



# Irish Quiz Organisation

## IRISH OPEN 2016

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**Rules:**

The quiz consists of six written rounds, each of 40 questions. **All six rounds** count towards a player's overall score. The quiz is split in two halves, three rounds per half and with **60 minutes** allowed per half.

Where asked for a person's name, a surname will suffice, unless specifically asked for given or first names. Remember that a correct surname with an incorrect given or first name is a wrong answer!

This is not a spelling contest, so we will be reasonably lenient on spelling.

### First Half:

- **Art & Culture** (*history, philosophy, mythology, fine art etc.*)
- **Civilisation** (*human geography, cultures, religion, technology, current affairs etc.*)
- **Entertainment** (*music, literature, theatre, magazines, TV, radio, films etc.*)

### Second Half:

- Lifestyle (*health & fitness, celebrities, food & drink, fashion, handicrafts etc.*)
- Physical World (*physical geography, science, nature, flora & fauna etc.*)
- Sport & Games (*sport, hobbies & pastimes, hurling etc.*)

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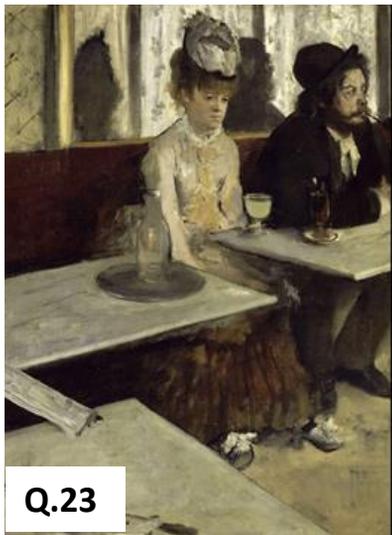
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| 1  | Born in 1887, <b>which famous architect's</b> body was found on a beach outside Monaco in 1968? It is believed he had a heart attack while swimming.  |  |
| 2  | <b>Which European city</b> has, since 1980, held a biennial architectural competition at the Giardini della Biennale?   |  |
| 3  | <b>How many syllables</b> are in a traditional Japanese haiku?  |  |
| 4  | Giambattista Basile (1566-1632), a Neapolitan writer's best know work, "Lo Cunto de li Cunti" (The Tale of Tales) is widely recognised as the first national collection of <b>what sort of works</b> ?                    |  |
| 5  | In Greek mythology, the Horae (Thallo, Auxo and Carpo) were <b>the goddessess of what</b> ?   |  |
| 6  | Taken in 1951, a copy of a photograph, signed by the subject, of <b>which very famous 20th century individual</b> sticking his tongue out, sold for \$75,000 at auction in 2009?  |  |
| 7  | As well as the title creature, in <b>which 1871 poem</b> are we told to "beware the Jubjub bird and shun the Frumious Bandersnatch"?  |  |
| 8  | In the famous 1966 painting, "The Son of Man" by Rene Magritte, <b>what fruit</b> obscures the face of the figure in the painting?  |  |
| 9  | <b>Which battle of 1805</b> is also known as the Battle of the Three Emperors?  |  |
| 10 | Usually referred to as the Securitate, the DSS was, from 1948 to 1991, the secret police agency of <b>which country</b> ?   |  |
| 11 | Mrs Norris, the clergyman's wife, the widowed Mrs Price and Lady Bertram, the lady of the titular residence are three of the main female characters in <b>which 1814 Jane Austen</b> novel?                               |  |
| 12 | <b>Which British architect's</b> (1869-1944) works include the Cenotaph in Whitehall, London, the Somme Memorial at Thiepval, much of the design of New Delhi and the War Memorial Gardens at Islandbridge, Dublin?       |  |
| 13 | The Roman poets Horace, Virgil and Ovid predominantly wrote during the reign of <b>which Roman Emperor</b> ? The first two died during his reign, the third just three years after his reign ended.                       |  |
| 14 | Proposed by General Winfield Scott, the Anaconda Plan was an important strategy in <b>which major conflict</b> ? Its aim was to strangle the opposition blockading ports and entry points, much like the eponymous snake. |  |
| 15 | Probably best known for his Canon in D, a favourite at weddings, <b>what is the given / first name</b> of the 17th century German composer Pachelbel?   |  |
| 16 | <b>Which title character</b> of a Robbie Burns poem gives his name to a light woollen hat still worn today by Scottish and Canadian army regiments?   |  |
| 17 | <b>Which US poet's</b> most famous work, 1855's Leaves of Grass, was initially criticised on release for its overt sensuality and explicit imagery?   |  |
| 18 | Spain's fourth largest city and its only river port, <b>from which city</b> did Ferdinand Magellan's five ships set sail in 1519 on the voyage that would ultimately result in the circumnavigation of the world?         |  |
| 19 | <b>Who</b> , according to the second book of Samuel, was the wife of Uriah the Hittite with whom David had an affair and ultimately married: their marriage resulting in the birth of Solomon?                            |  |
| 20 | Bought for nearly \$180m in 2015, the O-version of <b>what Pablo Picasso painting</b> is the most expensive artwork bought at public auction?   |  |
| 21 | <b>Which ancient Greek playwright</b> wrote Antigone and Oedipus Rex?   |  |
| 22 | <b>Which Germanic tribe</b> , who took their name from the peninsula which forms much of modern-day Denmark, invaded Britain in the 4th century AD, along with the Angles and Saxons?                                     |  |
| 23 | (Picture) Painted by Edgar Degas in 1876 and now on display in the Musee D'Orsey in Paris, this painting takes its name from <b>which alcoholic drink</b> ?   |  |
| 24 | Imogen is Shakepeare's 3rd longest role for a female character in terms of spoken lines. She is the daughter of the title character in <b>which historical play</b> set in ancient Britain?                               |  |

