
Pushups for Muscular Success

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<p>1. Australia was struggling through one drought season after another, and <i>then</i> came the Great Depression. Farmers in the West found they had to face one more unanticipated problem: a horde of around 20,000 indigenous ____ and they initially thrived in central parts of Australia, but in search of water during the drought seasons, they had also moved to the West. To their own surprise, the migrating ____ stumbled upon quite a treat: vast fields of wheat. At ease, the vast flocks tore down fences in order to feast in the fields. This subsequently led to Australia going to a war called "The Great ____ War". Fill blank.</p>	1.
<p>2. "When the sun rises in the west and sets in the east," said Mirri Maz Duur. "When the seas go dry and mountains blow in the wind like leaves. When your womb quickens again, and you bear a living child. Then he will return, and not before". This was said to whom, about whom?</p>	2.
<p>3. His non-fiction works, including <i>The Road to Wigan Pier</i> (1937), documenting his experience of working class life in the north of England. In 2008, <i>The Times</i> ranked him second on a list of "The 50 greatest British writers since 1945". Who?</p>	3.
<p>4. The show was initially titled "Teenage Wasteland" and later "The Kids Are Alright". However, because both names were references to songs by The Who, legal issues prevented their use. As a result, the show was eventually announced as "Feelin' Alright", but because that name had few supporters, a search for a new title began. After noticing what the audience members in focus groups would say it was finally named ____</p>	4.
<p>5. In C.S. Lewis's <i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i>, what mythical creature does Lucy encounter on her first trip through the wardrobe into Narnia?</p>	5.
<p>6. In <i>A Tale of Two Cities</i>, what are the two cities?</p>	6.
<p>7. Moving to County Wicklow, Ireland, X assumed Irish citizenship in 1993. According to Harvey Weinstein, X was taking time off to work as a cobbler in Florence, Italy when Weinstein, director Martin Scorsese and star Leonardo DiCaprio lured him into coming back to New York "on false pretences" so they could persuade him to accept lead role in <i>Gangs of New York</i> (2002). X is a 5 time Oscar winner for the best actor. He retired on June 20th. Who is X?</p>	7.
<p>8. Trichinapoly to Tiruchirapalli. Baroda to Vadodara. Trivandrum to Thiruvananthapuram. Bombay to Mumbai. Madras to Chennai. Waltair to _____?</p>	8.

9. The ruler Mahindrapala I had the famous poet, Rajasekhara at his court. Which Indian dynasty did the king belong to-- their zenith coincides with this period?	9.
10. The Swedish conquest of this country began in the 12 th century and completed in 1634, now the country is composed of about 7% Swedes. Russia conquered it in the 18 th century. It enjoyed little bits of territorial integrity in between but the land was ceded to the former USSR in 1939. It got independence in 1945 after the brief alliance with Germany led to further cession of the territory to former Soviet Union in 1944. Which country?	10.
11. Recently, after testing the prototype of this protective gear, X said it made him "a bit dizzy". There were also doubts over whether a person can get out of it with ease in case of emergency. Who is X and what is the protective gear?	11.
12. Valtteri Bottas became the 4 th Finnish multi-race winner after he won his second race recently at Austria GP. Who are the other 3 drivers? (3-pointer)	12.
13. Indian states Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Telangana, Delhi & Haryana belong to an exclusive list when you compare them with other states. What list?	13.
14. Frenchman Henri Cornet who won the Tour de France in 1904 had finished 5 th . The first four were disqualified. Why?	14.
15. In 1896: Kumar Shri Ranjitsinhji became the first Indian to appear in a Test match. Whom did he represent and against whom?	15.
16. In 2001, X, who was a runner-up in 1992, 1994 & 1998, then ranked 125 & entered as a wild card - won the Wimbledon singles title. Who?	16.
17. Liu Xiaobo became the 1st Nobel Peace Prize winner to die in custody since German pacifist X, died in Nazi custody in 1938. Who?	17.
18. Today in 1896, 121 yrs ago, the 1st cinema show in India "Marvel of the Century" was held at Bombay's _____ Hotel. Fill blank.	18.
19. In 2017: Lionel Messi signed a new 4-year contract with Barcelona FC: £500000 per week In 2000: Messi, aged 13, signed his 1st contract on what unconventional surface?	19.
20. Benjamin Netanyahu, like Indian PM Narendra Modi, was the first prime minister to? Provide a distinction that connects them..	20.
21. In 1958 Brazil won their first World Cup title, beating hosts _____ 5-2. A 17-year-old Pele scored two goals. Who did they beat?	21.
22. The pro boxing match between Mike Tyson & Evander Holyfield for the WBA Heavyweight Championship soon came to be called " _____ "after events during the bout. By what rhyming name did this match come to be known?	22.

