

# The April 14 News Quiz

1. Which US president was the first to be arrested and face criminal charges?

- Donald Trump.
- Bill Clinton.
- Richard Nixon.

2. How did the world learn about US plans to help Ukraine against a spring offensive?

- A Russian hacker leaked documents to WikiLeaks.
- A Discord user spilled the beans in a chatroom for gamers.
- A CIA agent left a briefcase full of papers in a Starbucks restroom.

3. When was the 14th Dalai Lama born?

- The year Disneyland opened.
- The year World War II ended.
- The year the world's first parking meter was installed.

4. Which island nation was once known as Formosa and is now home to this fierce Formosan black bear?

- Taiwan.
- Sri Lanka.
- Poohland.

5. Where is Elon Musk building Tesla's new factory to make Megapacks?

- Monterrey, Mexico.
- St. Petersburg, Russia.
- Shanghai, China.

6. Which of these is FALSE about Finland's Sanna Marin?

- She became the world's youngest leader in 2019.
- She opposed Finland's NATO entry.
- She was videoed singing, dancing, and drinking at a party.

7. At the 2023 Masters, Jon Rahm became the first golfer to accomplish what?

- First player to win the Masters on his birthday.
- First Spaniard to win the Masters.
- First European to win both the Masters and the US Open.

8. At the 2019 Masters, Tiger Woods won to become what?

- The first six-time Masters winner.
- The second-oldest winner.
- The first with a broken leg.

9. How many books are there in the original Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling?

- Five.
- Seven.
- Eight.

10. Who is the CEO of Endeavor Group Holdings, owner of UFC?

- Ari Gold.
- Rahm Emanuel.
- Ari Emanuel.

11. Who are the Italian-American plumber brothers who star in a 2023 animated film based on a popular video game franchise?

- The pizza-making plumbers.
- The Super Mario Bros.
- The Inferior Luigi Bros.

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Screenshot: Disney+

- The Mandalorian's 3rd season.
- The music video for Lizzo and Jack Black's duet.
- The upcoming Spaceballs reboot.



# Answers:

1. Which US president was the first to be arrested and face criminal charges?

- Donald Trump.

**Donald Trump was indicted by a grand jury in New York County on Mar. 30, 2023, on 34 counts of falsifying business records in the first degree.** The charges stem from [a hush-money payment his former fixer, Michael D. Cohen, paid to porn star Stormy Daniels](#) in 2016. Trump **was arrested on Apr. 4, 2023, at his Mar-a-Lago resort in Florida and flown to New York City by federal marshals. He pleaded not guilty and was released without posting bail.** His next court date is Dec. 4. The judge, Juan M. Merchan, [warned Trump's defense to refrain from statements that incite civil unrest.](#) This relates to [Trump's recent social media posts that threatened "death and destruction" if he was charged](#) and used racist language and images against the district attorney, Alvin L. Bragg. Trump is a candidate for the US presidency in 2024. [Gerald Ford pardoned Nixon after he resigned](#) in 1974. The Senate [acquitted Andrew Johnson of impeachment in 1868](#) and Clinton in 1998. However, Clinton was [barred from practicing law in Arkansas and before the Supreme Court.](#) Neither of them was ever arrested.

2. How did the world learn about the US plans to help Ukraine fend off a Russian invasion in 2023?

- A Discord user spilled the beans in a chatroom for gamers.

**A major leak of classified US documents that exposed details of its intelligence gathering started in a chatroom on a social media platform popular with gamers called Discord.** An anonymous poster shared the classified documents, [first typing them out, then posting images of papers.](#) The posts appear to have gone unnoticed until they began circulating on social media and were picked up by major news outlets. **The records have provided startling and timely details of US and NATO assistance to Ukraine, including an anticipated spring offensive. By April 11, 2023, the Pentagon claimed some of the leaked documents had been doctored.** The Associated Press interviewed a chat group member in which documents appeared for several months. He said the person who uploaded the documents did not appear driven by ideology. He also said [he had copies of hundreds of pages of files and would leak them all if the original poster was arrested.](#)

3. When was the 14th Dalai Lama born?

- The year the world's first parking meter was installed.

