

The *braintrust* Quiz Users Guide

Whether you are organising an office quiz, a pub quiz, or a community quiz, this guide is here to help you make sure your event is a huge success!

In our quiz pack you should have

- A Question Sheet and an Answer Sheet for the Quizmaster's use.
- Answer sheets for quiz teams.
- Our Picture Round (to be distributed at the start of the quiz).

Before the Quiz Practicalities

- Choose a date, time and venue for your quiz.
- Check the venue has the equipment you will need (PA system, microphone, table for the quizmaster and teams etc.).
- Choose your quizmaster, and make sure they have a dry run of asking the questions first.
- Prepare all your handouts – the quiz pack has been made adaptable so that you can include personalise it and add any special touches like company logo etc.
- Make sure you have plenty of copies of the blank answer-sheets, pens etc.
- Decide on how many people you will allow per team.
- Decide on an entrance fee (per person or per team).
- Decide how you are going to mark the quizzes e.g. teams swapping sheets or all marked by the quiz master.
- Finalise the quiz format (timing of breaks, how long you will allow per round etc.).
- Work out some ways to advertise the quiz. Perhaps make some posters or mention it in your work newsletters, websites, emails, and social media announcements etc.
- Sourcing Prizes. Ask around your local independent shops, restaurants etc. for free prizes/gift vouchers. Alternatively you could offer a cash prize taken from the entrance fees.
- If you are holding your quiz in a pub, you could ask for a free round of drinks and vouchers for their restaurant as a prize (if appropriate). A bottle of fizz and a box of chocolates is always a good and cost effective prize.

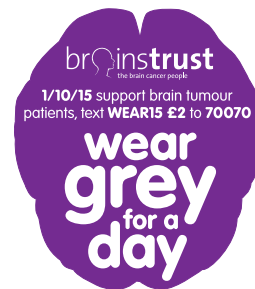
On the Quiz Night

Announce that the quiz will be beginning shortly and ensure that all teams have pens, answer sheets and have paid.

Briefly outline the format of the quiz – e.g. will repeat the questions twice and then again at the end of the round, number of rounds, and that the Quizmaster's word is final! Make a note of all the team names.

After the Quiz

Quizmaster will announce the results. If there is a tie – use our tie breaker question, closest to the number wins. The possibilities for your quiz are endless– just remember the main focus is to have FUN whilst raising vital funds for *braintrust*!



***braintrust* Quiz Question Sheet**

Rounds

- **Picture Round – to be circulated at beginning of quiz.**
- **Words and Numbers.**
- **Song Lyrics.**
- **Names.**
- **Top Fives.**
- **Kings and Queens.**
- **Blockbusters.**
- **General Knowledge.**
- **Tiebreakers (if required).**

Words and Numbers (1 mark for each correct answer)

- What is the only English word ending in – mt?
- In the song 12 Days of Christmas which gift were there twelve of?
- What connects these words, other than beginning with s – spine, soak, sash, steak, slime?
- How many property squares are there on a Monopoly board?
- What word can go before beans, quartet and vest?
- How many Grand Slam singles titles has Andy Murray won?
- What connects the words Wise, Large, Ball, Herring and French?
- What are the next two letters in the sequence OTTFSS?
- What word represents J in UK police radio communications?
- What day of the week would it be 100 days after Monday?

Song Lyrics (1 mark for each correct answer)

The following are all lines from famous songs. Identify what song each lyric comes from (just the song, not the artist).

- When you look under the rocks and plants, and take a glance at the fancy ants.
- Said I'll always be a friend, took an oath I'm a stick it out 'til the end.
- The five years we had have been such good times, I still love you.
- Bring me my bow of burning gold, bring me my arrows of desire!
- What do you think about that, now you know how I feel. Say you can handle my love, are you for real?
- Waits at the window, wearing the face that she keeps in a jar by the door.
- When will that be, say the bells of Stepney.
- Cream coloured ponies and crisp apple strudels, doorbells and sleigh bells and schnitzel with noodles.
- She take my money when I'm in need, yeah she's a trifling friend indeed?
- And now it seems my only chance is giving up the fight. And how could I ever refuse, I feel like I win when I lose.

Names (1 mark for each correct answer)

What is the connection between these names? For example; John, Paul, Ringo, George and Pete.

Answer: all members of the Beatles.

- George, Matilda, Sophie, James, Charlie.
- Chris, Gregory, Jade, Mo, Jessica.
- Jordan, Jamie, Taylor, Pat, Nicky, Ashley.
- Catherine, Anthony, Tiger, Timothy, Henrietta.
- In this order: 1. Sophia 2. Emily 3. Lily 4. Olivia 5. Amelia.

