which country and also originated in that country?</p>	
<p>71.</p>	<p>The Korean alphabet Hangeul is not only used to write Korean, but also which endangered language spoken by only a few thousand native speakers on an island south of Korea?</p>	
<p>72.</p>	<p>What term is used in Japanese Kabuki theater to describe male actors who play female roles?</p>	

73.	The Turkish painter Osman Hamdi Bey is particularly known for his painting "Kaplumbağa Terbiyecisi", which was long considered the most expensive painting by a Turkish painter. It shows a man who, according to the title, trains which animals , five of which are also depicted?	
74.	Which American artist , known for his "space-light installations," won the 2021 Praemium Imperiale in the "Sculpture" category? Here you can see one of his light installations at the Dornier Museum in the German city of Friedrichshafen. 	
75.	Which Bantu language , spoken by about four million people in northern Angola, is best known for lending the word "zombie" to English from the term "nzumbe"?	

Literature and Media

76.	Which German poet (1749–1832) is known for dramas such as "Faust: A Tragedy" and "Iphigenia in Tauris"?	
77.	Which book was written between June 12, 1942, and August 1, 1944, mostly in the rear building at Prinsengracht 263 in Amsterdam?	
78.	In which novel by George Orwell , who coined the term "Big Brother," is a totalitarian surveillance society described?	
79.	In which European country is William Shakespeare's tragedy "Hamlet" set?	
80.	Which English term stands for "XX" in various newspapers? "The XX of India," "The Sunday XX," and "The New York XX."	

81.	Which poet of the ancient Roman Empire wrote the epic poem "Aeneid" and became an important figure in Dante Alighieri's "Divine Comedy" over 1,000 years after his lifetime?	
82.	What kind of creatures are "The Nearly Headless Nick," "The Fat Friar," and "Moaning Myrtle" in the Harry Potter novels?	
83.	Which manga series written by Eiichiro Oda, which tells the adventures of the Straw Hat Pirates led by Monkey D. Luffy, is considered the most successful manga comic in the world?	
84.	Which literary prize , awarded since 1952, is the most lucrative prize for a book or author worldwide, with prize money of €1,000,000? The literary prize in question is awarded in the Spanish-speaking world.	
85.	Which character in "Peanuts" is Charlie Brown's younger sister? The first name is sufficient as an answer.	
86.	Who is missing from this list of the five Istari from the world of author J.R.R. Tolkien? Saruman, Radagast, Alatar, and Pallando.	
87.	After an eight-year hiatus, Dan Brown published another book in 2025 featuring symbology professor Robert Langdon as the main character. What is the name of the novel , which is largely set in the Czech capital Prague?	
88.	What is probably the most important work and only known work by the Indian writer Vatsyayana Mallanaga? The work was probably written between 200 and 300 AD.	
89.	The "Book of Songs," the "Book of Documents," the "Book of Changes," the "Book of Rites," and the "Annals of Spring and Autumn" are often referred to as "The Five Classics" and are among the cornerstones of the literature of which country ?	
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91.	The non-fiction books "Prisoners of Geography" and "The Power of Geography" are the two most successful works by which British journalist ? The books describe the effects of geography on global political conditions.	
92.	Which Russian writer died in Astapovo in 1910? In 1918, the town was named after the writer in question and still bears his name today.	

93.	Which Canadian media theorist (1911–1980) coined the famous phrase "The medium is the message" and analyzed the effects of media on perception and society?	
94.	<p>What is the name of the American online streamer who was the first to reach 20 million followers on the Twitch platform with his channel?</p> 	
95.	Which prize has been awarded by the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America since 1965 for the best literary works in the fantasy and science fiction genres? At the first award ceremony, Frank Herbert won in the "Best Novel" category with "Dune."	
96.	In addition to Nigerian Wole Soyinka, Egyptian Nagib Mahfuz, South Africans Nadine Gordimer and J. M. Coetzee, and Tanzanian Abdulrazak Gurnah, which writer born in the French city of Nice in 1940 can also be considered an African Nobel Prize winner in literature, as he holds both French and Mauritian citizenship?	
97.	Which birds appear in the titles of a fantasy series by Leigh Bardugo and a novel published in 2006 by Kenyan writer Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o?	
98.	Translated, its name means "information." Which is the oldest Persian-language daily newspaper in the world and the oldest newspaper still published in Iran, in which the 1980 Pulitzer Prize-winning photograph "Firing Squad in Iran" was published?	
99.	Books sometimes contain sticky notes or stamps that serve to identify the owner. What is the Latin term for these?	
100.	What is the name of the creatures invented by the Finland-Swedish writer Tove Jansson, which resemble hippopotamuses in appearance and whose stories are told in nine books published between 1945 and 1970?	