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| 25 | According to the classical version of the story, <b>which type of animal</b> was Hercules required to kill for his first labour?  |  |
| 26 | The rococco style and artistic movement developed in and is predominantly associated with <b>which century</b> ?  |  |
| 27 | Founded in 1951 by the Treaty of Paris, the ECSC was a forerunner to the European Economic Community. <b>What did ECSC stand for</b> in this context?   |  |
| 28 | During <b>which century</b> did Marco Polo spend 24 years travelling in Asia, the experience covered in his dictated work, "The Travels of Marco Polo"?   |  |
| 29 | Shah Jahan, probably best known for overseeing the construction of the Taj Mahal, was the ruler of <b>which empire</b> from 1628-58?  |  |
| 30 | During a skirmish with natives on <b>which island group</b> , was Captain James Cook killed in 1779?  |  |
| 31 | The loss of <b>which 18th century war</b> resulted in France losing its New World territories of Canada and Louisiana to Great Britain and Spain, respectively?   |  |
| 32 | The scene of a major military incident in 1964, <b>name either of the two countries</b> off which the Gulf of Tonkin is located?  |  |
| 33 | Caradog Prichard's "One Moonlit Night" (1961) was, following a recent online poll, voted <b>which country's</b> greatest ever novel?  |  |
| 34 | <b>Which hugely influential German philosopher</b> of the 18-19th centuries developed the principles of "absolute idealism" and the concept of the "master-slave dialectic"?  |  |
| 35 | <b>What name links</b> a grandson of Noah, according to Hebrew tradition, an Assyrian city taken by ISIS in 2013, reputed to be the location of the Tower of Babel and the ninth of Elgar's Enigma Variations - voted by the UK's Classic FM as the most popular piece played at UK funerals? |  |
| 36 | (Picture) Considered one of the great Renaissance sculptors, <b>which Italian</b> (1598-1690) sculpted the Borghese's gallery's famous "Apollo and Daphne" work showing Daphne mid-transformation into a laurel tree?   |  |
| 37 | One of the founders of the London School of Economics and a member of the Fabian Society, <b>which female economist and social reformer</b> coined the phrase, "collective bargaining"?   |  |
| 38 | <b>Which creature</b> from Persian mythology, with a name translating as "man-eater" had, like the Sphinx, the body of a lion, a human head, bat's wings, a scorpion tail and a bellowing or trumpet-like voice?  |  |
| 39 | In <b>which century</b> did El Cid (Rodrigo Diaz de Vivar) the Castillian military leader and hero live and die?  |  |
| 40 | Taken from the title character of an 1859 novel by Ivan Goncharov, <b>what name</b> is given to a type of "superfluous person", someone who floats through an uneventful life, seemingly incapable or never having to make an important decision?   |  |