Top Fives (1 mark for each correct guess – order not important)

Guess the 'Top 5' for each category. Only five guesses are allowed per question.

- Name the top five most common dog breeds in the UK (in any order).
- Name the top five all-time highest goal-scorers for the England men's football team (in any order).

Kings and Queens (1 mark for each correct match)

Tip for quizmaster; the answer sheets already have the kings/queens printed on them so you can just read the events out below. Allow discussion time once you've read the list.

Match the king/queen of England to the event that took place during his/her reign:

- The Gunpowder Plot.
- Signed the Magna Carta.
- The Great Fire of London.
- The Spanish Armada.
- The Third Crusade.
- The Suez Canal Opens.

Blockbusters (1 mark for each correct answer)

Tips for quizmaster; Read through each description twice and no more. Allow time in between for writing notes.

Listen carefully to the clues and identify which blockbuster film is described.

- I came out in 2009 and earned \$2.8 billion, more than any other film in history. I was directed by James Cameron. Sam Worthington and Sigourney Weaver starred in me, spending several days in a Hawaiian jungle to prepare for their roles. What blockbuster am I?
- I came out in 1997 and earned \$246 million. I was directed by John Woo. Nicholas Cage and John Travolta starred in me. My title is also an ice hockey term. What blockbuster am I?
- I came out in 1975 and earned \$470 million. I was directed by Steven Spielberg, who almost rejected my now-famous theme music for being 'too simple'. Richard Dreyfuss starred in me. What blockbuster am I?
- I came out in 2007 and earned \$710 million. I was directed by Michael Bay. Shia LaBeouf and Megan Fox starred in me and I was a children's toy franchise before I became a film. What blockbuster am I?
- I came out in 1988 and earned \$140 million. I was directed by John McTiernan. Bruce Willis starred in me and suffered permanent damage to his hearing due to gunshot noises. What blockbuster am I?

General Knowledge (1 mark for each correct answer)

- What would you do with a scotch bonnet?
- What was the name of Han Solo's ship?
- What is the lightest metal in the periodic table?
- What's the capital of Canada?
- In which month is St David's day?
- Which singer was known as the Man in Black?
- What chess piece only moves diagonally?
- Giraffes are renowned for being able to put something into their ears that most animals can't – what is it?
- Where would you find the Sea of Tranquility?
- Who, upon splitting from their partner, remarked 'at least I can wear high heels now!'