The 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, [was born on July 6, 1935.](#) He is Tibet's spiritual leader and describes himself as a simple Buddhist monk. **On April 10, 2023, the 87-year-old Dalai Lama apologized for asking a boy to "suck his tongue" at a public event in India in**

**late February.** In a video that has become viral, a young student approached a microphone at the event [and asked the Dalai Lama: "Can I hug you?"](#) The Dalai Lama told the boy to come up to the stage. After the child kisses the Dalai Lama on the cheek and hugs him, the Dalai Lama holds onto the boy, saying, "I think here also," kissing his lips. ["And suck my tongue,"](#) the Dalai Lama added, sticking out his tongue forehead to forehead with the young student. When the boy moved away, [the Dalai Lama pulled him in for another hug](#) as the audience laughed. The controversy [prompted an apology from the Dalai Lama's office](#), which **said his behavior was "innocent and playful,"** adding, "His Holiness wishes to apologize to the boy and his family... he regrets the incident."

4. Which island nation was once known as Formosa and is now home to this fierce Formosan black bear?

- Taiwan.

Taiwan is an island nation in East Asia that was [formerly called Formosa by Portuguese explorers in the 16th century](#). The [Formosan black bear](#) is an endangered subspecies of black bear native to Taiwan and is seen as a symbol of Taiwanese identity. **A patch depicting a Formosan black bear holding Taiwan's flag and punching Winnie-the-Pooh, representing China's president Xi Jinping, has become viral online as a defiant gesture against China's military drills around Taiwan in April 2023.** Winnie-the-Pooh is often used as an internet meme to [mock Xi Jinping and is censored in China](#).

5. Where is Elon Musk building Tesla's new factory to make Megapacks, the huge batteries that can keep the lights on for thousands of homes?

- Shanghai, China.

**Elon Musk announced plans to build an upcoming factory in Shanghai, China, on April 9, 2023. The factory will annually produce 10,000 megapacks - Tesla's energy storage products that stabilize energy grids and prevent power outages.** Building work on the proposed factory is expected to begin later this year, [with battery production due to begin by the summer of 2024](#). The new factory will [supplement Tesla's existing Megapack plant in California](#), producing another 10,000 units annually. Tesla has announced plans for another [overseas plant in Monterrey, Mexico](#), but not a Megapack plant.

6. Which of these is FALSE about Finland's Sanna Marin?

- She opposed Finland's NATO entry.

Sanna Marin became [the world's youngest leader when she took office as Finland's Prime Minister in 2019](#) at age 34. She headed a coalition of five parties, all led by women. Marin was [widely praised for steering Finland toward its imminent NATO entry](#) and navigating her country through the Covid-19 pandemic. However, she was scrutinized in 2022 when [a video emerged of the young PM singing, dancing, and drinking at a party](#). **While all mainstream parties in Finland backed NATO membership, Sanna Marin's center-left Social Democrats**

**(SDP) garnered just 19.9% of Finland's Apr. 2, 2023, election vote and secured second place.** The right-wing Finns Party achieved the highest result in its history with 20.1% of the vote and won more regions than any other party in mainland Finland. **Petteri Orpo's center-right National Coalition Party won with 20.8%. Orpo is set to become Finland's next prime minister.** He has two choices: [forming a right-wing coalition with Riikka Purra's nationalist Finns Party](#) or [negotiating with Sanna Marin's Social Democrats](#). Finland officially [joined NATO on Apr. 5, 2023](#).

7. At the 2023 Masters, Jon Rahm became the first golfer to accomplish what?

- First European to win both the Masters and the US Open.

