



March 2019 Mixed Bag Questions

1. How long is the average kangaroo at birth? a. 1 cm b. 2 cm c. 3 cm
2. Which Australian capital city is named after a Scientist, and what was its former name?
3. In what year did the Victorian Gold Rush begin?
4. Which Australian directed: *Driving Miss Daisy* ; *Puberty Blues*; *Breaker Morant* and *The Adventures of Barry MacKenzie*
5. What is meant by the word eviscerate?
6. In which Shakespearean play are the words "Out! Out Damned Spot!" uttered, and by who?
7. Which AFL team has taken out The Wooden Spoon the greatest number of times?
8. When Drew Barrymore starred in E.T. was she seven, eight or nine years old?
9. From what two words does Velcro get its name?
10. a. What is a talisman? b. What is the plural of talisman?

HARDER QUESTIONS:

11. Vendredi is French for which day of the week?
12. How old was Winston Churchill when he wrote *The History of the English Speaking Peoples*?
13. What exercise did Charles Dickens partake of to cure his chronic insomnia?
14. Anthony Quinn played Zorba The Greek in the 1964 film. Who was his male co-star?
15. What is the meaning of the word "kaddish"?
16. What does "BA Cantab" after a person's name signify?
17. Where is Football Mountain?

18. Who owns the website stuff.co.nz?

19. Who is credited with having invented the first robot, in the form of a steam-powered pigeon?



20. This is Polish pianist Andrzej Tchaikowsky. Although he died in 1982 he still makes guest appearances. Explain.

ANSWERS:

1. c. 3 cm
2. Darwin; Palmerston
3. 1851
4. Bruce Beresford
5. Disembowel
6. *Macbeth*; Lady Macbeth
7. St Kilda (27 times)
8. Eight
9. Velvet & Crochet
10. Lucky charm /amulet; talismans

HARDER:

11. Friday
12. 82
13. walking
14. Alan Bates
15. Jewish prayer for the dead.
16. They hold a Bachelor of Arts from Cambridge University
17. Antarctica
18. Fairfax Media (NZ)
19. Archytas of Tarentum
20. He bequeathed his skull to be used as Yorick in performances of Hamlet