

T I M E S O F I N D I A F U N - D A - M E N T A L Q U I Z 2 0 0 5

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Preliminary Rounds: 25 dry question, 3 visuals, 2 audio clips. Cut-off was 23, with 6 teams qualifying for the finals.

1. The 'Compton-Miller Medal' is awarded to the Man of the Series in the test series played by which two countries?
England-Australia (The Ashes)
2. What was Jawaharlal Nehru by profession?
Lawyer
3. What is India's internet country domain code?
.in
4. Over 90% of the dry weight of which part of our body is made up of proteins called 'keratins'? : Skin, Hair, or Bones
Skin
5. Which Sikh Guru was known as 'Bhai Jetha'?
Guru Ramdas
6. By whom was the symphony *Ode to Joy* written, later used at the Olympic ceremonies?
Ludwig van Beethoven
7. What is the official language of the Vatican City state? : English, Latin or Italian
Latin
8. In Tintin comics, who invented a pill from medical plants that could cure alcoholism?
Professor Calculus
9. In which recent movie has Toby Stephens played the role of Captain William Gordon?
The Rising – Mangal Pandey

10. Which Indian state produces nearly 1% of the world's total production of rice?
Punjab
11. Visual – Identify the bird.
Albatross
12. Visual – Identify him.
Sachin Pilot
13. Visual – Identify the flowers.
Tulips
14. Which UNESCO World Heritage Site serves as the headquarters of the Central Railways?
Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, Mumbai (also HQ of Western Railways)
15. Which is the oldest dance form of India?
Bharatnatyam
16. In medieval times, which of these was considered as a common symbol of indomitable pride and purity? : Phoenix, Unicorn, or Centaur
Unicorn
17. Which Indian festival is celebrated 20 days after Dusshera?
Diwali
18. Which of these actor's mother is not an MP? : Saif Ali Khan, Abhishek Bachchan, or Esha Deol
Esha Deol
19. With which Nobel Laureate would you associate the poems *Gunga Din* and *If*?
Rudyard Kipling
20. According to the Bhagvata Purana, which deity appeared (was born) from the forehead of Lord Brahma?
Lord Shiva
21. If a batsman hits a shot and takes 5 runs prior to the ball reaching the boundary, how many runs does he get? : 4, 5, or 9 runs
5 runs (controversial answer)
22. Which was the first city to host the Olympic Games twice? : London, Rome, Paris or Athens
Paris

23. Which animal, is second to insects in the animal population of the world?
Fish
24. Which Indian woman freedom fighter formed the 'Vanar Sena', a children's brigade to help freedom fighters during the 1930 movement?
Indira Gandhi
25. Which Indian state was known as 'Lushai Hills District', under the British?
Mizoram
26. If we write the official languages listed in our constitution in alphabetical order, which one would come first?
Assamese
27. Which bird is depicted on the national flag of Egypt?
Eagle
28. Which Roman Emperor invaded Britain in 54 BC by defeating the chief of the Britons, Cassivellaunus, in a battle near modern London and crossed the Thames?
Julius Caesar
29. Audio Clip – Identify the voice.
Mahatma Gandhi
30. Song – 'Just Chill' – Which film?
Maine Pyaar Kyun Kiya
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Final Rounds: Based on 'Freedom Format' (no rounds). Many questions were the same as those asked in Landmark Quiz 2005 (same quizmaster, Derek O' Brien). Finals proceeded in knock-out fashion.

Stage 1 (6 teams)

1. The largest state of Brazil is named after which river?
Amazon (state – Amazonas)
2. Audio Clip – 'Mangala Mangala' – Identify the singer.
Kailash Kher
3. Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1948, the year Mahatma Gandhi was nominated for the 5th time?
Nobody