23. Recently we welcomed the 11th & 12th Test entrants - Ireland & Afghanistan. In 1932, India became which-numbered test entrant?	23.
24. _____, the owner of The New York Jets, the American football team in the NFL, is the latest US Ambassador to the United Kingdom. Fill blank.	24.
25. In 1661: Charles II of England married the Princess X of the country Y. And got the seven Islands of Bombay as a dowry. Name the princess and the country.	25.
26. According to Greek mythology, X was created by Heracles when he was a baby. His father, Zeus, was fond of his son, who was born of the mortal woman Alcmene. He decided to let the infant Heracles suckle on his divine wife Hera when she was asleep, an act which would endow the baby with godlike qualities. When Hera woke up and realized what was happening, she pushed him away and the X was formed. What?	26.
27. Nusret Gokce's dextrousness led to his becoming an Internet celebrity known to us as?	27.
28. Australian researchers Isabel Joy Bear and Richard G. Thomas describe how this phenomenon arises from an oil exuded by certain plants during dry periods, whereupon it is absorbed by clay-based soils and rocks. They gave it the name X combining Greek words for stone and the fluid that flows in the veins of god. What did they thus coin?	28.
29. X consists of a machine element that constraints a relative motion to only the desired motion and reduces friction between moving parts by providing for free linear momentum or prevents a motion by controlling the vectors of normal forces that bear on the moving parts and is in the centre of a multi-lobed flat structure made from metal or plastic designed to spin with a minimal effort. What is X?	29.
30. In French, the phrase X means "flight of death". The author wanting to become a bilingual secretly studied French. When she came across this phrase, she considered it apt for one of her key characters who seeks to achieve immortality. What phrase/name?	30.
31. It was a location in St. James district of Westminster, London. The buildings in this area were used to accommodate the diplomatic representatives of the neighbouring kingdom when they visited London. It serves as the rear entrance to the office of a particular organisation. Since then the headquarters of this organisation has taken the name of the location in question. Give the name of the headquarters or the location.	31.

32. As a young man, X was an accomplished wrestler. He was defeated just once in over 300 matches and as a result of his grappling exploits, X earned an "outstanding American" honour in the national wrestling hall of fame. He also obtained a patent for designing a method for keeping vessels afloat when traversing shallow water through the use of empty metal chambers attached to their sides. Identify X.	32.
33. X day is an annual global event that aims to raise awareness about X and what can be done to protect the Earth, its families, communities, and future generations. X Day is held on the anniversary of the June 30, 1908 Siberian Tunguska event, the most harmful known X -related event on Earth in recent history. The United Nations has proclaimed that X Day will be observed globally on June 30 every year in its resolution. What observance?	33.
34. X is a family-owned global fashion and fashion manufacturer and retailer with acting headquarters located in Lausanne, Switzerland. Organized into three business units: X Europe, based in Italy; X Emerging Market (Asia, Pacific, Africa and Latin America), based in Singapore, and X Protective (worldwide B2B operations), based in the Netherlands, the organization has a retail presence of over 5200 retail stores. Identify X.	34.
35. This scion of a family of dictators was assassinated near his exile home in Paraguay on September 17, 1980. He was ambushed by a seven-person commando team in what was known as "Operation Reptile". It inspired the vowel-rich headline "X slain by bazooka. Who is X?	35.
36. Sufferers from which chronic condition are required to follow the three Es, namely Elastic, Exercise and Elevate?	36.
37. He described the condition we know as migraine, the effects of tobacco smoking on the lungs, and also discovered the ileocaecal valve at the junction of the large and small intestines, still known as X's valve after him. His description of the symptoms of Beriberi in a Dutch seaman went unnoticed until the cause was recognized two hundred years later. Who is this pioneer?	37.
38. Roshanai is made with gold, <i>kajjal</i> , and neem, and prepared in a copper vessel. The recipe was unearthed by researchers recently. What was written using this special ink?	38.
39. "Honour is like that glossy bubble/That finds philosophers such trouble,/Whose least part crack'd, the whole does fly/And wits are crack'd to find out why." Samuel Butler makes this comparison between honour and something else in Hudibras. What 17th century curiosity is the basis for this analogy?	39.
40. The Greek word for ancient was called back into use as a prefix by Science after languishing for many centuries as a fossil and a relic. What is this prefix?	40.

