



## Quizmaster pack

### Featuring:

- The quizmaster script
- Quiz questions and answers
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  - Tiebreaker questions

Hello – and welcome to your quizmaster pack! It's been designed to ensure that being the master of ceremonies at your Big Quiz Night is both fun and easy.

You can use the following script as a guide to help you host your quiz. You can read it out word for word, improvise a bit – or come up with something else entirely!

# Quizmaster script

Before you begin, make sure everyone can see and hear you.  
Fog horns and high-vis jackets optional.

## Welcome

Good evening and welcome to the Big Quiz Night! My name is **[your name here]** and I'm so glad you've been able to join us for what I'm sure will be a brilliant evening.

Tonight, we're part of something special. Across the UK, hundreds of churches and thousands of people are doing the same thing we are – getting together for a great cause.

Tearfund is a Christian charity that's passionate about ending global poverty. For more than fifty years, they've been working alongside local church partners to empower communities to create a better future for themselves. And it's only thanks to events like this and people like you that this vital work is possible. So, on behalf of all the staff over at Tearfund, thank you (make sure you check your emails for a special thank-you film!).

The quiz has [insert number of rounds you've decided to do] rounds, each with six questions, focusing on the following themes **[delete/add as necessary]**: historical firsts, geography, science abbreviations, art and literature, sports, current events, music by any other name, and a brand new 'special' round: Potato, Pear, Apple or Banana?

Halfway through the quiz we'll take a short break. Before we do, we'll watch a film about **xxxx**. Every penny raised tonight will go towards transforming the lives of people like **[him/her/ them]**. Please give whatever you can. To donate, you can go online to our JustGiving page **[read out the URL/show the QR code]**.

Thank you. Now, that's enough preamble – on with the quiz!

**[Note: After each round, allow time to swap answer sheets or allow teams to self-mark and report back on their scores. Feel free to give updates on running totals throughout the quiz.]**

## Half-time break

Now, we're going to find out more about why we're all here tonight. Before we take a break, we're going to take a few minutes to watch **xxxx's** story together. People like **[him/her]** are the reason why we do this. I'll share the link to our JustGiving page with you all now, and I encourage you to donate generously if you're able to. Any amount, big or small, will make a huge difference to people living in desperate need.

**[Watch case-study film.]**

Now we're going to take ten minutes for a break. Grab some food or drink [if available], walk around, stretch, and don't be tempted to spend the whole time studying an encyclopaedia.

## Second half

**[Note: Check the Big Quiz Night dashboard ([tearfund.org/xxx](https://tearfund.org/xxx)) for the live fundraising totals.]**

Welcome back everyone! I hope you had a good break and are raring to go again. While you get yourself psyched up, I'm just going to update you on the amount raised so far, which is an amazing **£[xxx]** from our quiz, and **£[xxx]** from around the UK. Thank you so much! If you haven't already done so, please consider donating to this great cause.

Now, here comes the next round!

## End of quiz

And that's it for the questions tonight! Now, talk among yourselves while we quickly tally the scores.

## The scores

**[Note: It's up to you whether you name just the 'podium' finishes, as below, or give every team their place.]**

I won't keep you in suspense any longer. The scores are in. Drumroll please...

In third place, we have **[team name]**. Great job!

In second place, **[team name]**. So close but so far!

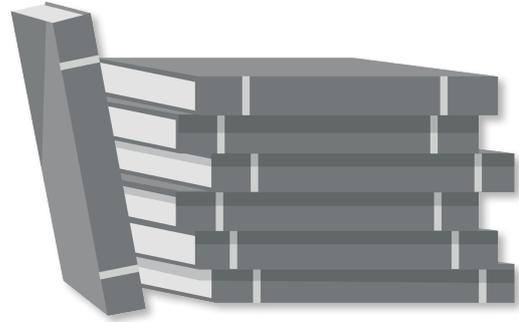
And in first place, our winners tonight: **[team name]**! Congratulations!

Well done to everyone. Give yourselves a round of applause and a nice pat on the back.

We're so grateful that you've been able to come along tonight. We hope you've had a great evening. Thanks to your generous support, we've raised **£[xxx]** here so far, and overall **£[xxx]** has been raised across the UK – which is going to make a huge difference for a lot of people around the world. You can still donate to Tearfund via our JustGiving page **[read out the URL/show the QR code]**.