4. In 2005, after which Indian was a tulip named?
Aishwarya Rai
5. Video Clip – Identify the animal.
Tapir
6. Which word game derives its name from the Greek for 'running back again'?
Palindrome
7. Why is a bullfrog called a 'bullfrog'?
Because of the sound it makes
8. John Farrington is the coach of which tennis player?
Sania Mirza
9. Still Photo – Identify the musical instrument.
Mandolin
10. Video Clip – Name of the music band.
Strings
11. Which popular folk dance of India is accompanied with songs which are small couplets called 'bolis'?
Bhangra
12. Audio Clip – Song from the movie *Paheli* – Identify the singers.
Sukhvinder Singh and Sunidhi Chauhan
13. Still Photo – Identify him.
King Fahd (of Saudi Arabia)
14. Which Indian author was a script writer for the BBC during the Second World War?
Mulk Raj Anand
15. In the human body, if 'dentin' is the inner layer, then what is the outer layer?
Enamel (referring to teeth)
16. Which two countries fought the 'Six-Day War' in 1967?
Israel and Egypt
17. Which sports item formed the basis of design for 'Space Ship One'?
Shuttlecock (Badminton)

18. Video Clip – Identify the person.
Antonio Banderas
19. Still Photo – Identify her.
Kim Sharma
20. The smallest National Park in India is the Guindy National Park.
Where is it located?
Chennai (Tamil Nadu)
21. Audio Clip – Identify the singer.
Kelly Clarkson
22. Which scientist became the head of the Radiological Service of the Red Cross during the First World War?
Marie Curie
23. Video Clip – Identify the cricketer.
Ian Bell
24. Which Indian Union Territory has the most number of districts?
Pondicherry (4 districts – Pondicherry, Mahe, Yanam, Karaikal)
25. Still Photo – Identify the creature.
Blackbuck
26. Audio Clip - Identify the band.
Asma
27. Which Indian scientist translated Albert Einstein's Theory of Relativity from German to English?
Satyendra Nath Bose
28. (Tie Breaker) Independence Day (15th August) is also the birthday of a famous Indian philosopher. Who?
Sri Aurobindo

Stage 2 (4 teams)

1. What is the 'Institute for Religious Works' at Vatican City?
A bank
2. How do we better know the 'Rashtriya Panchanga'?
The Hindu Calendar
3. Still Photo – Identify the cricketer.
Scott Styris

4. Video Clip – Breaking of the Berlin Wall – Which year did it take place?
1989
5. In whose memory did India rename its first weather satellite?
Kalpana Chawla
6. Who was the first woman to be awarded the Bharat Ratna?
Indira Gandhi
7. *Identity and Violence : The Illusion of Destiny* is the title of an upcoming book by which Indian?
Amartya Sen
8. Which are the only two ICSE affiliated schools in Delhi?
Sri Ram School and Frank Anthony Public School
9. According to a recent research, which ancient ruler died after falling off his chariot?
Tutenkhamen
10. Whom did George Harrison refer to as the 'Godfather of World Music'?
Pandit Ravi Shankar
11. Which actor was honoured by a postage stamp in his name by both England and USA in 1985 and 1994 respectively?
Charlie Chaplin
12. Still Photo – Identify the monument?
Victory Tower (Chittorgarh)
13. Audio clip – 'Mohabbatein Lutaunga' – Identify the singer?
Amit Sana
14. Video Clip – Identify the movie.
Raincoat
15. 'The Base', as it's called, runs terror in the hearts of all the law enforcement agencies across the world. What do we better know it?
Al-Qaeda
16. Movie Clip – Identify the old man.
Pablo Picasso
17. Which mammal makes up for 25% of the mammal population of the world?
Bats

Stage 3 (2 teams): Buzzer round

1. What constitutes 75% of the weight of a banana?
Water
2. According to the flag code of India, if the Indian flag is displayed vertically (officially), what colour should come at the right most?
Saffron
3. With which comic strip character would you associate the term 'Jungle Patrol'?
Phantom
4. What was made the official language of France by King Francis I in AD 1539?
French
5. Which was the first wing of the Armed Forces of India to induct women into combat duty?
Indian Air Force
6. Which foreigner, who came to India in AD 637, was called 'Moksha Deva' by the Indians?
Hiuen Tsang
7. Which country's national anthem is called the 'Rashtriya Gaan'?
Nepal