41. This is the term used in music for a piece in which the second half is the first half in retrograde motion. Hindemith's <i>Ludus tonalis</i> is an example. What term?	41.
42. Even though the name for this class of mammals seems to refer to teeth, it actually comes from another word meaning to gnaw. What name?	42.
43. It was given the name Soror, meaning sister, in Latin, for obvious reasons. By what more grandiloquent title do we know this location, owing to a 1963 work featuring a protagonist named in tribute to the Odyssey?	43.
44. It is the second largest mountain plateau in the world was described by one writer as "a landscape of ice and fire, wind and salt. Which region, literally 'the high plain'? Which country formed in 1825 sits squat on a good part of this region? And what is the highest mountain plateau? (3-pointer)	44.
45. The French phrase means bottom of the bag, and indicates the quality of being open only at one end. What phrase?	45.
46. VISUAL. This stamp pays tribute to a man who is also famous for a careful investigation of conditions in the former Belgian Congo. He is also the subject of a novel by Mario Vargas Llosa. Who?	46.
47. VISUAL Ai Weiwei installation titled _____ Forever. Fill blank.	47.
48. VISUAL Representation of which imaginary deity? Also name the parody religion.	48.
49. VISUAL Emblem of which territory. What is it called?	49.
50. VISUAL Identify this much venerated exhibit. In which country would you find it?	50.
51. VISUAL The man seen here is the inventor of a secure gondola, valuable in making scientific observations while ballooning. Go by his distinctive features and give us the famous surname that he bore equally well.	51.
52. VISUAL What roughly 18-year-old acronym did the sculptor Edgar Askelovic choose for this life-size representation of Kate Moss?	52.
53. VISUAL Statue in Ottawa commemorating a famous Canadian, in proximity with his claim to fame. Who and what?	53.
54. VISUAL Which pioneer does this painting from Robert Thom's carefully researched series depict? What was the series titled? For which hyphenated entity were they commissioned?	54.
55. VISUAL There are two species of this magnificent bird, of which one is the Californian. What is the other, well-known to us by location? Which language does it derive its six-letter common name from?	55.
56. VISUAL What high-fat but exquisitely sanskari delight do we see in this picture?	56.

57. **VISUAL** This is a dichroscope, armed with polarising filters that produce images such as the one given. **In which field is it invaluable in making high value distinctions?** 57.
58. **VISUAL** What colour shade takes its name from these discards? 58.
59. **VISUAL** What mythological object is borrowed while making references to a sharp definition of this kind? 59.
60. **VISUAL** The phenomenon seen here has an eight-letter name, and owes its existence to the action of a layer called the *tapetum lucidum*. **What name?** 60.

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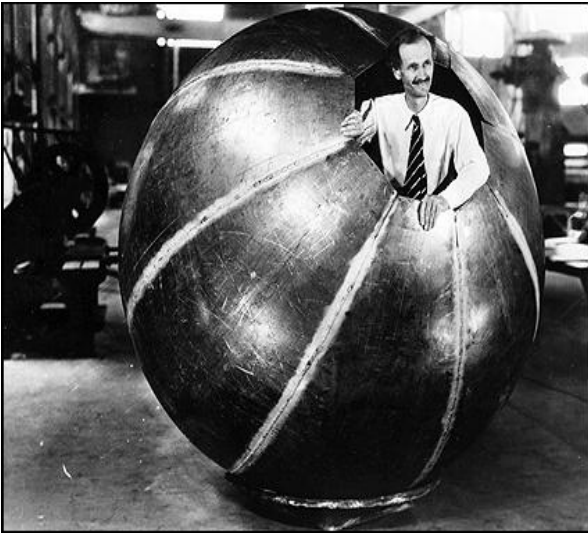


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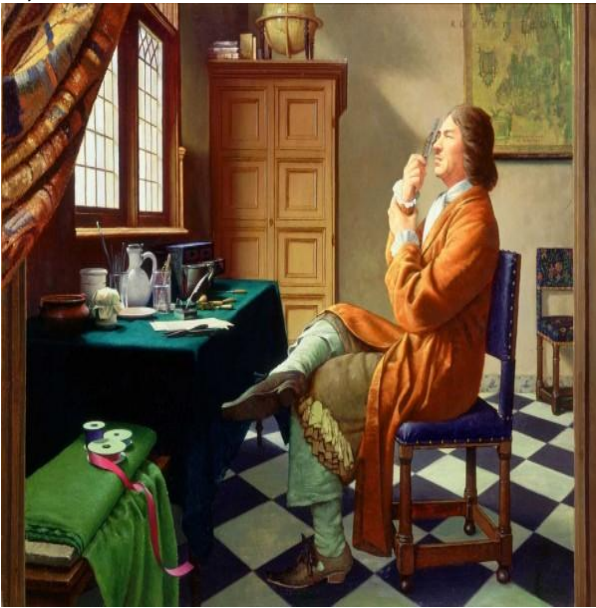
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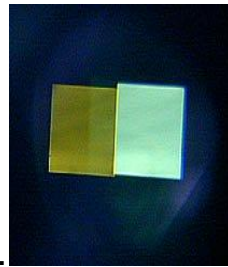
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Takers must attempt **60 questions in 60 minutes**.

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