**Q.23**



**Q.36**



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| 1  | What is the <b>national animal</b> of Scotland?  |  |
| 2  | <b>Which former CIA employee</b> now believed to be in asylum in Russia, gained notoriety in 2013 for releasing classified NSA information? He was the subject of the Oscar winning documentary, "Citizenfour".                                  |  |
| 3  | <b>Who assassinated</b> Martin Luther King Jr?   |  |
| 4  | <b>How long</b> , in years, is the presidential term in France?  |  |
| 5  | Tim Geithner and, currently, Jack Lew have been the two holders of <b>which office</b> under Barack Obama?   |  |
| 6  | <b>Which Christian denomination</b> founded by Charles Taze Russell, publishes the monthly magazine The Watchtower?  |  |
| 7  | Used widely in the military, <b>what is the more common 5-letter name</b> for an Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicle?   |  |
| 8  | The original scriptures kept in the Golden Temple at Amritsar, the Adi Granth is the holy book of <b>which religion</b> ?  |  |
| 9  | First held by the Exploratorium in San Francisco in 1988, <b>what date (day and month required)</b> is Pi Day, the annual celebration of the famous mathematical constant?   |  |
| 10 | Usually translated as "unbeliever" or "infidel", <b>what is the Arabic term</b> given by Muslims to non-Muslims? It is perhaps better known as the derivation of a South African racial slur word.   |  |
| 11 | What is the <b>name of the holding company</b> created by the Board of Google in 2015 to act as a parent company for Google and a number of its subsidiaries?  |  |
| 12 | Employing over 170,000 people, the Chinese state owned company CRRC is the world's largest manufacturer of <b>which mode of transport</b> ?  |  |
| 13 | <b>Which US state capitol</b> , the second largest by population, situated on the Colorado river, was originally named Waterloo but then renamed after the state's founder?  |  |
| 14 | One of the busiest airports in the US, a major hub for Caribbean destinations and American Airlines transatlantic hub, Douglas International Airport is located in <b>which city</b> , the largest in its state?                                 |  |
| 15 | It is currently 1437 AH in <b>which calendar</b> ?   |  |
| 16 | Habib Bourguiba (1957-87) and Zine El Abidine Ben Ali (1987-2011) were the first two presidents of <b>which country</b> ?  |  |
| 17 | As implied by one of its symbols, <b>which territory's</b> motto is, "Whatever way you throw it, it will land."?   |  |
| 18 | <b>What well-known two-word phrase</b> translates from Hebrew as "Son of the Commandments"?  |  |
| 19 | The flag of <b>which country</b> depicts three mountains representing Tatra, Matra and Fatra, three ranges in the country?   |  |
| 20 | While there are regions of Russia with large groups who speak a Turkic language, there are only six independent nations in the world where a Turkic language has official status. Turkey is one but <b>name any one of the other five</b> .      |  |
| 21 | (Picture) Gambian pouched rats, known for their acute sense of smell, are used as replacements for dogs in some African countries to smell <b>what man-made items</b> , a significant problem across large parts of central Africa?              |  |
| 22 | Albert Lutuli, in 1960, became the first man of <b>what nationality</b> to win the Nobel Peace Prize? He was the first person from outside Europe or the Americas to be awarded the prize and has been followed by three more of his countrymen. |  |
| 23 | Joan Enric Vives i Sicila, the current bishop of Urgell in northern Spain is one of the co-princes, <b>who (name required) is the other</b> ?  |  |
| 24 | Thomas Jennings was convicted of the murder of Clarence Hillier in Chicago in 1910. He was the first person in history convicted as a result of police using <b>which form of evidence</b> ?   |  |



