

ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE **INTERNATIONAL CULTURE** **CHALLENGE**

SEASON NINE **WEEK FOUR QUESTIONS**

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PLAYER ONE

QUESTION ONE

Which religion developed in Haiti as a syncretism of West African belief systems and Catholicism, and revolves around belief in spirits called *Lwa* or *Loas*? This religion also gave rise to a similar belief system in Louisiana.

ANS: Vodou (or **Voodoo** or **Vodun**)

French: **vaudou**

Mandarin: **wūdú**

Polish: **wudu**

Romanian: **vaudou**

QUESTION TWO

What extinct genus with a distinctive ‘sail’ formed from bony spines connected to its vertebrae has a name derived from the Greek for ‘two measures of teeth’? Though often portrayed as a type of dinosaur in popular culture, these creatures were actually early synapsids, closely related to the ancestors of modern mammals.

ANS: Dimetrodon

Mandarin: **Yìchǐlóng** shǔ

QUESTION THREE

What form of transport names the ‘problem’ in an influential thought experiment put forward by Philippa Foot, and given its name by Judith Jarvis Thomson, which asks whether it is moral to sacrifice one person in order to save others?

ANS: trolley problem (accept **tram** problem)

Danish: **sporvogns**problemet

Dutch: **trolley**probleem

French: dilemme du **tramway**

German: also accept **Weichensteller**fall

Mandarin: Yǒu guǐ **diànchē** nántí

Norwegian: **sporvogns**problemet

Polish: dylemat **wagonika**, dylemat

zwrotniczego

Romanian: Dilema **tramvaiului**

Swedish: **Spårvagns**problemet

PLAYER TWO

QUESTION ONE

Imprisoned for several years for a crime he didn't commit, Edmond Dantès is the title character of **which 1844 adventure novel** by Alexandre Dumas?

ANS: *The Count of Monte Cristo or Le Comte de Monte-Cristo*

Danish: Greven af Monte Cristo

Dutch: De graaf van Monte-Cristo

German: Der Graf von Monte Cristo

Mandarin: Jī dù shān ěn chóu jī

Norwegian: Greven av Monte Cristo

Polish: Hrabia Monte Christo

Romanian: Contele de Monte-Cristo

Swedish:

QUESTION TWO

Molecular oxygen, or O₂, is the most common allotrope of elemental oxygen. It is a diradical molecule, resulting from its ground state electron configuration with two electrons occupying degenerate molecular orbitals to form **what type of spin state**?

ANS: triplet (or triplet state, spin triplet, triplet oxygen)

Danish: triplet-tilstand, triplet-ilt

Dutch: tripletttoestand, tripletzuurstof

French: état triplet, oxygène triplet

German: Triplett-Zustand, Triplett-

Sauerstoff

Mandarin: sānxian tài yang, sāi sǎn

zhuàngtài, sāi sǎn zhuàngtài , sānchóng tài

yǎngqì

Norwegian: triplett-tilstand, triplett-
oksygen

Polish: stan trypletowy, tlen trypletowy

Romanian: stare triplet, oxygen triplet

Swedish: triplettillstånd, triplettsyre

QUESTION THREE

Tuttomundo in Pisa is one of the last outdoor works by **which American artist** who began his career in the 1980s graffiti scene in New York City and who died from AIDS-related complications in 1990?

ANS: Keith Haring

Mandarin: Kǎisī·Hālín

PLAYER THREE

QUESTION ONE

Georges Cousineau was an 18th-century maker of **what kind of musical instrument**, which was in vogue at the time because it was Marie Antoinette's instrument of choice? In 1782, Cousineau came up with a 14-pedal version of this instrument, which allowed users to play in all keys, and is an important predecessor to the modern concert version, which has seven pedals.

ANS: harp

Danish: **harpe**

French: **harpe**

German: **Harfe**

Mandarin: **shùqín**

Norwegian: **harpe**

Polish: **harfa**

Romanian: **harpă, harfă, arpă, arfă**

Swedish: **harpa**

QUESTION TWO

In mathematics, **what name is given to a number** that can be used to measure a continuous, one-dimensional quantity, or in other words, corresponds to a point along a line? The set of these numbers is denoted **R**.

ANS: real number

Danish: **reelle** tal

Dutch: **reële** getallen

French: nombre **réel**

German: **reellen** Zahlen

Mandarin: **shí** shù

Norwegian: **reelt** tall

Polish: liczby **rzeczywiste**

Romanian: număr **real**

Swedish: **reella** tal

QUESTION THREE

'Tortues' ('Tortoises'), 'L'Éléphant' ('The Elephant'), 'Aquarium' and 'Fossiles' ('Fossils') are movements taken from **what humorous musical suite** of 14 movements written for two pianos, a chamber ensemble, and a glass harmonica?