Until next time, goodbye!

# Quiz Questions



## Art & Literature

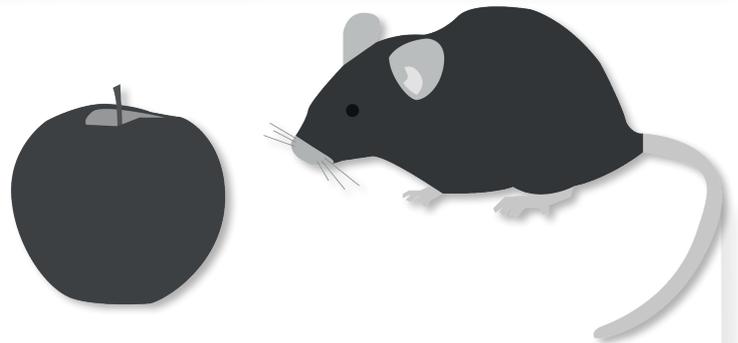
1. **Matilda by Roald Dahl:** 'These books gave Matilda a hopeful and comforting message, "You are not \_\_\_\_." alone
2. **The Tale Of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter:** 'Once upon a time there were four little Rabbits, and their names were – Flopsy, Mopsy, \_\_\_\_\_, and Peter.' Cottontail
3. **The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins:** 'Happy Hunger Games! And may the \_\_\_\_ be forever in your favour.' odds
4. **A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens:** 'It was the best of times, it was the \_\_\_\_ \_ \_\_\_\_.' worst of times
5. **The Color Purple by Alice Walker:** '\_\_\_\_ moves slowly, but passes quickly.' Time
6. **The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson:** 'All was quiet in the deep dark wood. The \_\_\_\_ found a nut and the nut was good...' mouse

## Current Events

1. **Which French electronic music duo, famous for never revealing their faces, split up in 2021?** Daft Punk
2. **In February 2021, NASA's Perseverance Rover touched down on which extraterrestrial object?** A: Mars, B: One of Saturn's moons, C: An asteroid, D: A comet
3. **The fastest-selling album of 2021 was by which singer?** Adele
4. **In October 2021, the World Health Organisation endorsed the first vaccine for which disease?** Malaria
5. **20 years after the first book in the series was published, which author finished her Young Adult series, Noughts and Crosses, in 2021 with the final book End Game?** Malorie Blackman
6. **Which surprising type of folk music stormed the charts after The Wellerman Song went viral on TikTok?** Sea shanties

## Geography

1. **Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa, is in which country?** Tanzania
2. **What Scottish city is affectionately known as 'The Granite City'?** Aberdeen
3. **Which European capital spans across 14 islands?** Stockholm
4. **Victoria Falls is located on the border of Zambia and which other African country?** A: Zimbabwe B: Tanzania C: Bolivia D: South Africa
5. **The largest lake in the British Isles lies in Northern Ireland. What is its name?** A: Loch Lomond B: Lough Neagh C: Lough Erne D: Kielder Water
6. **Which Italian-style village in North Wales was built by Sir Clough Williams-Ellis and featured in the 1960s TV show, The Prisoner?** A: Porthmadog B: Penclawdd C: Portmeirion D: Pontfaen





## Historical firsts

1. In 2016 who was the first woman to win a Grammy Award for best album twice? Taylor Swift
2. Which pioneering British-Jamaican nurse & businesswoman set up the 'British Hotel' behind the lines during the Crimean war? Mary Seacole
3. Which Brazilian footballer was the first to score 1,000 professional goals? Pelé
4. Parisians Marquis d'Arlandes and Pilâtre de Rozier were the first people to fly using what type of aircraft? A: Glider B: Parachute C: An airship D: A hot air balloon
5. Which of these inventions came first: the motorcycle, telephone, safety razor or lift/elevator? Elevator
6. Which Italian astronomer was the first person to see the moon's surface? Galileo Galilei