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| 25 | While Ralph Nader finished a distant third in 2004 and 2008, <b>which political party's</b> candidate finished third in the 2012 US Presidential Elections, securing nearly 1.3 million votes?  |  |
| 26 | Visayan and Tagalog are the two largest ethnic groups, comprising over 60% of the population, <b>of which country</b>   |  |
| 27 | The Republika Srpska is a large autonomous region comprising about half the land area of <b>which European country?</b>   |  |
| 28 | <b>What six-word phrase in English</b> makes up the first Shahada or testimony of faith, one of the five pillars of Sunni Islam?  |  |
| 29 | An official sponsor of both UEFA Euro 2016 and the 2018 FIFA World Cup, SOCAR is the state oil company of <b>which country?</b>   |  |
| 30 | Now held at various locations globally and usually streamed live, the highly influential TED conferences were first run in 1990 and the main conference is still held in Vancouver annually. <b>What do any one of the letters T, E or D stand for in this context?</b> |  |
| 31 | <b>Which country</b> has variously been a monarchy (from independence in 1919 to 1973), a republic (1973-78), a democratic republic (1978-92), an Islamic state (1992-96), an Islamic Emirate (1996-2001) and an Islamic Republic (2001-present)?                       |  |
| 32 | Founded in 1935, <b>which global financial services company</b> provides a range of share, bond and alternative investment indexes called MSCI indexes?   |  |
| 33 | While Russia uses the rouble and India uses the rupee, <b>which country</b> uses the rupiah as its currency?  |  |
| 34 | <b>Who or what group</b> of people would govern a stratocracy?  |  |
| 35 | Born in Umbria around 500 AD he is mainly known for laying down the rules of monastic life followed for centuries by many religious orders. Who is the <b>patron saint of Europe?</b> Sixteen popes have taken his name.  |  |
| 36 | Initially running on an anti-gambling platform, the Nick Xenophon Team recently won three senate seats in <b>which country's</b> national elections?  |  |
| 37 | In ancient Rome, a haruspex was a person who foretold the future or outcomes of major events by studying or reading the <b>signs they identified from what?</b>   |  |
| 38 | Often associated with their practice of whirling or spinning in a religious frenzy, <b>what name</b> from the Persian for needy or begging is given to Sufi Muslim ascetics who try to reach God through these and other physical extremes?                             |  |
| 39 | First constructed in 1992 and now holding over 300,000 people, the world's largest refugee camp complex is in the town of Dadaab in <b>which African country?</b>   |  |
| 40 | Name <b>either of the two deities</b> , they were brother and sister as well as spouses, who according to Shintoism gave birth to the many islands of Japan and were also the parents of a number of other Shinto deities?  |  |



Q.21



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| 1  | <b>Which UK singer-songwriter</b> released the 1980's albums "Face Value", "Hello, I Must be Going", "No Jacket Required" and "...But Seriously"?   |  |
| 2  | Set nearly 20 years after the last book in the series, <b>what is the name of the West End, London play</b> released in 2016, co-written by JK Rowling following Harry Potter and his son Albus?  |  |
| 3  | This year's had an estimated value of \$200,000 and contained such things as a trip to Israel (first class), a Japanese walking tour, a lazer skin-tightening procedure and a \$250 vaping kit. <b>Where would you have received</b> such "gifts" in 2016 (had you been invited, of course!)? |  |
| 4  | <b>Which Trinidadian singer and rapper</b> was born Onika Tanya Maraj in December 1982?   |  |
| 5  | Set amongst the legal and political professions in Chicago and centering on the personal and professional life of the title character Alicia Florrick, <b>which award-winning US TV show's</b> seventh and final series aired earlier this year?  |  |
| 6  | <b>Which acting legend and Academy Award winning director</b> is listed on Wikipedia as having an "undetermined number" of children with various former partners including Maggie Johnson, Roxanne Tunis, Jacelyn Reeves, Frances Fisher and Dina Ruiz?                                       |  |
| 7  | Diamond Joe Quimby is the long-serving mayor of <b>which fictional city</b> ?   |  |
| 8  | <b>What are the opening 5 words</b> of the Queen song Bohemian Rhapsody?  |  |
| 9  | The oldest brother, Luke, is best known for his part in Australian soap Neighbours. The middle brother, Chris, has played Thor and James Hunt in film. The youngest brother, Liam, starred in the Hunger Games films. <b>What is the the family name</b> ?                                    |  |
| 10 | "The Dirt: Confessions of the World's Most Notorious Rock Band" is an autobiography by the members of <b>which US metal band</b> , most successful in the 1980's but perhaps better known for sex tapes, marrying Playmates and unnecessary umlauts?  |  |
| 11 | In order to be certified as a platinum album by the Recording Industry Association of America, an album must <b>sell how many units</b> (including digital downloads)?  |  |
| 12 | <b>Which male singing legend</b> is the only act to have had at least one new album in the UK charts every year since 1988?   |  |
| 13 | <b>Which Rogers and Hammerstein musical</b> features the songs, "I Whistle a Happy Tune", "Getting to Know You" and "Shall We Dance"?   |  |
| 14 | Winner of two Oscars, one of which was for writing the score for the best-selling orchestral soundtrack of all time, <b>which US composer</b> died in a light aircraft crash in 2015?   |  |
| 15 | <b>Which musical</b> which opened in 2001 but is based on a 1960s movie, holds the record for the most Tony wins - 12?  |  |
| 16 | Although the band name might make you think there should be one more, Luke, Michael, Calum and Ashton are members of <b>which pop band</b> whose first two albums topped US (and Irish) charts?   |  |
| 17 | <b>Which actor's</b> film roles have included the following military men: Pete Mitchell, Ron Kovic, Daniel Kaffee, Claus Von Stauffenberg and William Cage?   |  |
| 18 | Recently purchased by the Chinese Pearl River Group, the Schimmel company in Braunschweig, Germany, has, since 1885, produced some of the finest types of <b>which musical instrument</b> ?   |  |
| 19 | Jeff Kinney was, according to Forbes Magazine, the second highest earning author in 2015. He is most famous for writing <b>whose diary</b> ?  |  |
| 20 | Born McKinley Morganfield in 1913, <b>which blues legend</b> , "the father of Chicago blues", and 5-time Grammy winner is famous for the songs "Rollin Stone" and "Mannish Boy"?  |  |
| 21 | Most commonly used in the US, <b>what in muscial terms</b> does EDM stand for? The term is mainly used there to distance this music from "rave" music?  |  |
| 22 | The most famous was composed by Euphemia Allen in 1877 but <b>what is the general name</b> given to works played on the piano with two fingers - variations have been composed by Borodin, Liszt and Rimsky-Korsakov?   |  |
| 23 | <b>Which 1958 Elvis Presley song</b> spent 12 weeks at number 1 on the Billboard Charts, a record spell which wasn't surpassed until 1992?  |  |

