ROUND 1: FOOD

TRUE OR FALSE: BEN & JERRY'S MAKES ICE CREAM FOR DOGS.

True!

In 2021 Ben & Jerry's started marketing <u>Doggie Desserts</u> in two flavors: Pontch's Mix made with peanut butter and pretzel pieces, and Rosie's batch is a pumpkin-flavored frozen dessert with mini cookies.

WHICH OF THESE ARE THE INGREDIENTS FOR A MARGARITA? Tequila, limes, and orange liqueur.

A <u>Margarita cocktail consists of tequila, orange liqueur, and lime juice</u>. It is often served with salt on the rim of the glass, with or without ice.

3. IN THE US, WHAT IS THE TOP PRODUCING STATE OF BEE HONEY? North Dakota.

North Dakota is the top-producing US state of bee honey.

IN RUSSIA, SPARKLING WINE CAN BE CALLED CHAMPAGNE ONLY IF IT COMES FROM WHERE?

Russia.

According to a new Russian law adopted on Friday, Jul. 2, 2021, wine manufacturers can only use Champagne for Russian wine.

WHAT IS THE TRADITIONAL MENU FOR JUNETEENTH? Red food.

Traditional <u>Juneteenth foods and drinks are red</u> and include the <u>Red Velvet cake, red strawberry soda or lemonade</u>, and red hibiscus-tinged punch.

IN 2020 MCDONALD'S LED US BURGER RESTAURANT CHAINS IN SALES. WHO WAS NUMBER 2?

Wendy's

According to Technomic data and reported by Restaurant Business, <u>In 2020, Wendy surpassed Burger King to become the US No. 2 burger chain by sales</u>.

ROUND 2: HISTORY

WHAT WERE THE GENEVA SUMMITS OF 1955 AND 1985? They were an effort to ease the cold war.

Meeting in Geneva in 1955 and 1985, the US and the Soviet Union leaders sought to ease the Cold War.

WHO COMMITTED THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE DURING WORLD WAR I? The Ottoman Empire.

The Armenian genocide was the systematic killing and deportation of around 1 million Armenians by the Ottoman Empire (modern-day Turkey) during World War I (1915-1917).

BACK IN JOSEPH STALIN'S DAYS, WHAT WAS THE CELL (AKA KAMERA)? A secret poison lab.

Kamera (which means "The Cell" in Russian) was the poison laboratory of the Soviet secret services, operating from the first years of the Soviet Union until the late 1990s.

WHAT ARE THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS?
Fragments of biblical texts dating back 2,000 years.

The <u>Dead Sea Scrolls are ancient fragments of biblical texts dating back almost 2,000 years</u> and thought to have been hidden during a <u>Jewish revolt against Rome</u>.

5. THE WORD INAUGURATION STEMS FROM THE LATIN AUGUR. WHAT DID THAT MEAN ORIGINALLY?

Interpreting the will of the gods.

The word inauguration <u>stems from the Latin augur</u> - the rituals of ancient Roman priests interpreting if it was the gods' will for a public official to assume office.

6 WHERE DID THE WORD AMAZON ORIGINATE? It's derived from the Persian word for warrior.

The word "Amazon," meaning "warrior," is likely rooted in the Persian (Iranian) language.

ROUND 3: ANIMALS

TRUE OR FALSE: A COELACANTH FISH MAY LIVE UP TO 100 YEARS.

True.

The coelacanth fish, nicknamed a "living fossil," <u>can live for 100 years</u>, a new study published Thursday, Jun. 17, 2021, in Current Biology, found.

THIS YELLOW-HEADED CARACARA IS SITTING ON WHICH ANIMAL? Capybara (a rodent).

Pictured is a capybara, a giant rodent native to South America.

3. WHAT IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST LIZARD? Komodo dragon.

The komodo dragon is the world's most giant lizard.

THE KOALAS BELONG TO THE SAME ANIMAL KINGDOM AS WHICH ANIMAL? Kangaroos.

The koala is a marsupial native to Australia - Just like the Kangaroo. Koalas are not bears.

5 BIDENS' DOG MAJOR MADE HISTORY AS WHAT? The first animal shelter dog to live in the White House.

Bidens' dog Major is the first animal shelter dog to live in the White House.

