

DPS VK Quiz Quiz Club Intra (August 2008)

1. The 1950 Football World Cup was held in Uruguay. It was the only time India qualified in the Football World Cup, yet the Indian team was not allowed to play. Why?
They did not have shoes, and the rules did not allow them to play barefoot.
2. In which country are 'Panama hats' made?
Ecuador
3. In Greek mythology, this person unknowingly killed his father and married his own mother. Who am I referring to?
Oedipus
4. Encyclopedia Britannica once described this person / place / thing as 'a public toilet'? Who / what am I referring to?
Wikipedia
5. 'Paws, Incorporated' was a company set up by a famous cartoonist. Name either the cartoonist or his most popular creation.
Jim Davis / Garfield (accept both)
6. David Evans is a member of the band U2, but he likes to be called by a different name. What is it?
'The Edge'
7. Members of this band were good friends of well-known author Douglas Adams. In fact, as a 'gift' on his 42nd birthday, they even let him perform with them on stage at a concert. Which band?
Pink Floyd
8. This famous actor studied electrical engineering from Newcastle University, and then did his MSc from The Queen's College, Oxford. His wife's name is Sunetra Sastry. Who am I talking about?
Rowan Atkinson, best known for his roles as 'Mr Bean'
9. In which movie would you come across the characters 'Left-Ear', 'Handsome Rob', 'Skinny Pete', and 'Napster' (a.k.a Lyle)?
The Italian Job (2003)
10. 'Bibendum' is the mascot of which organization / company?
Michelin Tyres
11. "All children, except one, grow up." Which famous book has these opening lines?
Peter Pan
12. Which city replaced Moscow as Russia's capital for more than 200 years?
St Petersburg / Leningrad / Petrograd
13. Of what materials were golf balls originally made?
Wood

14. In 2006, Texas-based Prodea Systems sponsored a space trip for one of its founders. Who am I talking about?
Anouseh Ansari, one of the founders of the X-Prize Foundation
15. What does the *erector pili* muscle do in the human body?
Give a person goosebumps. Nothing to do with, ah, certain extendable male appendages, which is what most people give as the answer to this question.
16. In which country's national flag do we see a representation of a Hindu temple?
Cambodia (the temple shown is Angkor Wat)
17. Which spice has the scientific name *curcuma longa*?
Turmeric
18. "I heard that you were talking shit / And you didn't think that I would hear it / People hear you talking like that, getting everybody fired up / So I'm ready to attack, gonna lead the pack / Gonna get a touchdown, gonna take you out / That's right, put your pom-poms down". Name the song and the singer.
'Hollaback Girl', by Gwen Stefani
19. *In The Line Of Fire* is whose autobiography?
Pervez Musharraf
20. Which famous author wrote the screenplay for the James Bond film *You Only Live Twice*?
Roald Dahl. (The funniest answer I've got for this one, EVER, is 'The Dude Who Died Thrice'.)
21. What is the official religion of Haiti?
Voodoo
22. After which European mountain range is a period of the earth's history named?
The Juras, after which the Jurassic Period is named.
23. Connect: a software company, a Tintin comic, a British sports car manufacturer.
Lotus (the Tintin comic in question is 'The Blue Lotus')
24. It was originally called 'an engine for digesting bones'. Which invention am I talking about?
Pressure cooker
25. The peacock was not the first choice as India's national bird. What was the first choice, and why was it dropped?
Great Indian Bustard. The idea was dropped because there was a possibility of it being mispronounced as 'Great India Bastard'.