Music		
101.	Which German composer , born in Bonn in 1770, is best known for his nine symphonies? Since 1985, part of his Ninth Symphony has been the official anthem of the European Union.	
102.	The culture surrounding which music genre in Berlin was added to UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list in 2024? Berlin is known for its many nightclubs featuring music from this genre, such as the "Berghain."	
103.	Which German band from Düsseldorf, one of the pioneers of electro-pop and responsible for works such as "Autobahn," was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2021?	
104.	Jazz musicians Louis Armstrong, Miles Davis, and Dizzy Gillespie all became famous for playing which instrument ?	
105.	Which country won the Eurovision Song Contest in 1970 with "All Kinds of Everything" by Dana, in 1980 with "What's Another Year?" by Johnny Logan, and in 1996 with "The Voice" by Eimear Quinn? The country has won the music competition seven times in total.	
106.	The Germans Arp Schnitger, Gottfried Silbermann, and Karl Joseph Riepp were known for building which musical instrument consisting of pipes and registers?	
107.	The stage name of which successful Colombian musician comes from Arabic and translates as "The Grateful One"?	
108.	Which British actor , born in 1988, was the protagonist in the music videos for Ed Sheeran's songs "Lego House" (2011) and "A Little More" (2025)? Like Ed Sheeran, the actor is known for his red hair.	
109.	Which animal is found in both the name of a 1977 studio album by rock singer Meat Loaf and in an operetta by Johann Strauss (son), which premiered in 1874?	

110.	Which American rapper , one of the most important representatives of East Coast hip hop with songs such as "Hypnotize" and "Juicy," was shot dead in Los Angeles in 1997 at the age of only 25?	
111.	Drummer Joey Waronker, bassist Andy Bell, and guitarist Gem Archer currently play in which successful band , which was founded in 1991?	
112.	Which musical , set in the 1920s, begins with dancer Roxie Hart murdering her lover Fred Casely? The musical is the second most frequently performed musical on Broadway.	
113.	Which Latin American dance in two-four time is also considered the national dance of the Dominican Republic? Since 2005, November 26 has been the national day of this dance in the Dominican Republic, which is celebrated with numerous festivals.	
114.	Which Spanish singer released the album Lux in 2025, which was enthusiastically received by music critics and on which she sings in 13 different languages? In the pre-released single "Berghain," which was created in collaboration with Björk, she sings mostly in German.	
115.	Kevin Parker is the founder and frontman of which Australian psychedelic rock band that enjoyed worldwide success with the album "Deadbeats" in 2025 and the album "Currents" in 2015? Kevin Parker plays all the instruments himself in the studio.	
116.	From which cycle of six symphonic poems does the composition "The Moldau" by Czech composer Bredrich Smetana originate?	
117.	Whose "sisters" urge listeners to turn on the radio in their 1992 hit "Hello"? Otherwise, the answer would be more likely to be found in the previous category.	
118	Which opera by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is about a Cretan king who wants to sacrifice his son to the god "Nettuno" after the Trojan War? The opera premiered in 1781 at the "Residenztheater" in Munich.	
119.	Sophia Laforteza from the Philippines, Manon Bannerman from Switzerland, and Yoonchae Jeong from South Korea are three of the six members of which international girl group ? In 2025, the group reached the top of the charts in many countries with the song "Gabriela."	
120.	What word is used in music to indicate that the volume should gradually be increased? The symbol < is also often used for this purpose.	

121.	What was the stage name of Jahseh Dwayne Ricardo Onfroy, whose albums include 17 and "?" and who was the third most streamed artist on Spotify in 2018 behind Drake and Post Malone? This is probably also due to his murder in the same year at the age of only 20.	
122.	Which band, abbreviated as PiL , was founded in 1978 by punk legend John Lydon shortly after The Sex Pistols broke up, where he had previously been the lead singer under the stage name Johnny Rotten?	
123.	Which Belgian female DJ , born in Ghent in 1992, is currently ranked ninth in DJMag's list of the world's 100 best DJs as the best female DJ? Her songs include "No Division" and "High Street."	
124.	Which music festival in the Moroccan capital Rabat was reportedly attended by 3.75 million people in 2025? This would make it the largest music festival in the world, ahead of the Danube Island Festival in Vienna.	
125.	"You'll Never Walk Alone" is known today as a song sung by fans before games in stadiums such as Borussia Dortmund and Liverpool FC. But originally, "You'll Never Walk Alone" was the final song in which 1945 musical by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II?	