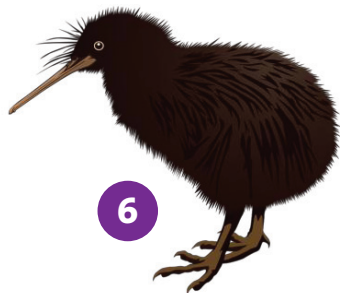
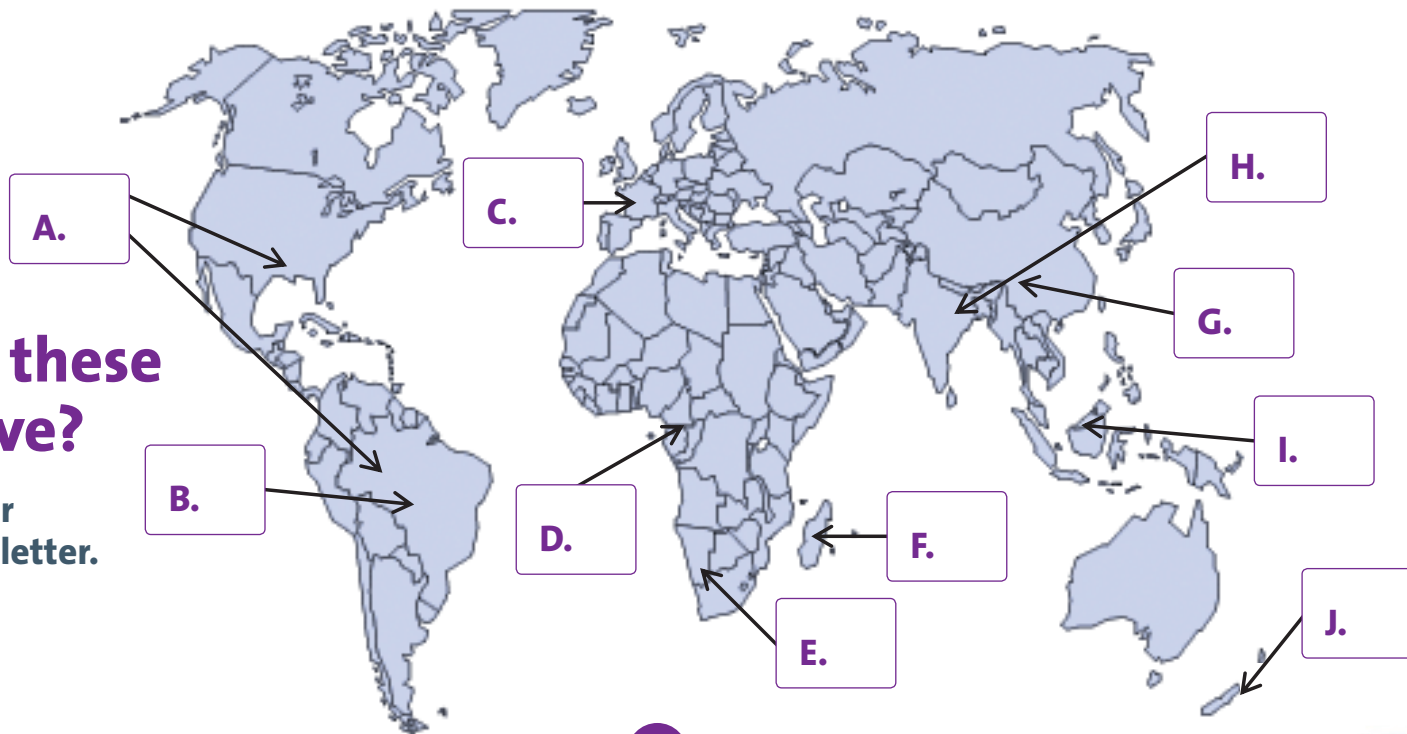
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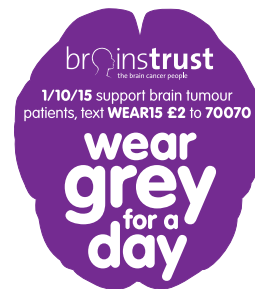
1. How many bones are there in an adult human body?
2. In what year did the first ever Tesco store open?



Where do these animals live?

Write the number next to the right letter.





brainstrust Quiz Answer Sheet

Picture Round (1 mark for each correct answer – no bonuses for naming animals or countries)

- **8** (Nine-Banded Armadillo, North/South America).
- **2** (Toucan, Amazon).
- **9** Common Adder (Europe).
- **3** (Gorilla, West Central Africa).
- **7** (Meerkat, Kalahari Desert).
- **1** (Lemur, Madagascar).
- **4** (Panda, China).
- **10** (Bengal Tiger, India).
- **5** (Orang Utan, Borneo and Sumatra).
- **6** (Kiwi, New Zealand).

Words and Numbers (1 mark for each correct answer)

- What is the only English word ending in –mt? **Dreamt.**
- In the song 12 Days of Christmas which gift were there twelve of? **12 Drummers Drumming.**
- What connects these words, other than beginning with s – spine, soak, sash, steak, slime? **If you take the s off they each spell the name of a tree.**
- How many property squares are there on a Monopoly board? **28 (22 coloured streets, 4 stations, 2 utilities).**
- What word can go before beans, quartet and vest? **String.**
- How many Grand Slam singles titles has Andy Murray won? – **2 (Wimbledon 2013, US Open 2012).**
- What connects the words Wise, Large, Ball, Herring and French? – **All are the 2nd names of comedians from comedy double acts – Morecambe & Wise, Little & Large, Cannon & Ball, Lee & Herring, French & Saunders.**
- What are the next two letters in the sequence OTTFSS? **EN (counting upwards – eight, nine).**
- What word represents J in UK police radio communications? **Juliet.**
- What day of the week would it be 100 days after Monday? **Wednesday.**

Song Lyrics (1 mark for each correct answer)

The following are all lines from famous songs. Identify what song each lyric comes from (just the song, not the artist).