ANS: The *Carnival of the Animals* or Le *Carnaval des animaux* by Camille Saint-Saëns

Danish: **Dyrenes Karneval**

Dutch: Het **Carnaval der Dieren**

German: **Karneval der Tiere**

Mandarin: **Dòngwù Kuánghuān Jié**

Norwegian: **Dyrenes karneval**

Polish: **Karnawał zwierząt**

Romanian: **Carnavalul animalelor**

Swedish: **Djurens karneval**

PLAYER FOUR

QUESTION ONE

Resulting in sweeping reforms to the political system and wider society, the Meiji [may-jee] restoration was an event of 1868 that saw the re-establishment of Imperial rule in **which country**, ending the control of the shoguns?

ANS: Japan

French: **Japon**
Mandarin: **Rìběn**

Polish: **Japonia**
Romanian: **Japonia**

QUESTION TWO

In 2025, the United States implemented a series of tariffs against most of its trading partners. One territory that received a lot of attention at this time was **which external Australian territory** that was tarified despite being uninhabited? This territory consists of one larger island and a smaller archipelago over 4,000 kilometres from Perth in the southern Indian Ocean. Your answer should contain the name of both the island and the archipelago.

ANS: Heard Island and **McDonald** Islands (accept **Heard and McDonald** Islands; prompt if only one is offered)

Mandarin: **Hèdé** dǎo hé **Màikètángnà** qúndǎo

“Islands” varies between languages, but “Heard” and “McDonald” are essentially the same and are what is required.

QUESTION THREE

In 1949, the CIA began a decade-long covert effort against **which country's** government when they installed a pro-American colonel, Adib Shishakli, who lasted for four years before the Ba'ath Party overthrew him? Ba'athism was established in this country by intellectuals such as Michel Aflaq before spreading to its eastern neighbour.

ANS: Syria

Danish: **Syrien**
Dutch: **Syrië**
French: **Syrie**
German: **Syrien**

Mandarin: **Xùlìyǎ**
Romanian: **Siria**
Swedish: **Syrien**

ROUND TWO

PLAYER ONE

QUESTION ONE

Louis I of Hungary became the King of Poland in 1370 following the death of **which king**, Louis' uncle, who is considered one of the most successful Polish monarchs? This king acquired much of Ruthenia, passed many judicial and military reforms, allowed Jews to settle in Poland, and founded the Jagiellonian University.

ANS: Casimir III or Casimir the Great (or Kazimierz III or Kazimierz Wielki; prompt on 'Casimir')

Danish: Kasimir 3. den Store

French: Casimir le Grand

German: Kasimir der Große

Mandarin: Kǎqímǐrì sānshì, Kǎqímǐrì dàdì

Norwegian: Kasimir III den store

Romanian: Cazimir cel Mare

Swedish: Kasimir den store

QUESTION TWO

Jean Valjean spends 19 years in prison for stealing some bread in **which 1862 novel** by Victor Hugo?

ANS: *Les Misérables*

Danish: accept De Elendige, De Ulykkelige, Galejslaven

Dutch: accept De Ellendigen, De miserabelen

German: Die Elenden

Mandarin: Hisan sekai

Norwegian: De elendige

Polish: Nędznicy, Nędzarze

Romanian: Mizerabilii

Swedish: Samhällets olycksbarn

QUESTION THREE

What type of number is defined as one that can be expressed as a fraction of two integers where the denominator must not be zero? The set of these numbers is denoted by the letter **Q** and while all of these numbers are real, not all real numbers fall into this set.

ANS: rational numbers

Danish: rationale tal

Dutch: rationaal getal

French: nombre rationnel

German: rationale Zahl

Mandarin:

Norwegian: rasjonalt tall

Polish: liczby wymierne

Romanian: număr rațional

Swedish: rationella tal

PLAYER TWO

QUESTION ONE

Written around the year 1200, **which epic poem** by Shota Rustaveli is an allegory for the reign of Queen Tamar and is considered the masterpiece of medieval Georgian literature?

ANS: The **Knight in the Panther's Skin** (or **Vepkhist'q'aosani**)

Danish: **Ridderen i tigerskindet**

Dutch: **De ridder in het pantervel**

French: **Le Chevalier à la peau de panthère, L'Homme à la peau de tigre**

German: **Der Recke im Tigerfell, Der mit dem Wepchi-Fell, Der mit dem Panther-Fell**

Mandarin:

Norwegian: **Mannen i tigerskinnet**

Polish: **Rycerz w tygrysiej skórze, Witeź w tygrysiej skórze**

Romanian: **Viteazul în piele de tigru**

Swedish: **Riddaren i tigerskrud**

QUESTION TWO

Candomblé is a syncretic religion sometimes likened to vodou that developed in **which South American country** where enslaved Africans incorporated their own beliefs into the state religion of Roman Catholicism?