6 WHAT IS THE WORLD'S MOST ILLEGALLY TRADED WILD MAMMAL? Pangolin.

<u>Pangolins are the most illegally traded wild mammals on the planet.</u> They are poached for their meat and their scales which Traditional Asian Medicine practitioners use.

ROUND 4: WORLD COUNTRIES

TRUE OR FALSE: PARIS'S ARC DE TRIOMPHE MONUMENT GOT WRAPPED IN 2021?

True.

On Sept. 12, 2021, a team of 95 rope technicians began <u>wrapping Paris's Arc de Triomphe</u> in 25,000 sq. meters of material, concluding a <u>60-year project for the artist Christo</u>.

WHERE IS THE FAMOUS LITTLE MERMAID SCULPTURE DISPLAYED? Copenhagen, Denmark.

Edvard Eriksen's famous <u>The Little Mermaid bronze statue has been displayed on a rock by the waterside in Copenhagen, Denmark, since 1913</u>, representing the story of Danish writer Hans Christian Andersen.

3. NEW ZEALAND IS IN THE PACIFIC. WHERE IS (OLD) ZEELAND? The Netherlands.

In 1643 Dutch <u>cartographers named the newly discovered islands Nova Zeelandia</u>, after <u>the Dutch province of Zeeland</u> (in the Netherlands). This name was later anglicized to New Zealand.

WHERE IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST CORAL REEF SYSTEM?

Australia.

<u>Australia's Great Barrier Reef is the world's most extensive coral reef system</u>, composed of over 2,900 individual reefs and 900 islands, stretching for over 2,300 kilometers over an area of about 344,400 square kilometers.

CRETE IS GREECE'S LARGEST ISLAND. WHICH IS THE SECOND LARGEST? Euboea (or Evia).

Euboea (or <u>Evia</u>) is <u>Greece's second-largest island</u>, the closest to Athens, and <u>a favorite</u> holiday destination for the <u>Greek capital's residents</u>.

6. KABUL IS THE CAPITAL OF WHICH COUNTRY? Afghanistan.

Kabul is the capital city of Afghanistan.

ROUND 5: ARTS

WHAT'S THE NAME OF BANKSY'S HALF SHREDDED PAINTING? "Love is in the Bin."

"Love is in the Bin" is the shredded 2018 copy of Banksy's 2006 painting of what was then known as "Girl with Balloon."

2. IN WHICH ARCHITECTURAL STYLE WAS NEW YORK'S RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL DESIGNED?

Art Deco.

Radio City Music Hall was designed in Art Deco architectural style.

3. WHO PAINTED THE FAMOUS LE BASSIN AUX NYMPHÉAS?

Claude Monet <u>painted the famous Water Lilies series</u>, including the 1919 piece <u>Le Bassin Aux Nymphéas</u> (Water Lily Pond).

HOW MANY PAINTINGS DID THE ASPIRING ARTIST AND UK LEADER WINSTON CHURCHILL COMPLETE DURING WORLD WAR II?

One.

The Moroccan landscape "Tower of the Koutoubia Mosque" is <u>the only painting Britain's</u> World War II leader completed during the 1939-45 conflict.

5. WHO WAS MAYA ANGELOU? An American poet.

Maya Angelou is an <u>American poet and civil rights activist</u> who received the presidential medal of freedom from Barack Obama and the national award of arts from Bill Clinton. She also spoke at the latter's inauguration.

6. WHERE WAS JAZZ PIANIST CHICK COREA BORN? In North America.

R.I.P Jazz legend <u>Chick Corea</u>. <u>Born in Chelsea, Massachusetts, Corea died on Feb. 9, 2021,</u> at 79.

ROUND 6: BOOKS

TRUE OR FALSE: "V FOR VENDETTA" AND "WATCHMEN" WERE WRITTEN BY THE SAME AUTHOR?

True.

"V for Vendetta" and "Watchmen" were <u>authored by English writer Alan Moore</u>, who some regard as the best comics writer in the English language.

2 WHAT'S JOHN LE CARRÉ'S LAST COMPLETED SPY NOVEL? Silverview.

"Silverview" is John le Carré's 26th and last completed novel.

3 DR. SEUSS WAS A DOCTOR (PH.D.) OF WHAT? He wasn't a real doctor.

Theodor Seuss Geisel adopted the "Dr. Seuss" pen name <u>because his father wanted him to practice medicine</u>. He wasn't a real doctor.