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| 24 | <b>Which somewhat reclusive American author</b> wrote the Border Trilogy of books during the 1990's, with the border in question being the US - Mexico border?   |  |
| 25 | With given names James Graham, <b>which Shanghai-born science-fiction and experimental author</b> is probably best known for his semi-autobiographical novel Empire of the Sun (1984)?   |  |
| 26 | Known for the "magical realism" of his novels, <b>which Nobel literature laureate</b> was described as the "greatest Colombian who ever lived" on his death in 2014?   |  |
| 27 | The 20th century classical musician Mstislav Rostropovich was considered one of the foremost virtuosos on <b>which musical instrument?</b>   |  |
| 28 | According to the nursery rhyme, <b>on what day</b> did Solomon Grundy take ill?  |  |
| 29 | <b>What 2015 thriller</b> by Paula Hawkins has sold over 11 million copies worldwide and topped the New York Times bestsellers list for 13 weeks? A film version is due to be released in October this year.   |  |
| 30 | (Picture) While a very successful writer in his own right, <b>which illustrator</b> and former British Childrens Laureate is also famous for illustrating the books of Roald Dahl and, more recently, David Walliams?  |  |
| 31 | <b>Which film</b> was the highest grossing movie at the global box-office of any film released during the 1980's?  |  |
| 32 | In Gerry Anderson's original Thunderbirds TV series, <b>what was the first / given name</b> of the founder of International Rescue and the father of the 5 Tracy brothers?   |  |
| 33 | Traditionally consisting of the repetition of a sung phrase accompanied by large castanets called qraqab and a lute known as a hajhuj, gnawa is music synonymous with the <b>culture of which African country?</b>   |  |
| 34 | Frenchmen Nicolas Godin and Jean-Benoit Dunckel, are the two members of <b>which electronica band</b> who have produced such albums as Moon Safari and Talkie Walkie over the last 20 years?   |  |
| 35 | <b>What is the only colour</b> to appear in the title of a film which has won the Academy Award for Best Picture?  |  |
| 36 | Mainly consisting of percussion instruments, a gamelan music ensemble is traditionally associated <b>with which country?</b>   |  |
| 37 | Name <b>either of the two US authors</b> to have been awarded the Booker International Prize. From 2005-2016, it was awarded bi-annually to an author in recognition of their bodies of work.  |  |
| 38 | (Picture) Behind only Paul McCartney and John Lennon in terms of number 1 Billboard Hot 100 hits written, <b>who is this</b> Swedish-born writer and producer? His hits include "Baby One More Time", "I Kissed a Girl" and "Shake it Off".  |  |
| 39 | <b>What is the name</b> of the YouTube character created by US comedian Colleen Ballinger? Known for her over-the-top make-up and catchphrase, "Haters Back Off", her channel surpassed 1 billion views this summer, she has written a NY Times best-selling self-help book and she is currently in the middle of a sold-out world tour. |  |
| 40 | (Picture) President of HBO Documentary Films, <b>who is this 77-year old New Yorker</b> who has won 65 Primetime Emmy Awards, including a record 32 individual awards?   |  |