ANS: **Brazil**

Danish: **Brasilien**

Dutch: **Brazilië**

French: **Brésil**

German: **Brasilien**

Mandarin: **Bāxī**

Norwegian: **Brasil**

Polish: **Brazylia**

Romanian: **Brazilia**

Swedish: **Brasilien**

QUESTION THREE

Another surprising tariff imposed by the United States in 2025 was on the British Indian Ocean territory, the only occupants of which are American service personnel on the island of Diego Garcia. Diego Garcia is part of **which archipelago**? The government of the United Kingdom has announced it will transfer sovereignty of this archipelago to Mauritius.

ANS: **Chagos** Archipelago

Mandarin: **Chágēsī** qúndǎo

Polish: **Czagos**

‘Archipelago’ or ‘Islands’ varies, but Chagos is the same and is what is required

PLAYER THREE

QUESTION ONE

What is the name of the series of domed rocks, or bornhardts, in the southern part of Australia's Northern Territory that give their name to a national park alongside Uluru?

ANS: Kata Tjuta (accept Mount Olga or the Olgas)

Mandarin: Kǎtǎ Qiūta

QUESTION TWO

Following the Meiji Restoration, the Japanese government gradually abolished **what class of soldiers**, who had previously been employed by lords? Although many of them accepted their new status, some of those who were unhappy launched the failed Satsuma Rebellion.

ANS: Samurai (or Bushi)

Dutch: Samoerai
French: Samourai
Mandarin: shì

Polish: Samuraj
Swedish: Samuraj

QUESTION THREE

Although a common ancestry was long suspected, a 1986 paper by Jacques Gauthier theorized that modern birds were, in fact, a type of 'dinosaur', leading to a major upheaval in dinosaur phylogenetics classification. Distinct from the bird-hipped dinosaurs (Ornithischia) and the sauropods; **which of the three major dinosaur clades (groups)**, with a name meaning 'beast-footed', did Gauthier classify birds under?

ANS: Theropods (or Theropoda)

Danish: Theropoder
French: Théropodes
German: Theropoden
Mandarin: Shòu jiǎo yà mù

Norwegian: Theropoder
Polish: Teropody
Swedish: Theropoder

PLAYER FOUR

QUESTION ONE

The ship of **which Greek hero** appears in an influential thought experiment described by Plutarch – and repopularised by Thomas Hobbes – which questions whether an object is the same object after having all of its original components replaced over time?

ANS: Ship of Theseus

Danish: Theseus' Skib
Dutch: Schip van Theseus
French: Bateau de Thésée
German: Schiff des Theseus
Mandarin: Tèxiūsī zhī chuán, Tèxiūsī bèi lùn, Tèxiūsī yòu yìzuò, Tèxiūsī, Tíxiūsī, Tàixiūsī, Tiěxiūsī, Díxiūsī

Norwegian: skipet til Thesevs
Polish: Statek Tezeusza
Romanian: navei lui Tezeu
Swedish: Theseusskeppet

QUESTION TWO

The diradical triplet oxygen has two unpaired electrons. The electrons remain unpaired and spin-parallel to form the triplet or $S=1$ state, in accordance with **which set of rules for electron configuration** named after a German physicist?

ANS: Hund's rules (accept Friedrich Hund)

Mandarin: Hóngdé guīzé

QUESTION THREE

What is the four-letter name associated with Jean-Michel Basquiat's early street art persona? This graffiti was created with collaborator Al Diaz and appeared all over Manhattan in the late 1970s.

ANS: SAMO

ROUND THREE

PLAYER ONE

QUESTION ONE

The new Meiji government introduced the ideology of *shinbutsu buri*, in which Buddhist idols were destroyed as part of a separation with **which religion**, which came to be the basis of an imperial cult? This religion revolves around supernatural figures called *kami*, and is considered the main indigenous belief system of Japan.

ANS: Shinto (or **Shintoism**)

Dutch: **shintoïsme**

French: **shintoïsme**

German: **Shintoismus**

Mandarin: **Shéndào, Chéng shén dàojiào**

Polish: **szintoizm**

Romanian: **Șintoism**

QUESTION TWO

The title character of **which dastan**, or epic story, of the Oghuz Turks is a white-bearded sage who is said to have lived for 295 years and attended the election of the Great Khan? This 8th-century collection of stories includes the tale of Basat and a one-eyed giant called Tepegöz, and is considered an important part of the culture of Azerbaijan and parts of Central Asia.