## Music & Film

1. What classic rock n' roll song definitely wasn't called Prison Boulder? Jailhouse Rock
2. Which successful CGI animated movie that spawned three sequels could have been called Plaything Narrative? Toy Story
3. Everyone can join in with this one, Merry Delivery Date, but what should you be singing? Happy Birthday
4. What 1971 anthem could have been retitled Flan From the United States? American Pie
5. What comedy children's film left someone to Shelter Solo? Home Alone
6. What 2019 animated film left the heroes Chilled Again? Frozen II



## Sports

1. The Africa Cup of Nations is a competition in which sport? Football
2. Which of these was not an event at the London Olympic Games in 1908? A: Tug of war B: Gymnastics C: Football D: Synchronised swimming
3. In what tournament is the Webb Ellis Trophy awarded? The Rugby World Cup
4. In wrestling, what does the E in WWE stand for? A: Entertainment B: Enterprise C: Empire D: Europe
5. Which water sport uses the terms Pike Position and Tuck Position? Diving
6. Where is the next Olympic Games (2024) set to take place? Paris

## Science & Nature

1. What does the A in DNA stand for? Acid
2. What does the letter G in 4G or 5G stand for? A. Grade, B. Generation, C. Group  
D: Generating
3. What does the S in PS5 stand for? Station
4. What does the N in the explosive TNT stand for? Nitro
5. What is the two-letter representation of gold on the periodic table of chemical elements? Au
6. In a sleep cycle what does REM stand for?  
Rapid eye movement

## Potato, Pear, Apple or Banana

1. In the Middle Ages bananas were known as what 'of paradise'? Apple
2. If you put a pear and an apple in a bucket of water, which would float? A: Both B: Neither  
C: Apple only D: Pear only
3. A Fuji is a type of what? Apple
4. What is the Portuguese word for banana?  
Banana
5. Potatoes originate from which mountain range? Andes
6. A Bartlett is a type of what? Pear

## Tiebreaker questions

If Dr No is Bond 1, what is No Time To Die? A: Bond 25  
(accept closest without going above)

The Child in the Star Wars TV series The Mandalorian is called Grogu, but what is he more popularly known as?  
A: Baby Yoda

The UK Eurovision Song Contest entry for 2021, Embers, written by James Newman, came in what position?  
A: 26th (last, with nul points)

Why didn't the Norwegian men's lightweight double sculls team win any medals at the Tokyo Olympics?  
A: Their boat sank

## It's your round!

This is your quiz and your opportunity to be inventive and create your own round or challenge. So feel free to adapt the quiz to suit your evening and audience. Here are a few ideas to start you off...

**Local landmarks...** If your teams come from the same town, you could take some close-up photos of ten local attractions and see if teams can correctly identify the landmark for one point each. You can either leave them free to guess without the names or match the photo to the named attractions. (This can be done online or offline.)

**I'll name that crisp...** On each table, put out bowls with a selection of six types of crisps. The teams then have to taste the snacks and either match them to a flavour (for example, cheese and onion, prawn cocktail, Worcester sauce) and/or to a variety of crisp (for example, Wotsits, Monster Munch, Space Raiders). They get one point for each correctly identified snack. (This will only work in person.)

How many failed prototypes did Sir James Dyson produce before producing the first working Dyson vacuum cleaner?  
A: 1; B: 5,126; C:28,765; D: 12

Which world-famous thinker and scientist didn't speak until he was four years old? A: Albert Einstein

Dick Rowe from Decca Recording Studios rejected which British pop band, stating, 'guitar groups were on their way out'? A: The Beatles

Which famous orator got a C in his public speaking course during his first year of seminary school in Pennsylvania?  
A: Martin Luther King Jr

**Gargling Karaoke...** This was a great idea from one of our teams last year. The host of the quiz (that's you!) selects ten well-known tunes (for example, *Happy Birthday*, *Auld Lang Syne*, *Twinkle Twinkle*) or something a bit more tricky... then gargles the tune for the teams to guess the song. (This can be done online or offline at a safe distance from the gargler.)

**Call of the wild...** Find a selection of ten animal calls or sounds from the internet and play them to your teams. They then have to correctly guess the species. To give teams a clue, you could offer a helpful hint such as 'short-legged omnivores' for badgers, or 'second-largest living bird by height' for emus. (This can be done online or offline.)

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