

The 80's Quiz

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2. In 1980 Bill Gates developed a standard operating language for the IBM-PC and compatible computers. What was it called?
3. In 1983 a group of scientists identified a virus known as HIV. What does HIV stand for?
4. A mountain in Washington State, USA, erupted on 18 May 1980. What was it called?
5. A former cowboy actor was elected as president of the USA in 1980 and 1984. Who?
6. Benazir Bhutto was the first woman to be elected prime minister of a muslim country. Which country?
6. Deadly gas leaked from a chemical factory in Bhopal, 1984. In which country?
7. The last of the series of "Spaghetti Westerns" was made in 1984 – "Once Upon A Time in America". Who was the Italian director?
8. Shimon Peres was president of which country, from 1984 – 1986?
9. Garry Schofield made his international debut against France in 1984. In which sport?
10. A Columbian author won the Nobel prize for literature in 1982. His name?
11. A dividing wall was jubilantly torn down in 1989. Where in the world?
12. In Spring 1989 a series of demonstrations took place in a square in China. What was its name?
13. Sylvester Stallone played a tough ex-army man in conflict with the law, in the film "First Blood", 1982. What was the name of the character he played?
- 14-16. Steven Spielberg produced three films about an adventurous archaeologist Indiana Jones. What were they called?
17. In the 1990's this singer decided he wished to be known as . What was he formally known as in the 1980's?
18. What colour was the rain he sang about in 1983?
19. The musical Cats was based on a book of poems about cats – by which poet?
20. In 1983 an Irish politician, president of Sinn Fein, was elected to the British parliament, though he did not take up his seat. Who was he?
21. Who was using a Lethal Weapon, alongside Danny Glover, in 1987?
22. American basketball player Earvin Johnson helped Los Angeles Lakers to 5 NBA titles in the 1980's. What was his ore familiar nickname?
23. Julie Walters starred in the film of a play about an Open University student, Educating Rita. Who wrote the play?
24. Alex Ferguson has had major success as manager of Manchester United, where he became manager in 1986. In the early 1980's he was having great success with which Scottish team?
25. A Tudor warship was raised from the depths of the Solent in 1982. Its name?
26. A soap opera about cockneys living around a market square in 1985. Its name?
27. A soap opera set in a Liverpool suburb was launched by Channel 4 in 1982. Its name?
28. Who organised the massive 16-hour long "Live Aid" charity concert at Wembley Stadium in 1985?

29. Where was the famine which Live Aid was raising money to help?
30. The female star in Jagged Edge and Fatal Attraction?
31. Garry Kasparov was world champion in which game in the 1980's?
32. Who was his major rival?
33. A French footballer, the only one to be voted European footballer of the year three times in a row (1983-5). His initials are M. P.
34. A very short name for super-band of the 1980's, with lead singer called Bono and a guitarist called The Edge.
35. Born Cherilyn Sarkisian La Piere in El Centro, this singer and movie star won an Oscar for her performance in Moonstruck, 1987. Her more familiar name?
36. In 1987 Michael Fish told us not to worry, but it turned out that he was wrong. What hit the country causing massive damage in that year?
37. Top scorer in the World Cup tournament of 1986, scoring six goals, was a British player. He was?
38. Who claimed the "hand of God" had helped him win the ball in the same tournament?
39. The woman who won six consecutive Wimbledon titles from 1982-1987.
43. Mrs Thatcher's adversary in the miner's strike.
44. Scarface and Serpico were two of his roles?
45. The man who skated to glory with an innovative routine to Ravel's Bolero.
46. The woman who danced it with him.
47. Master of the snooker table – very interesting.
48. Her husband Ike took a back seat as this lady shot to fame.
49. He let everyone know he was born in the USA.
50. Solidarity led to his election as president of Poland.

PICTURE QUESTIONS. Look at the pictures on the posters and on your tickets.

41. The first democratically elected Russian president who is supposed to have liked a glass or two of vodka. Who was he?
42. The first African American to win Wimbledon?