ANS: The Book of Dede Korkut (or Kitabi-**Dədə Qorqud**, Kitaby **Dādem Gorkut**; **Dede Korkut Kitabi**)

Danish: “**Dede Korkuts bok**”

Dutch: Het boek van **Dede Korkoet**

French: Livre de **Dede Korkut**

German: Das Buch von **Dede Korkut**

Mandarin: **Xiānzǔ Kuòěrkùtè shū**

Norwegian: “**Dede Korkuts bok**”

Polish: Księga mego **dziada Korkuta**

Romanian: Kitabi **Dede Qorqud**

Swedish: “**Dede Korkuts bok**”

QUESTION THREE

The *saung*, or *saung-gauk*, is an arched harp regarded as the national instrument of **what Asian country**? The ‘t’na’ is a variant of the *saung*, played by the Karen (or Kayin) people in this country.

ANS: Burma or **Myanmar**

Dutch: **Birma**

French: **Birmanie**

Mandarin: **Miǎndiàn**

Polish: **Mjanma, Birma**

Romanian: **Birmania**

PLAYER TWO

QUESTION ONE

‘Il vecchio castello’ (‘The Old Castle’), ‘Balet nevyilupivshikhsya ptentsov’ (‘Ballet of Unhatched Chicks’), and ‘Izbushka na kuryikh nozhkakh’ (‘The Hut of Hen’s Legs’) are movements in **what piano suite**, made up of ten total movements, and later adapted for the orchestra by other composers?

ANS: Pictures at an Exhibition by Modest Mussorgsky (or **Kartínki s výstavki** – Vospominániye o Víktore Gártmane)

Danish: **Udstillingsbilleder**
Dutch: **Schilderijen van een tentoonstelling**,
Schilderijententoonstelling
French: **Tableaux d’une exposition**
German: **Bilder einer Ausstellung**

Mandarin: **Zhǎnlǎn huì zhī huà**
Norwegian: **Bilder fra en utstilling**
Polish: **Obrazki z wystawy**
Romanian: **Tablouri dintr-o expoziție**
Swedish: **Tavlor på en utställning**

QUESTION TWO

Although he was the founder of the Jagiellonian University, Casimir the Great was the final king of **which royal dynasty** that had ruled Poland since the reign of Mieszko I [MYESH-ko] in 960? Branches of this dynasty survived much longer in Masovia and Silesia.

ANS: Piast dynasty (or **Piastowie**)

Dutch: **Piasten**
German: **Piasten**

Mandarin: **Píyǎsītè** wángcháo

QUESTION THREE

Many of the earliest known thought experiments – such as that of Achilles and the tortoise – are collected in the ‘paradoxes’ of **which 5th-century BCE philosopher from Elea**, whose works are known to us through the writings of Plato and Aristotle? This man’s paradoxes were largely devised as a defence of his teacher, Parmenides.

ANS: Zeno of Elea (or **Zínon**)

Danish: **Zenon** fra Elea
Dutch: **Zeno** van Elea
French: **Zénon** d’Élée
German: **Zenon** von Elea
Mandarin: Āiliyǎ de **Zhīnuò**

Norwegian: **Zenon** fra Elea
Polish: **Zenon** z Elei
Romanian: **Zenon** din Eleea
Swedish: **Zenon** från Elea

PLAYER THREE

QUESTION ONE

Which **syncretic religion** developed among the Afro-Cuban population and involves belief in spirits called *orishas*? This religion is known for its use of animal sacrifice.

ANS: **Santería**

Mandarin: **Sàtài lǎ** jiàopài, **shèng zhě zhī dào**

QUESTION TWO

The triplet oxygen electronic configuration results in molecular oxygen exhibiting **which type of magnetism**, meaning it becomes weakly attracted to applied magnetic fields?

ANS: **paramagnetism**

Danish: **paramagnetisme**
Dutch: **paramagnetisme**
French: **paramagnétisme**
German: **Paramagnetismus**

Mandarin: **shùn** cíxìng
Norwegian: **paramagnetisme**
Polish: **paramagnetyzm**

QUESTION THREE

In 1953, the CIA and British intelligence gave future prime minister General Fazlollah Zahedi \$75,000 and tasked him with forming a military secretariat to mount a coup in **which country**, leading to the overthrow of an elected prime minister and the strengthening of the rule of a hereditary monarch?

