

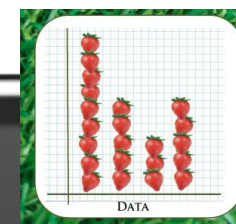
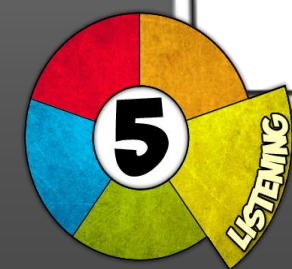


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New 10p coins were introduced in the UK recently. How many different designs are there on the new coins?

- a. one
- b. two
- c. 12
- d. 26

d. 26 - Unveiled by the Royal Mint, the collection is an A to Z of what makes Britain great, from the Angel of the North to a zebra crossing. Other designs include James Bond, fish and chips and a fry-up.



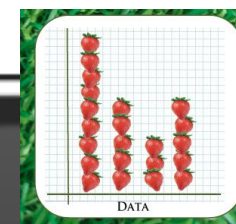
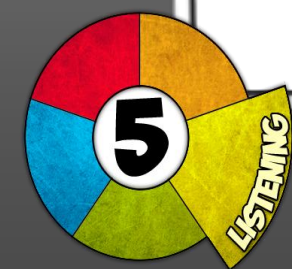


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Sadly, Roger Bannister passed away recently. For what was he well known?

- a. developing scientific theories about the universe
- b. middle-distance running
- c. comedy acting

b. middle-distance running - His time of three minutes 59.4 seconds, set at Iffley Road sports ground in Oxford on 6 May 1954, stood as a record for just 46 days but his place in athletics history was assured. People had been trying for decades to break that psychological and physical barrier of the four-minute mile



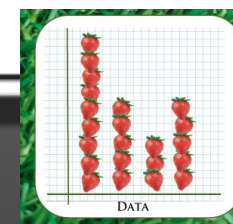
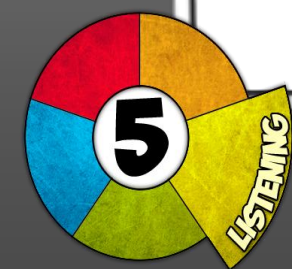


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In which country did Jacob Zuma resign as president last month?

- a. Venezuela
- b. Turkey
- c. South Africa

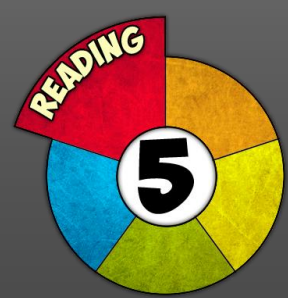
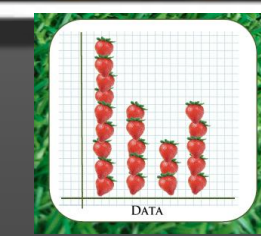
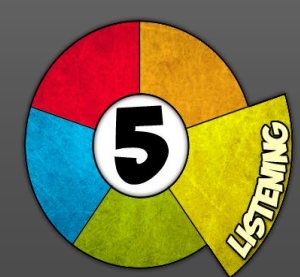
c. South Africa - Zuma's presidency has been tarnished by scandal. He has been replaced as leader by Cyril Ramaphosa





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Princess Eugenie was in the news earlier in the term. Is she on the left or the right of this photo?





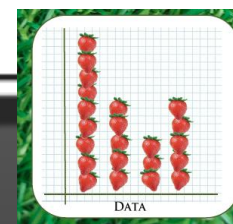
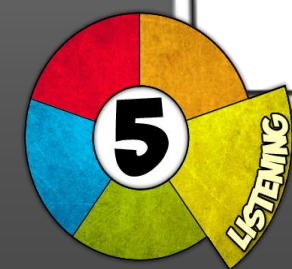
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Who was announced as the captain of the International celebrities side for the Soccer Aid match later this year?

- a. Barack Obama
- b. Usain Bolt
- c. Roger Federer

b. Usain Bolt - "It's my dream to make it as a professional footballer. To play against some of football's biggest legends is going to be remarkable," the Jamaican sprinter said. Robbie Williams will captain rivals England for the match.



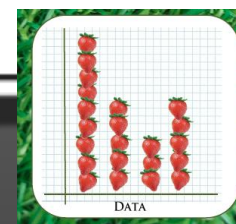
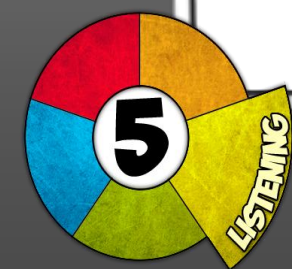


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Which fast food chain ran out of a key ingredient during the term forcing it to temporarily shut many of its stores?

- a. McDonald's
- b. Starbucks
- c. KFC

c. KFC - Most of the 900 KFC outlets in the UK and Ireland were forced to close because of a shortage of chicken. The company apologised to customers, blaming "teething problems" with its new delivery partner.