ANNIE LEIBOVITZ'S NEW BOOK "WONDERLAND" IS AN ANTHOLOGY OF IMAGES SHOT MAINLY FOR WHICH MAGAZINE?

Vogue.

Annie Leibovitz's new book <u>"Wonderland"</u> is an anthology of fashion images shot mainly for <u>Vogue magazine</u>.

WHAT'S THE TITLE OF WILL SMITH'S 2021 MEMOIR?

The title of Will Smith's 2021 memoir is "Will."

6. WHICH CULTURAL PHENOMENA FEATURED THE CHARACTER OF KUNTA KINTE?

1976's Roots: The Saga of an American Family.

Kunta Kinte is <u>a character in the 1976 novel Roots: The Saga of an American Family</u> by Alex Haley.

ROUND 7: SPORTS

TRUE OR FALSE: CHINA WON THE MOST OLYMPIC MEDALS IN THE TOKYO 2020 GAMES?

False.

Team <u>USA collected one-third of all of the medals at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics</u> - with a total of 113, 39 of them golden. Team <u>China came second with 88 medals</u>, 38 of them gold.

WHICH TEAMS WERE IN THE 2021 SUPER BOWL? The Kansas City Chiefs and Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

The 2021 Super Bowl championship was played between the Kansas City Chiefs and Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sunday, Feb. 7.

3. WHY WAS SERENA WILLIAMS FORCED TO RETIRE FROM HER FIRST-ROUND MATCH AT WIMBLEDON 2021 TOURNAMENT?
Injuries suffered when she slipped on wet grass.

Serena <u>Williams injured her ankle after slipping on the wet grass</u> on Monday, Jun. 28. Williams then had to retire from her first-round Wimbledon 2021 match.

WHO IS THE OLDEST MALE ATHLETE TO EVER MAKE IT TO THE WIMBLEDON QUARTERFINALS IN THE MODERN OPEN ERA?

Roger Federer.

Roger Federer broke the age record for quarterfinalists in the Open era (since 1968) held by Ken Rosewall, who was 39 years, 224 days old on the final day of the '74 Wimbledon tournament. Federer was 39 years, 337 days old on the last day of this year's event.

ARGENTINA WON THE COPA AMERICA FOR THE 15TH TIME. WHICH OTHER COUNTRY SHARES THE RECORD?

Uruguay.

Argentina <u>tied Uruguay's all-time leading Copa America record</u> with their <u>15th Copa America triumph on Saturday</u>, <u>Jul.</u> 10, 2021, over Brazil 1-0.

6 HOW MANY TIMES IN HIS NBA CAREER WAS LEBRON JAMES SUSPENDED? Once.

LeBron James of the Los Angeles Lakers <u>has been suspended for one game on Nov. 22, 2021,</u> making it the first suspension in his 19-year career.

ROUND 8: SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TRUE OR FALSE: ACCORDING TO BARACK OBAMA, IS THERE A LAB WHERE THE US IS KEEPING ALIEN SPECIMENS AND SPACESHIPS?

No.

Speaking during an appearance on "The Late Late Show with James Corden," former

President Barack Obama said: "When I came into office, I asked, is there a lab somewhere
where we're keeping the alien specimens and spaceship?. They did a little bit of research,
and the answer is no."

2 WHAT ARE AIRTAGS? A personal location device.

Apple introduced AirTags, a coin-like personal location device, on Tuesday, Apr. 20, 2021.

3. WHO WAS THE FIRST PERSON IN HISTORY TO TAKE OFF IN HIS OWN SPACESHIP?

Richard Branson.

On Sunday, Jul. 11, 2021, billionaire <u>Richard Branson became the first person to blast off in his own spaceship, VSS. Unity</u>, beating Jeff Bezos, the wealthiest person on the planet, by nine days.

WHAT IS THE INGENUITY HELICOPTER? The first helicopter on Mars.

The <u>Ingenuity helicopter</u>, which <u>landed on Mars with Perseverance on Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021</u>, is the <u>first helicopter ever sent to another planet</u>.

WHICH WINDOWS VERSION DID MICROSOFT DUB "THE LAST VERSION OF WINDOWS"?