ANS: **Iran**

Mandarin: **Yīlǎng**

PLAYER FOUR

QUESTION ONE

What word is used to describe the unit i , which is defined as being the square root of -1 , and any number formed from the multiplication of i and a real number?

ANS: imaginary

Danish: rent **imaginære** tal

Dutch: **imaginair** getal

French: nombre **imaginaire** pur

German: **imaginäre** Zahl

Mandarin: **Xūshù**

Norwegian: **imaginært** tall

Polish: liczby **urojone**

Romanian: număr **imaginar**

Swedish: **imaginära** tal

QUESTION TWO

What enormous inselberg is the most prominent outcrop of the Antioquia batholith in Colombia? A popular tourist attraction, it can be climbed via a 708-step staircase and it overlooks a namesake reservoir.

ANS: El Peñón de Guatapé (or La **Piedra** del **Peñol**, accept either underlined part)

German: Fels von **Guatapé**

Mandarin: **Guātǎpèi** jùnyán, Āiěr **Pèinàòěr** jùnyán, Lǎ-**Píyédélā**

QUESTION THREE

Pterosaurs, including the *Pterodactyl* and *Pteranodon*, are commonly confused as a type of 'dinosaur', despite being their own distinct clade. **What pterosaur genus**, with a name derived from mythology, is the largest known animal capable of self-powered flight, with an estimated wingspan of up to 25.8 meters (85 feet)?

ANS: Quetzalcoatlus

Mandarin: **Fēngshén yì lóng shǔ**, **Yǔ shí shén yì lóng**, **Pī yǔ shí yì lóng**, **Guì sǒu kòuyìlóng**

Polish: **Kecalkoatl**

ROUND FOUR

PLAYER ONE

QUESTION ONE

Which overseas collectivity of France was initially hit with a 99% 'reciprocal tariff', later reduced to 50%, as its export of seafood to the US greatly outweighed its imports? Only 5,800 people live in this territory located very close to Newfoundland.

ANS: **Saint Pierre and Miquelon** (or **Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon**)

Danish: **Saint-Pierre og Miquelon**

Dutch: **Saint-Pierre en Miquelon**

German: **Saint-Pierre und Miquelon**

Mandarin: **Shèng Píāiěr hé Míkèlóng**

Norwegian: **Saint-Pierre og Miquelon**

Polish: **Saint-Pierre i Miquelon**

Romanian: **Saint Pierre și Miquelon**

Swedish: **Saint-Pierre och Miquelon**

QUESTION TWO

Haring's spontaneous drawing style is contrasted with **what style of graffiti** used by artists such as Tavar Zawacki, Banksy, and Shepard Fairey? This style uses an art technique that allows the artwork to be applied very quickly and repeatably.

ANS: **stencil**

Danish: **skabelon**

Dutch: accept **sjabloon**

French: **pochoir, schablon**

German: accept **Schablonenkunst**

Mandarin: **Múbǎn** pēn huà, **záo mǎ**,

bǎnmiàn múzǐ. pēnqī múbǎn

Norwegian: **sjablong**

Polish: **szablon**

Romanian: **Șablon**

Swedish: **schablon**

QUESTION THREE

Which 670-metre tall **inselberg** in Namibia has been dubbed the 'Matterhorn of Namibia' due to its distinctive shape?

ANS: **Spitzkoppe** (or Groot **Spitzkop**)

Mandarin: **Sīpícíkēpǔ**

PLAYER TWO

QUESTION ONE

Sometimes confused with dinosaurs alongside other marine reptiles such as plesiosaurs, **which large predatory reptiles** of the Cretaceous are thought to be most closely related to monitor lizards and snakes? The earliest known specimens of this group were mistaken for whales, and they have a name derived from a European river.

ANS: mosasaurs (or Mosasauridae; accept Mosasaurus; from Maas or Meuse)

Danish: mosasaurer

Dutch: accept maashagedissen

French: Mosasauridés

German: Mosasaurier

Mandarin: Cāng lóng

Norwegian: mosasaurer

Polish: mozaury

Romanian: mosazaur

Swedish: mosasaurider, mosasaurier,
havsdrakar

QUESTION TWO

In the Book of Samuel, **which figure** is depicted as a young shepherd and skilled harpist who would play the instrument to soothe the ailing King Saul? In Ethiopian tradition, Menelik I is said to have brought this king's harp to Ethiopia, where it gave rise to an instrument called the begena.

ANS: David

Mandarin: Dàwèi wáng, Dáwèi, Duōhuì
fǎwáng, Dáwūdé, Dàpì

Polish: Dawid

QUESTION THREE

During the planning for the 1954 Guatemala coup, the CIA enlisted help from **which major American corporation** that felt threatened by President Arbenz's land reform programme?

