



GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. What colour are the seats in the House of Lords?
2. What colour are the seats in the House of Commons?
3. Which is the largest central London park?
4. Where was the Royal Mint until 1810?
5. Who was known as “The Lady with the Lamp”?
6. Which famous building do Beefeaters guard?
7. What is the official residence of the British Prime Minister, which is located in London?
8. Policemen are sometimes referred to as “bobbies” after the person who founded the modern police force. Who was he?
9. Who is the patron saint of England?
10. Who is the patron saint of Wales?
11. Who is the patron saint of Scotland?
12. Who is the patron saint of Northern Ireland?
13. What was slowed by a flock of starlings in 1949 and snow in 1962, then stopped by mechanical problems once in 1976 and twice in 1997?
14. Which bridge on the Thames is closest to the Tower of London?
15. In which year did the “Titanic” sink?
16. In which city was the first underground train line opened in 1863?
17. Which organisation was founded by Robert Baden-Powell in 1908?
18. Which British car-makers introduced the legendary Silver Ghost in 1906?
19. What is the smallest British bird?
20. What is the formal title of the daughter of an earl, marquis or duke in the UK?
21. What is the official residence of the Chancellor of the Exchequer?

22. What do the initials SAS stand for?
23. How is the Central Criminal Court in England and Wales commonly known?
24. Which liner sank off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland in April 1912?
25. In which year was summer time introduced in the UK?
26. What colour are the Buckingham Palace gates?
27. What famous column stands in the centre of Trafalgar Square?
28. When is St George's Day celebrated?
29. When is St David's Day celebrated?
30. When is St Andrew's Day celebrated?
31. When is St Patrick's Day celebrated?
32. How should Yorkshire pudding be served correctly?
33. When is All Saints' Day?
34. Which London park is famous for its Speaker's Corner?
35. How is a public park in the centre of Edinburgh called?
36. In which London square is the National Gallery located?
37. What is the largest castle in Wales and the second largest in Britain after Windsor Castle?
38. How many Popes have been English?
39. In which city is New Scotland Yard?
40. What is the Welsh name for Wales?
41. In which city is the Bodleian Library located?
42. Which English university city is famous for its Backs?
43. In which cathedral was Horatio Nelson buried?
44. In which church can the Coronation Chair and Poets' Corner be found?
45. In which parliamentary House is the woolsack?
46. How is Friday before Easter called?
47. How is the day before Good Friday called?

48. What is the highest British civil decoration for bravery?
49. On which river is Hampton Court Palace located?
50. Which naturalist and author founded Jersey's Zoological Park?
51. In which university city can the world's first university museum, the Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology, be found?
52. In which year was Heathrow Airport opened to passengers?
53. How are the ceremonial yeoman warders at the Tower of London called?
54. Which Scottish lake is famous for its monster?
55. In which year did the UK join the European Economic Community?
56. When is the Christian feast of All Saints' Day celebrated?
57. Which passenger liner struck an iceberg and sank near Newfoundland on its first voyage?
58. Which British environmental group was formed in 1971?
59. What is the official name of Great Britain?
60. What is the national emblem of Scotland?
61. How is a special dish which is served at the most important Scottish holiday called?
62. How is the Scottish New Year's Eve called?
63. What famous ancient monument can be found in the South of England?
64. Which simplified form of the English language has a vocabulary of 850 words?
65. What is the national flower of England?
66. What is the national flower of Wales?
67. What is the national emblem of Northern Ireland?
68. Who is a national personification of Britain in general and England in particular, especially in political cartoons and similar graphic works?
69. How is the British flag often called?
70. What is the national currency of the UK?