Windows 10.

With the release of <u>Windows 10</u> back in 2015, Microsoft was clear that this would be "the last version of Windows." <u>Microsoft announced Windows 11 on Thursday, Jun. 24, 2021.</u>

6. WHO IS SARAH GILBERT, WHO HAS A NEW BARBIE DOLL MADE IN HER FIGURE?

Co-creator of the Oxford/AstraZeneca Covid-19 vaccine.

Prof. Sarah Gilbert led the development of the Oxford/AstraZeneca Covid vaccine.

ROUND 9: MUSIC

TRUE OR FALSE: IS BEYONCÉ THE MOST HONORED WOMAN IN THE HISTORY OF THE GRAMMY AWARDS?

Yes!

<u>Beyoncé won her 28th Grammy</u> on Sunday, Mar. 14, 2021, passing the bluegrass musician Alison Krauss to become <u>the most honored woman in Grammys history</u>.

2. WHICH SINGING SENSATION OWNS THIS FACE? The Weekend

Canadian singer <u>The Weeknd sports some disturbing alterations to his face</u> — seemingly, extreme plastic surgery — in the video for his new song, "<u>Save Your Tears</u>," that premiered Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021.

3. WHICH ARTIST HAD THE MOST SONGS EVER ON THE BILLBOARD HOT 100 CHART?

Drake

Singer <u>Drake has logged the most songs on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, with 232 entrees</u> and 45 Top 10 hits.

AFTER WHO DID KANYE WEST NAME HIS 10TH STUDIO ALBUM? His mother.

Kanye West's 10th studio album is <u>titled Donda</u>, <u>after West's late mother</u>, Dr. Donda C. West, a <u>professor of English at Clark Atlanta University and the Chair of the English Department at Chicago State University, until retiring to serve as his manager</u>. She died in 2007, at the age of 58, after undergoing a cosmetic procedure.

WHAT'S THE TITLE OF DRAKE'S 2021 ALBUM? "Certified Lover Boy."

The title of Drake's sixth full-length album is "Certified Lover Boy." Drake confirmed the album's Friday, Sept. 3, 2021, release date in an Instagram post.

WHERE WAS BTS'S NEW PERMISSION TO DANCE MUSIC VIDEO FILMED? The United Nations.

On Sept. 20, 2021, <u>BTS unveiled a new music video for its single</u>, "<u>Permission to Dance</u>," filmed at UN Headquarters in New York.

ROUND 10: MOVIES

WHICH CHARACTER APPEARED FIRST ON THE BIG SCREEN: GODZILLA OR KING KONG?

King Kong.

King Kong (<u>initially appeared in a 1933 movie</u>) and Godzilla (<u>originally from a Japanese 1954 film</u>) made their first cinematic standoff in 2021's <u>Godzilla vs. Kong</u> that hit theaters and HBO Max simultaneously on Mar. 26.

WHAT RECORD DID CHINA-BORN CHLOÉ ZHAO BREAK AT THE 2021 OSCARS? First woman of color to win best director.

Chloé Zhao became the first woman of color to win the best director at the 2021 Academy Awards. She is also the youngest woman to win the award.

3. WHAT'S MISSING FROM EMMA STONE'S DEPICTION OF DISNEY VILLAIN CRUELLA DE VIL IN THE 2021 MOVIE CRUELLA?

A cigarette holder.

While Cruella de Vil's original attire includes all of the above, the <u>2021 Cruella lacks the iconic cigarette holder</u> featured in the original animated version of the beloved villain.

HOW MANY FULL-FEATURED FILMS DID QUENTIN TARANTINO DIRECT UP UNTIL 2021?

9.

Counting from Reservoir Dogs to Once Upon a Time in Hollywood, <u>Quentin Tarantino directed nine full-featured films</u>.

WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE CHARACTER SCARLETT JOHANSSON PORTRAYS IN BLACK WIDOW?

Natasha Romanoff.

<u>Natasha Romanoff</u> is the fictional character portrayed by Scarlett Johansson in the Marvel Universe film franchise — known by her alter ego, Black Widow.

6 IN WHICH CITY DOES THE '80S MOVIE HIT GHOSTBUSTERS TAKE PLACE? The Big Apple.

1984's movie hit Ghostbusters takes place in New York City, AKA The Big Apple.