ANS: United Fruit Company (accept United Brands Company, or Chiquita, its current name)

Mandarin: Liánhé Guǒpǐn Gōngsī

PLAYER THREE

QUESTION ONE

Alexandre Manette is a doctor who spends 18 years in the Bastille in the build up to the French Revolution after he learns the secrets of an aristocratic family in **which 1859 novel by Charles Dickens?**

ANS: A Tale of Two Cities

Danish: **To byer**

Dutch: accept **In Londen en Parijs, De Geschiedenis van Twee Steden**

French: Le **Conte de deux cités, Le Conte de deux villes, Paris et Londres** en 1793

German: **Eine Geschichte aus zwei Städten**

Mandarin: **Shuāngchéngjì**

Norwegian: **To byer**

Polish: **Opowieść o dwóch miastach**

Romanian: **Poveste despre două orașe**

Swedish: **Två städer**

QUESTION TWO

The name of **what language** describes the ‘room’ in the name of an influential thought experiment put forward by John Searle that attempts to show that we should not assume consciousness on the part of a computer regardless of how humanlike it might behave?

ANS: Chinese

Danish: Det **kinesiske** rum

Dutch: **Chinese** kamer, **Chinees**

French: chambre **chinoise**

German: **Chinesisches** Zimmer

Mandarin: **Zhōngwén** fángjiān

Norwegian: det **kinesiske** rommet

Polish: **Chiński** pokój

Romanian: camera **chinezească**

Swedish: Det **kinesiska** rummet

QUESTION THREE

Casimir’s successor, Louis, was succeeded in Hungary by his daughter Mary, but in Poland he was succeeded by **which other daughter** who became the first woman to be crowned as monarch in Poland in her own right? Her marriage to Władysław [vwa-DISS-wav] II Jagiełło [ya-GYEH-wah] was preceded by the Union of Krewo [KREV-oh], and led to Lithuania’s conversion to Christianity and began a union of the crowns of Poland and Lithuania.

ANS: Jadwiga Andegaweńska (or **Hedwig** of Poland or **Hedwig** of Anjou)

Danish: **Hedvig** af Polen

French: **Hedwige** d'Anjou

Mandarin: **Yǎdewéijīǎ**

Norwegian: St. **Hedvig** av Polen

Romanian: **Hedvig** av Polen

Swedish: **Hedvig** av Polen

PLAYER FOUR

QUESTION ONE

‘Åses død’ (‘The Death of Åse’); ‘Solvejgs sang’ (‘Solveig’s Song’); and ‘Bruderovet / Ingrid’s klage’ (‘The Abduction of the Bride / Ingrid’s Lament’) are titles of pieces that make up **what larger composition**, originally written as incidental music for a play and later compiled into two suites?

ANS: Peer Gynt by Edvard Grieg

Mandarin: Pí’ěr Jīn Zǔqǔ

QUESTION TWO

The concept of *orishas* in Candomblé and Santería is derived from that of the spirits of the same name in the belief system of **which West African people**? The religion of these people, who primarily live in southwestern Nigeria, is sometimes called Ìṣẹ̀ṣe.

ANS: Yorùbá

Mandarin: Yuēlǔbā rén
Norwegian: Jorubaer

Polish: Jorubowie

QUESTION THREE

Which medieval epic poem in four parts is considered the national epic of Armenia and tells the story of a hero who repels an invading Arab force?

ANS: Daredevils of Sassoun (or Sasna crêr, Sassountsi Davit)

Danish: Vovehalsene fra Sassoun, David fra Sasun
Dutch: Waaghalzen van Sassoun, David van Sassoun
French: David de Sassoun, Les enragés de Sassoun
German: Draufgänger aus Sasun, David von Sasun

Mandarin: Sàxùn de Dàwèi
Norwegian: David fra Sasun
Polish: Dawid z Sasunu
Romanian: David din Sasun, Temerarii din Sassoun
Swedish: Sasuns våghalsar, David från Sasun, David Sasuntsi

ROUND FIVE

PLAYER ONE

QUESTION ONE

Singlet oxygen, with all electron spins paired, is the first excited state of molecular oxygen. Unlike triplet oxygen, the more reactive singlet oxygen can participate in **what class of reactions** by acting as a dienophile [dye-EEN-oh-file]?

ANS: Diels–Alder reactions

Mandarin: Dǐěrsī–Ā'ěrdé fǎnyìng, shuāng xī jiā chéng fǎnyìng

Polish: Reakcja Dielsa-Aldera

QUESTION TWO

‘Z českých luhů a hájů’ (‘From Bohemia’s Woods and Fields’), ‘Vyšehrad’ (‘The High Castle’), and ‘Vltava’ (‘The Moldau’) are titles of symphonic poems that make up **what larger work**? The six pieces were originally written to be played individually but are commonly performed together, as one work in six movements.

