

THE 2013 HABERSHON CHRISTMAS QUIZ



### **Round 1 – Film buff(oonery)**

1. Which film won “Best Film” in the 2013 Oscars?
2. In which film does the song “As Time Goes By” most famously feature?
3. By which name was the British-born film actor Henry Pratt better known?
4. Who won an Academy Award for Best Actress at the age of 80 for her role in *Driving Miss Daisy*?
5. Which character in *Toy Story* has the catchphrase “To infinity... and beyond”?

### **Round 2 –Money, money, money!**

1. The DAX is the main stock exchange of which country?
2. Which doll, first made by the UK company Pedigree in 1963, was designed as a direct rival to Barbie?
3. What is the nationality of the company that owns Branston Pickle?
4. Which country has a currency called the lev?
5. What is the name of the best-known digital cryptocurrency, which we all should have invested in until it halved in value in December?

### **Round 3 – Game on!**

1. Which Barclays Premier League football team plays home games at Goodison Park?
2. What is the devilish nickname of the Belgian National football team?
3. In which city were the first modern Olympic Games held, in 1896?
4. How many championship points did Andy Murray lose in the 2013 Wimbledon final before he eventually won?
5. In which card game are the expressions “bad sixteen”, “His Nobs” and “Raggedy Ann” used?

### **Round 4 – Science (and Science Fiction)**

1. How many nanometres are there in a metre?
2. In the context of sleep, what does REM stand for?
3. Triton is the largest moon of which planet?
4. In which organs of the human body is the aqueous humour found?
5. What does TARDIS (i.e. Dr Who’s) stand for?

### **Round 5 – (We are all) History**

1. At the court of which emperor of China did Marco Polo serve?
2. To whom did Jane Seymour give birth in 1537 before dying 12 days later?
3. How old was Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II when she was crowned?
4. In which year did the following occur: Martin Luther King made his “I have a dream” speech, John Profumo resigned after an affair, and President Kennedy was shot and killed in Dallas.
5. In August 1914, who or what were the Angels of Mons?

### **Round 6 – Music (some would say)**

1. What was Buddy Holly’s backing band called?
2. Which Rodgers and Hammerstein musical features Curly McLain and Laurey Williams as the main characters?
3. Who composed the opera *The Bartered Bride*?
4. What does the Italian musical term ‘adagio’ mean?
5. “I was sick and tired of everything, When I called you last night from Glasgow.” Which Abba song contains those words?

### **Round 7 – Geo-whizz**

1. What is the capital city of Croatia?
2. Name the eight US States that begin with the letter ‘M’ (one point for each).
3. Pierre is the capital of which US state?
4. What is Britain’s second largest city (by population)?
5. What are the two colours of the flag of Poland?

### **Round 8 – Literally\* mind-blowing (\*NB this usage is now sanctioned by the OED!)**

1. Who wrote *The Cat in the Hat*?
2. In 1898 Fred Jane produced the first issue of a guide that is still produced today – to what?
3. What was Miss Marple’s first name?
4. Who was “furnish’d and burnish’d by Aldershot sun”, according to John Betjeman?
5. Which British Prime Minister was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature?

### **Round 9 – Transport (of delight, for some) + Communications**

1. How did the “navvies” (i.e. the labourers who built the canals) get their name?
2. From which English port did the *Titanic* set sail on 10 April 1912?
3. Which airline is the world’s oldest one to still be using its original name?
4. We all know that Bill Gates founded Microsoft – but he was a joint founder.

What was the name of co-founder?

5. The primary language for creating web pages is HTML – but what does it stand for?

### **Round 10 – Mixed bag and corkers**

1. The flavouring in Earl Grey tea is bergamot. What type of plant does it come from?
2. What bird is also known (poetically) as a halcyon?
3. In bingo calls, which number is “red raw”, or “the Beatles”?
4. Champagne bottle sizes progress upward: standard (1 bottle), magnum (2), Jeroboam (4), Rehoboam (6). What the next one up, the equivalent of 8 bottles?
5. Rearrange 2013 and you get a simple arithmetic progression: 0, 1, 2, 3. When was the previous such year, when you could likewise rearrange the numbers to make a simple arithmetic progression?

Final question: How many people are in your team?