



May 2021 Mixed Bag Questions

1. Which international celebrity was once mayor of the small coastal Californian town of Carmel?
2. Identify this movie, made in 1985, and starring Harrison Ford. A young Amish boy witnesses a murder.
3. Which was the first Australian city to introduce traffic lights? (1930)
4. What is the characteristic spice of traditional Hungarian Goulash?
5. (a) What do the initials "JK" stand for in the name of Harry Potter's creator JK Rowling?
(b) Is that her actual name?
6. In what year?
 - Melbourne's West Gate Bridge opens to traffic.
 - Last day of commercial whaling in Australia.
 - Former Australian Prime Minister Sir Robert Menzies dies; so does former singer and TV personality Johnny O'Keefe.
 - Songs include *Wings' Mull of Kintyre* and the Bee Gee's *Stayin Alive*.
7. Sir Malcolm Campbell and his son Donald gave all their record-breaking cars and boats the same name. What name?
8. Is a camel's gestation period longer or shorter than a human's?
9. According to climatologists, do cities generally experience more or less rain than the countryside around them?
10. Which city hosted the 2002 Olympic Winter Games?

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11. How many times has the maxi yacht *Wild Oats XI* achieved Line Honours in the Sydney-Hobart Race?
12. There are two Anakies in the list of Australian postcodes. In which states can you find them?

13. What is the English name for the city that some of its inhabitants call Kaapstad?
(*CARP-stad*)
14. The Mason-Dixon line, the notional boundary between the northern and southern states of the USA, was originally established as a boundary to settle a dispute between which three states?
15. The Norwegian explorer Amundsen was the first man to reach the South Pole. What was his Christian name?
16. Wahgunyah is a town on the Victorian bank of the Murray river. What New South Wales town lies on the opposite bank?
17. Aqua regia, which is capable of dissolving gold, is a mixture of two well-known strong acids. Name the two acids.
18. Which country's flag consisted of one colour (green) from 1977 to 2011?
19. In what unusual circumstances did Anatoly Karpov become World Chess Champion?
20. The Treble clef in music is also referred to by a letter of the alphabet. What letter?

(Answers next page)

ANSWERS:

1. Clint Eastwood
2. *Witness*
3. Melbourne
4. Paprika
5. (a) Joanne Kathleen
(b) No (Just Joanne – the “K” is for a grandmother)
6. 1978
7. Bluebird
8. Longer (by about four months)
9. more
10. Salt Lake City

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11. nine
12. Victoria and Queensland
13. Cape Town
14. Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland
15. Roald
16. Corowa
17. Hydrochloric acid & Nitric acid
18. Libya
19. He challenged reigning champion Bobby Fischer, who refused to play him
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