71. Which part of the UK is not represented in the Union Jack?
72. The flag of which part of the UK features a dragon?
73. What do the first footers traditionally carry in their hands when visiting a house for the first time in the New Year in Scotland?
74. What is the biggest bell in Britain?
75. How is the day after Christmas called?
76. How is Santa Claus supposed to visit each house on Christmas Eve?
77. What does the BBC stand for?
78. What are black cats believed to bring?
79. Where can the Whispering Gallery be found?
80. What is exhibited in Madame Tussaud's museum?
81. What is the official London residence and principal workplace of the British monarch?
82. Where have almost all British kings and queens been crowned since 1066?
83. Who was London founded by?
84. How is the dialect or accent of the natives of the East End of London called?
85. What is the oldest part of London?
86. Who sits on the woolsack in the British Parliament?
87. At what age does compulsory schooling in Great Britain begin?
88. How is the London Underground commonly called?
89. Why is an English policeman called "a bobby"?
90. What place in London is known worldwide as "the home of time"?
91. How is Northern Ireland also called?
92. What nickname does London have?
93. What is the state system of the UK?
94. What is the highest mark in British schools?
95. Whom does charity organization RSPCA help?
96. What traditional song is usually performed on a British birthday party?

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97. What colour are the taxis in London?
 98. What is a quid?
 99. Which pudding, traditionally eaten with roast beef, has the same name as an English county?
 100. Which University was only for men until 1871?
 101. Which UK government department is responsible for immigration and passports, drugs policy, crime, counter-terrorism and policing?
 102. How is the eve of All Saints' Day commonly known?
 103. Which plant is St Patrick said to have adopted as a symbol of the holy trinity?
 104. Which day of the week is named after the Roman god of agriculture?



GEOGRAPHY

1. Which English cathedral town shares its name with the first US president to be assassinated?
2. Which British town did the Romans call Aquae Sulis?
3. What is the highest mountain in the British Isles?
4. What is the most southerly point on mainland Great Britain?
5. What is the highest mountain in Wales?
6. What is the largest natural lake in England?
7. What is the largest lake in Great Britain?
8. Which island is separated from the mainland of England by the Solent?
9. What is the capital of England?
10. What is the capital of Wales?
11. What is the capital of Scotland?
12. What is the capital of Northern Ireland?
13. By which river is The Isle of Dogs bounded on three sides?
14. How is the narrow channel between the mainland of Scotland and the Orkney Islands called?
15. What is the longest river in the UK?
16. Which Welsh city lies at the mouth of the river Taff and has a suburb called Tiger Bay?
17. Which county is often called the Garden of England?
18. What is the longest river in Scotland?
19. What is the largest city in Scotland?
20. What is the biggest lake in the British Isles?
21. What is the largest natural lake in Wales?
22. What separates Great Britain from the mainland in the South?
23. How are the North Sea and the English Channel often called?
24. How is the warm ocean current washing Britain's western shores called?
25. What is the deepest river in Great Britain?

26. Which part of the United Kingdom is the most densely populated?
27. Which tunnel near Dover links England to Europe?
28. Which hills mark the boundary between England and Scotland?
29. What is the longest and the most important Scottish river?
30. Which three main regions is Scotland divided into?
31. In which part of Scotland does the most of the population live?
32. What are the largest cities in Scotland?
33. What is the second largest Scottish loch?
34. What strait separates Great Britain from France?
35. What sea separates Great Britain from Belgium and Holland?
36. What sea separates Great Britain from Ireland?
37. Which English cities have the greatest concentration of population?
38. Where is the Lake District situated?
39. How many parts does the United Kingdom consist of?
40. What is the highest mountain in England?
41. What English city is known as “steel city”?
42. What is Scotland washed by?
43. What river does Liverpool stand on?
44. What is the climate of the UK?
45. Which three rivers flow through Cardiff into the Bristol Channel?
46. Which city does the river Clyde flow through?
47. What waterway in north-western Scotland links the Atlantic Ocean to the North Sea?
48. What is the longest river in England and the second longest in the United Kingdom?
49. Which sea lies between the St George’s Channel and North Channel?
50. In which mountain range is Ben Nevis?
51. In which county can lake Windermere be found?
52. Which group of islands is separated from the northern tip of Scotland by the Pentland Firth?
53. Which firth lies between southwest Scotland and northwest England?
54. How are the canals in Cambridge called?
55. What river does Cambridge stand on?
56. Which island is separated from mainland Wales by the Menai Strait?