**Jon Rahm, born in Spain, won his first major title at the US Open in 2021.** He **won his second major title and first green jacket at the 2023 Masters on April 9. He became the first European golfer to achieve this feat.** Rahm joins an elite group of Americans who have won both majors, such as Jack Nicklaus, Tiger Woods, and Phil Mickelson. He also [became the fourth Spaniard to win the Masters](#), joining Sergio Garcia, José María Olazábal, and Seve Ballesteros. He won on Ballesteros's 66th birthday. [Ballesteros died in 2011 and was Rahm's idol](#) and a two-time Masters champion in 1980 and 1983.

8. In 2019, Tiger Woods became what at the Masters?

- The second-oldest Masters winner.

**Tiger Woods won his fifth green jacket in 2019, at 43,** becoming [the second-oldest Masters winner](#). The oldest Masters winner is [Jack Nicklaus, who was 46 when he won his sixth green jacket in 1986](#). Woods's 2019 victory was [his first major title in 11 years](#) after overcoming multiple injuries and personal issues. He is currently still [recovering from another car crash in 2021](#) that left him with severe leg injuries. **Woods appeared on Apr. 6 at the 2023 Masters, battling injury concerns with his back and foot. He withdrew before the third round resumed on Apr. 9, ending his streak of completing every round he has played at Augusta National.**

9. How many books are there in the original Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling?

- Seven, one for each year of Harry's Hogwarts adventures.

J.K. Rowling wrote seven books in the main Harry Potter series, [each covering one year of Harry's adventures at Hogwarts](#). The series started with Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone in 1997 and ended with Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows in 2007. Rowling also wrote nine other books related to the Harry Potter universe, but they are not part of the main series. **On April 4, 2023, Bloomberg reported that Warner Bros. and HBO Max are talking with Rowling to create a streaming TV series based on the original books. The series**

would have seven seasons, one for each book, **and Rowling would be a producer with creative control**. However, the project sparked controversy among some fans and activists who criticized Rowling's views on transgender issues.

10. Who is the CEO of Endeavor Group Holdings, owner of UFC?

- Ari Emanuel.

Ari Emanuel is [a big-shot Hollywood agent and the co-founder of Endeavor Talent Agency, which merged with William Morris Agency in 2009](#). He is also [the real-life inspiration for Ari Gold](#), the charismatic agent on HBO's Entourage. **On Apr. 2, 2023, he announced a \$21 billion deal to acquire WWE from Vince McMahon and combine it with the UFC to create a combat-entertainment powerhouse**. He is also the brother of Rahm Emanuel, the former mayor of Chicago and White House chief of staff under Barack Obama.

11. Who are the Italian-American plumber brothers who star in a 2023 animated film based on a popular video game franchise?

- The Super Mario Bros.

Mario and Luigi are [the main characters of Nintendo's Mario video game series](#), which debuted in 1981 with Donkey Kong. They are also the protagonists of [The Super Mario Bros. Movie](#), a 2023 computer-animated film produced by Illumination, Universal Pictures, and Nintendo. **The film** features an origin story for the brothers, who are transported to an alternate world. It **was released in the US on Apr. 5, 2023**, and is scheduled for Japan on Apr. 28. **On its opening weekend, the Super Mario Bros Movie took \$377m (£304m) worldwide**. US cinemas [recorded \\$204.6m in box office sales](#). This means the Mario movie **has broken the record for opening weekends for both video game adaptations (beating Warcraft's \$210m) and animated films (beating Frozen 2's \$358m)**. It also makes it [the second biggest three-day US animated opening \(behind Finding Dory\)](#). **Fun Fact:** The film's post-credits scene hints at [a sequel featuring a cracking Yoshi-Egg](#).

12. Where is this image from?

- The Mandalorian's 3rd season.

**This image shows Lizzo and Jack Black as the Duchess and Captain Bombardier of Plazir-15, a fictional planet in the Star Wars universe. They appeared as guest stars in The Mandalorian Season 3 Episode 6/Chapter 22, released on April 5, 2023, on Disney+.** The episode also featured [another celebrity cameo by Christopher Lloyd](#) as Commissioner Helgait, Plazir-15's head of security. Lizzo and Jack Black [celebrated their Star Wars debut on social media](#) by posting photos of themselves with Grogu merchandise and each other.