ANS: Má vlast by Bedřich Smetana (or My Fatherland, My Country, My Homeland)

Danish: accept Mit fædreland

Dutch: accept Mijn Vaderland

French: accept Ma patrie

German: Mein Vaterland

Mandarin: Wǒ de Zǔguó

Norwegian: accept Mitt fedreland

Polish: Moja Ojczyzna

Romanian: accept Țara mea

Swedish: accept Mitt fosterland

QUESTION THREE

In 1958, the CIA sponsored a coup that failed to overthrow the government in **which country**, where they supported a rebel government known as the PRRI, whose leaders included Ahmad Hussein and Maludin Simbolon? Following the successful coup in this Asian country in 1965, the CIA supplied lists of communists to the army, leading to mass killings that particularly targeted communist party members.

ANS: Indonesia

Danish: Indonesien

Dutch: Indonesië

French: Indonésie

German: Indonesien

Mandarin: Yīndùníxīyà

Polish: Indonezja

Romanian: Indonezia

Swedish: Indonesien

PLAYER TWO

QUESTION ONE

Which 725-metre tall **inselberg** is situated in the town of Madalla, about 10 kilometres west of Nigeria's capital Abuja? An iconic feature of the landscape, it is featured on the 100 naira note.

ANS: **Zuma** Rock

Mandarin: **Zǔmǎ** yán

QUESTION TWO

What kind of number is defined as having the form $a + bi$ [$b i$], where a and b are both real numbers and i is the imaginary unit of root -1?

ANS: **complex** number

Danish: **komplekst** tal

Dutch: **complex** getal

French: nombre **complexe**

German: **komplexe** Zahl

Mandarin: **fùshù**

Norwegian: **komplekst** tall

Polish: Liczby **zespólone**

Romanian: număr **complex**

Swedish: **komplexa** tal

QUESTION THREE

Under the Tokugawa shogunate, eastern and western Japan operated different systems of coinage. In 1870, Emperor Meiji's government began the introduction of **what currency**, that remains in place to this day.

ANS: Japanese **yen** (or **JPY**)

Mandarin: Rì**yuán**, Rìběn **yuán**, Rì**bì**

Polish: **Jen**

PLAYER THREE

QUESTION ONE

Which Norwegian territory around 600 kilometres northeast of Iceland was hit with 10% tariffs alongside Svalbard? This territory has no permanent inhabitants and is named after a Dutch sefarer.

ANS: Jan Mayen

Mandarin: Yáng Mǎyán

QUESTION TWO

Which French graffiti artist began using stencils to create large-scale images of a rodent on the streets of Paris in the early 1980s and is considered the ‘father of stencil graffiti’?

ANS: Blek le Rat or Xavier Prou

Mandarin: Bùláikè·lèi·Lātè, Zéwéiyé·Pǔlǔ

QUESTION THREE

Written in medieval Greek, which 12th-century work is considered the only surviving Byzantine epic poem? Its title is the epithet of the hero, Basil, and refers to the frontier warriors in eastern Anatolia, the very edge of the Byzantine empire.

ANS: *Digenes Akritis* (or *Digenis Akritas*, *Digenes Akrites*)

French: *Digénis Akritas*

Mandarin: Díjínísī·Ākèlǐtè

Polish: Bazyli *Digenis Akritas*

PLAYER FOUR

QUESTION ONE

Jadwiga vied for the Polish crown with a Holy Roman Emperor with **what name**? That man had married Jadwiga's sister Mary, however the lords of Lesser Poland did not wish to have a German sovereign and Jadwiga's claim was successful. A later Polish king with the same name was known as 'the Old' and his son, also with this name, was the first ruler of the Polish–Lithuanian Commonwealth after the Union of Lublin.

ANS: Sigismund (or **Zygmunt**; accept **Sigismund** of Luxembourg, **Sigismund** I the Old, **Sigismund** II Augustus)

French: **Sigismond**

Mandarin: **Qígéméngtè, Xijísiméngdé**

QUESTION TWO

In a story from mythology of **which island** does a supernatural race of beings called Fomorians steal a harp, Uaithne [OO-an-yuh], (and/or the harpist, depending on the translation) from the great god Dagda?