HISTORY AND ROYALTY

1. When was Queen Elizabeth II crowned in Westminster Abbey?
2. When did Diana, Princess of Wales, die?
3. In which year were parts of Buckingham Palace opened for the general public to view?
4. When did the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, later the Queen Mother, take place?
5. In which year did Captain Thomas Blood make an unsuccessful attempt to steal Crown Jewels from the Tower of London?
6. Who was given the title “Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland and Ireland” in 1653?
7. Who led the Peasants’ Revolt in England in 1381?
8. Against which country did England fight during the Hundred Years War?
9. What are the other three Christian names of Prince Charles?
10. Of whom did French President Mitterand say “She has the eyes of Caligula and the mouth of Monroe”?
11. Which MP’s maiden name was Margaret Hilda Roberts?
12. Who is the only British politician to have been granted honorary US citizenship?
13. Which political party in Britain developed from the Whig Party?
14. Who was the second wife of Henry VIII?
15. Who was the first woman to be awarded the British Order of Merit in 1907?
16. How many wives did Henry VIII have?
17. What document was signed and sealed in June 1215?
18. In which year did Sir Winston Churchill die?
19. In which year did the Profumo affair and the Great Train Robbery happen?
20. Which member of the royal family holds the title Earl of Inverness?
21. Which monarch was referred to as being “the wisest fool in Christendom”, “the Solomon of England”, “the Second Solomon”, “the Scottish Solomon”?

22. Which monarch founded Eton College?
23. Which two countries were involved in The Hundred Years War?
24. In which year was the Great Fire of London?
25. Who was the last monarch to reign under the House of Lancaster?
26. Which British monarch was married to Mary of Teck (the grandmother of Queen Elizabeth II)?
27. By what name is the period 1811 – 1820 known in Britain?
28. Who succeeded William IV in 1837?
29. What was the name of Nelson's flagship at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805?
30. How is Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon better known?
31. What were Sir Winston Churchill's middle names?
32. Which king's eldest son was the Black Prince?
33. Which British queen married Prince George of Denmark?
34. Which school did Prince William first attend in September 1995?
35. Which king of England is famous for having six wives?
36. Who became synonymous with the Gunpowder Plot?
37. What party did Margaret Thatcher become a leader of in 1975?
38. Who is above a baron and below an earl in the British peerage?
39. When did the Norman Conquest take place?
40. By what name did William of Normandy become known?
41. Which English king was defeated by William the Conqueror at the Battle of Hastings?
42. How long did the Battle of Hastings last?
43. Who was the last person to invade England?
44. Where was William the Conqueror crowned?
45. The daughter of which king was the first to bear the title Princess Royal?
46. What are the closest attendants of the Queen called?
47. Who married Catherine of Aragon in 1509?
48. What is the official name for the British royal family?
49. Who was the mother of Queen Elizabeth I?
50. Which king of England was forced to accept the Magna Carta in 1215?

51. Which English king proclaimed himself the head of the church in 1531?
52. What was the last name of Queen Elizabeth I?
53. What material was banned after the 1745 Jacobite rebellion until 1782?
54. Which flower was the emblem of the house of York in the Wars of the Roses?
55. Which flower was the emblem of the house of Lancaster in the Wars of the Roses?
56. Which British navigator introduced tobacco and potato to Europe?
57. How is a failed assassination attempt against King James I of England and VI of Scotland called?
58. Who was the queen of the United Kingdom from 20 June 1837 until her death in 1901?
59. Who was the first Stuart King of England and Ireland?
60. Who was a hero to the English but a pirate to the Spaniards?
61. Who was the first Englishman to sail around the world?
62. Who was the first Tudor monarch?
63. How was the protest against Henry VIII's break with the Roman Catholic Church called?
64. Whom did Queen Elizabeth II marry in 1947?
65. What is the full name of Queen Elizabeth II?
66. Who was the queen of England for less than two weeks in 1553?
67. Which admiral led Britain to victory in the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805, during which he was shot and killed?
68. Which monarch's last words were "Let not poor Nelly starve"?
69. Which Scottish city was the place of the assassination of James I?
70. Which London Royal Residence was completely redesigned by the British architect John Nash for George IV?
71. Who was the last Stuart monarch?
72. Which king of England was nicknamed the Lionheart?
73. What was the name of the ruling dynasty of Scotland from 1371 to 1714?