- When you look under the rocks and plants, and take a glance at the fancy ants. **Bear Necessities (Jungle Book).**
- Said I'll always be a friend, took an oath I'm a stick it out 'til the end. **Umbrella (Rihanna).**
- The five years we've had have been such good times, I still love you. **Don't You Want Me (Human League).**
- Bring me my bow of burning gold, bring me my arrows of desire! **Jerusalem (popular hymn written by William Blake).**
- What do you think about that, now you know how I feel. Say you can handle my love, are you for real? **Wannabe (The Spice Girls).**

- Waits at the window, wearing the face that she keeps in a jar by the door. **Eleanor Rigby (The Beatles)**.
- When will that be, say the bells of Stepney. **Oranges and Lemons (traditional nursery rhyme)**.
- Cream coloured ponies and crisp apple strudels, doorbells and sleigh bells and schnitzel with noodles. **My Favourite Things (from The Sound of Music)**.
- She take my money when I'm in need, yeah she's a trifling friend indeed. **Golddigger (Kanye West)**.
- And now it seems my only chance is giving up the fight. And how could I ever refuse, I feel like I win when I lose. **Waterloo (Abba)**.

Names (1 mark for each correct answer)

What is the connection between these names?

- George, Matilda, Sophie, James, Charlie. **All are child protagonists in Roald Dahl books (eg George is from George's Marvellous Medicine)**.
- Chris, Gregory, Jade, Mo, Jessica. **All were British gold medal winners at the London 2012 Olympics – Chris Hoy, Gregory Rutherford, Jade Jones, Mo Farah, Jessica Ennis**.
- Jordan, Jamie, Taylor, Pat, Nicky, Ashley. **All can be either boy's or girl's names**.
- Catherine, Anthony, Tiger, Timothy, Henrietta. **An animal is spelled out within each name**.
- 1. Sophia 2. Emily 3. Lily 4. Olivia 5. Amelia. **The 5 most common names for baby girls at the moment (in order, Sophia being the most popular)**.

Top Fives (1 mark for each correct guess – order not important)

Guess the 'Top 5' for each category. Only five guesses are allowed per question.

- Name the top five most common dog breeds in the UK (in any order)? **(In order) it's Labrador, Jack Russell, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Border Collie and Cocker Spaniel (according to research by Petlog and AnimalCare who use electronic tagging data)**.
- Name the top five all-time highest goal-scorers for the England men's football team (in any order)? **(In order) it's Bobby Charlton, Gary Lineker, Wayne Rooney, Jimmy Greaves and Michael Owen**.

Kings and Queens (1 mark for each correct match)

Match the king/queen of England to the event that took place during his/her reign.

- **Elizabeth the 1st**. The Spanish Armada.
- **Richard the 1st**. The Third Crusade.
- **Victoria**. The Suez Canal Opens.
- **Charles the 2nd**. The Great Fire of London.
- **James the 1st**. The Gunpowder Plot.
- **John**. Signed the Magna Carta.

Blockbusters (1 mark for each correct answer)

- I came out in 2009 and earned \$2.8 billion, more than any other film in history. I was directed by James Cameron. Sam Worthington and Sigourney Weaver starred in me, spending several days in a Hawaiian jungle to prepare for their roles. What blockbuster am I? **Avatar**.
- I came out in 1997 and earned \$246 million. I was directed by John Woo. Nicholas Cage and John Travolta starred in me. My title is also an ice hockey term. What blockbuster am I? **Face/Off**.
- I came out in 1975 and earned \$470 million. I was directed by Steven Spielberg, who almost rejected my now-famous theme music for being 'too simple'. Richard Dreyfuss starred in me. What blockbuster am I? **Jaws**.
- I came out in 2007 and earned \$710 million. I was directed by Michael Bay. Shia LaBeouf and Megan Fox starred in me and I was a children's toy franchise before I became a film. What blockbuster am I? **Transformers**.
- I came out in 1988 and earned \$140 million. I was directed by John McTiernan. Bruce Willis starred in me and suffered permanent damage to his hearing due to gunshot noises. What blockbuster am I? **Die Hard**.

General Knowledge (1 mark for each correct answer)

- What would you do with a scotch bonnet? **Eat it, cook with it – it's a chilli.**
- What was the name of Han Solo's ship? **The Millennium Falcon.**
- What is the lightest metal in the periodic table? **Lithium.**
- What's the capital of Canada? **Ottawa.**
- In which month is St David's day? **March.**
- Which singer was known as the Man in Black? **Johnny Cash.**
- What chess piece only moves diagonally? **Bishop.**
- Giraffes are renowned for being able to put something into their ears that most animals can't – what is it? **Their tongue.**
- Where would you find the Sea of Tranquility? **On the Moon.**
- Who, upon splitting from their partner, remarked 'at least I can wear high heels now!' **Nicole Kidman (splitting from Tom Cruise).**

Total Possible Marks for Quiz = 66.

Tiebreakers (One of these questions to be used in the event of a tie – closest guess wins)

1. How many bones are there in an adult human body? **206.**
2. In what year did the first ever Tesco store open? **1929.**