ANS: Ireland (or **Éire**, **Irish** mythology)

Danish: **Irsk** mytologi, **Irland**
Dutch: **Ierse** mythologie, **Ierland**
French: mythologie celtique **irlandaise**, **Irlande**
German: **Irische** Mythologie, **Irland**

Mandarin: **Ài'ěrlán** shénhuà
Norwegian: **Irsk** mytologi, **Irland**
Polish: Mitologia **irludzka**, **Irlandia**
Romanian: Mitologia **irlandeză**, **Irlanda**
Swedish: **Irländsk** mytologi, **Irland**

QUESTION THREE

Rodion Raskolnikov is a law student who is eventually imprisoned in Siberia for the murder of a pawn broker and her sister in **which 1866 novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky**?

ANS: Crime and Punishment (or **Prestupleniye i nakazaniye**)

Danish: **Forbrydelse og straf**
Dutch: **Misdaad en straf**
French: **Crime et Châtiment**
German: **Schuld und Sühne, Verbrechen und Strafe**

Mandarin: **Zuì yǔ fá**
Norwegian: **Forbrytelse og straff**
Polish: **Zbrodnia i kara**
Romanian: **Crimă și pedeapsă**
Swedish: **Brott och straff**

TIEBREAKER ONE

QUESTION ONE

Siddhartha Gautama is the name of the figure central to **which major world religion?**

ANS: Buddhism

Danish: **Buddhisme**

Dutch: **Boeddhisme**

French: **Bouddhisme**

German: **Buddhismus**

Mandarin: **Fójiào**

Norwegian: **Buddhisme**

Polish: **Buddyzm**

Romanian: **Budism**

QUESTION TWO

What is the name of the village in the Navsari District, Gujarat that was the destination of Gandhi's Salt March in 1930?

ANS: Dandi

Mandarin: **Dāndí**

QUESTION THREE

La Fée aux Choux (*The Fairy of the Cabbages*) is an 1896 short film, generally considered to be the first film directed by a woman. **Who** was its director?

ANS: Alice Guy-Blaché

Mandarin: Àilìsī·Jūyī

TIEBREAKER TWO

QUESTION ONE

Corazon Aquino was the president of **which country** between 1986 and 1992?

ANS: Philippines

Danish: **Filippinerne**

Dutch: **Filipijnen**

German: **Philippinen**

Mandarin: **Fēilǔbīn**

Norwegian: **Filippinene**

Polish: **Filipiny**

Romanian: **Filipine**

Swedish: **Filippinerna**

QUESTION TWO

Urbain Le Verrier and John Couch [kooch] Adams independently predicted the existence of **which planet in our Solar System** in the 1840s?

ANS: Neptune

Danish: **Neptun**

Dutch: **Neptunus**

German: **Neptun**

Mandarin: **Hǎiwángxīng**

Norwegian: **Neptun**

Polish: **Neptun**

Romanian: **Neptun**

Swedish: **Neptunus**

QUESTION THREE

Graham Island and Moresby Island are the two largest islands in **which archipelago** in British Columbia, formerly known as the Queen Charlotte Islands, that is separated from the mainland by the Hecate Strait?

ANS: Haida Gwaii

Mandarin: **Hǎidá Guāyī**

TIEBREAKER THREE

NEAREST THE BULL

What is the interior area floor area of **St. Peter's Basilica** in the Vatican, measured in square metres?

ANS: 15,160 m²

SPARES

In the event of a spare being required, ask the player to pick a number between 1 and 3 and read the corresponding question

SPARE ONE

The codons UGU and UGC encode for **which amino acid** with a thiol side chain that was discovered in urine in 1884?

ANS: cysteine (or Cys or C)

Danish: cystein
Dutch: cysteïne
French: cystéine
German: Cystein

Mandarin: Bàn guāng ān suān

Norwegian: cystein
Polish: cysteina
Romanian: cisteină
Swedish: cystein

SPARE TWO

Aklilu Lemma was a physician who discovered an affordable preventative against bilharzia. Tewolde Berhan Gebre Egziabher was a scientist known for his work in safeguarding biodiversity. They are both celebrated scientists from **which country**?

ANS: Ethiopia

Danish: Etiopien
Dutch: Ethiopië
French: Éthiopie
German: Äthiopien
Mandarin: Āisāi'ébǐyǎ

Norwegian: Etiopia
Polish: Etiopia
Romanian: Etiopia
Swedish: Etiopien

SPARE THREE

Giovanni Verga's novel *Mastro-don Gesualdo* and Thomas Mann's novella *Der Tod in Venedig* (*Death in Venice*) are both set during an epidemic of **what contagious disease**, that also features prominently in a novel by Gabriel García Márquez?

ANS: cholera

Danish: kolera
French: choléra
Mandarin: huòluàn

Norwegian: kolera
Romanian: Holeră
Swedish: kolera