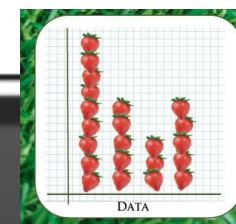
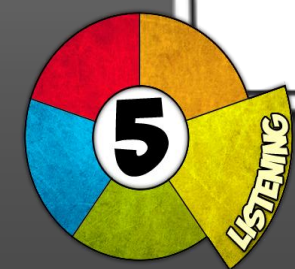
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Great Britain secured its highest medal tally of a Winter Olympics at Pyeongchang. How many medals did Great Britain win?

- a. three
- b. five
- c. seven

b. five - Billy Morgan won bronze in the men's snowboarding big air to secure Great Britain their highest medal tally in Winter Olympics history. The medal for Morgan, 28, is Team GB's fifth in Pyeongchang, taking them past the four medals won in 1924 and 2014.



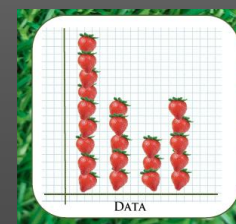
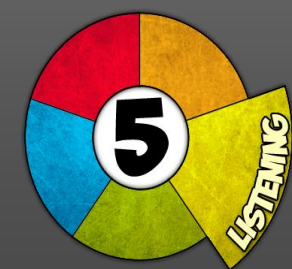


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What type of car is shown in this photo
from last month?
a. Ford b. Tesla c. Mazda

b. Tesla - The red electric convertible was sent into space aboard SpaceX's brand new Falcon Heavy rocket during a successful test flight. The car will now sail away to the asteroid belt between Mars and Jupiter. Elon Musk is the billionaire entrepreneur behind SpaceX, Tesla and The HyperLoop.

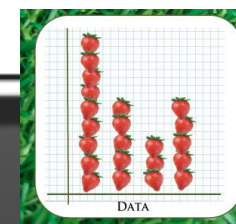
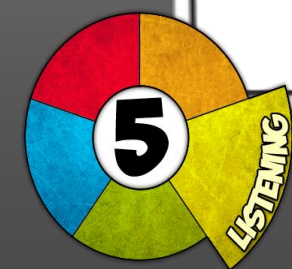




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True or false, Kim Jong Un has had a face-to-face meeting with Donald Trump to discuss ending North Korea's nuclear missile programme?

False - The meeting has not yet occurred. US President Donald Trump has accepted an invitation to meet and the pair have pledged to meet by May.





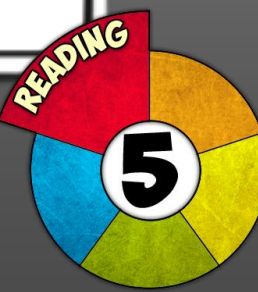
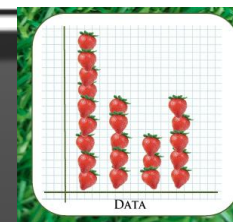
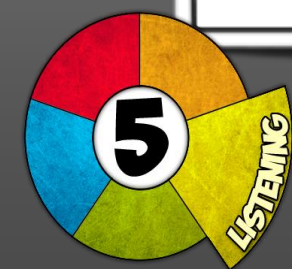
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What is the name of the new minister that Theresa May's government established in January?

- a. Minister for the Internet
- b. Minister of Honesty
- c. Minister for Loneliness

c. Minister for Loneliness - A Minister for Loneliness was a project first started by the late MP Jo Cox. Conservative MP, Tracey Crouch, said she was proud to take on the "generational challenge" to tackle an issue affecting about nine million UK people, young and old, and said she would work across political parties and with communities. A 2017 report said loneliness was as harmful to health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day.

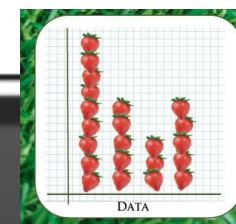
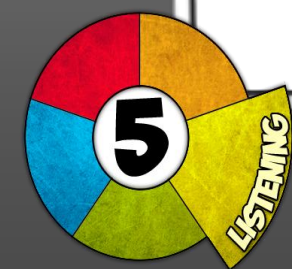




Despite fears from local farmers, France has decided to allow the population of which animal to increase?

- a. Wolves
- b. Black Bear
- c. Vampire Bats

a. Wolves - France will allow the wolf population to grow from 360 to 500 by 2023. After being eradicated by hunters in the 1930s, the wolf made its way back into France from Italy in the 1990s. In 2015 the government introduced wolf hunting teams with night vision equipment in response to protests from farmers upset about livestock casualties.



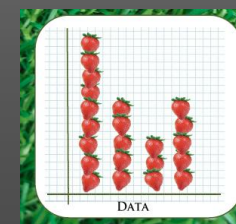
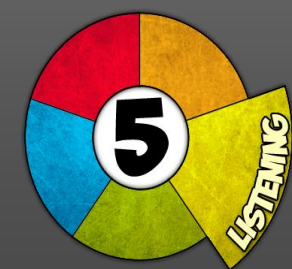


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In which country are emergency workers dealing with this situation?
a. Japan b. The Philippines c. Taiwan

c. Taiwan - A major earthquake in January resulted in damage on the eastern coast of the island nation including several toppled buildings including this one in Hualien that was propped up with mobile cranes.





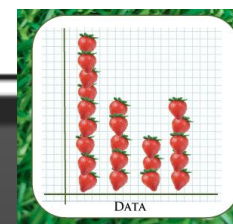
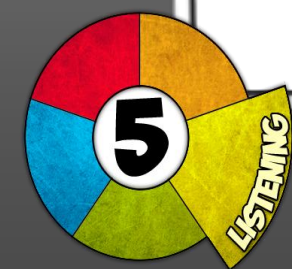
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David Beckham has launched his new team to play in the Major League Soccer competition. In which US city will it be based?

- a. Chicago
- b. Los Angeles
- c. Miami

c. Miami - Beckham exercised an option in his contract with former side LA Galaxy to buy an expansion franchise in 2014. He said "I promise you the team we will bring into the league will be the best team." The team name has not been revealed.



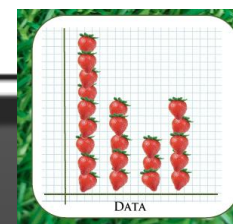
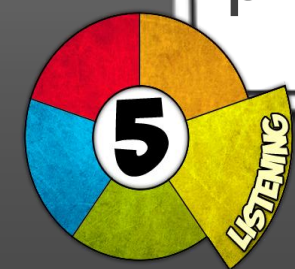


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Residents in Hawaii were accidentally sent a text message alerting them to what type of emergency situation?

- a. volcanic eruption
- b. tsunami
- c. nuclear missile strike

c. nuclear missile strike - An incoming missile alert plunged residents of Hawaii into panic on Saturday morning before it was declared a false alarm. Mobile phone users received a message saying: "Ballistic missile threat inbound to Hawaii. Seek immediate shelter. This is not a drill." The Governor of Hawaii apologised and said it was caused by an employee pressing the wrong button.



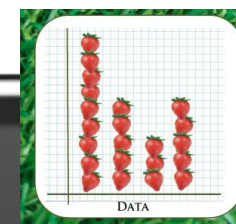
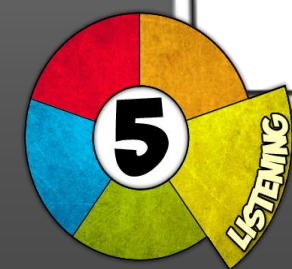


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Four UK rowers managed to break the record for rowing across the Atlantic Ocean earlier this term. How long did it take voyage take them?

- a. 29 days
- b. 49 days
- c. 69 days

a. 29 days - Amateur rowers and friends George Biggar, Dicky Taylor, Peter Robinson and Stuart Watts spent 29 days and 15 hours at sea during the 3,000-mile crossing from the Canary Islands to the Caribbean. They beat the previous Atlantic Challenge record of 35 days and raised £250,000 for charity.





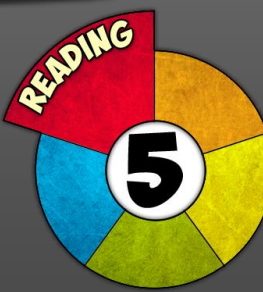
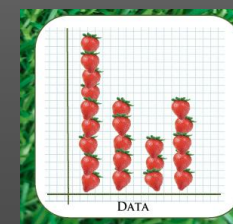
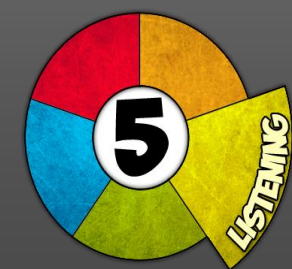
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In which country did this emergency situation occur?

- a. Spain
- b. Australia
- c. Turkey

c. Turkey - The 162 passengers on board the Boeing 737-800 miraculously escaped without any serious injuries after the out-of-control plane suddenly veered off an icy runway and hurtled down the side of the cliff at Trabzon Airport.





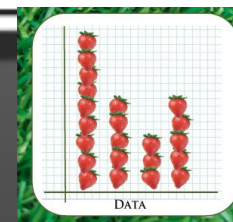
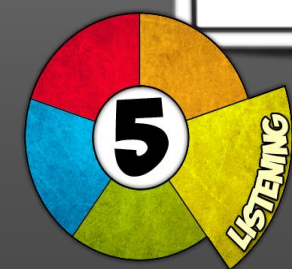
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Why has Scottish soft drink, Irn Bru, been in the news this term?

- a. the recipe has been changed
- b. It is going to have a name change
- c. a factory is being built in Japan due to growing demand there

a. the recipe has been changed - AG Barr, which produces the drink, is slashing the sugar content of Scotland's favourite drink from 10.3g per 100ml to 4.7g. The change came after the UK government is set to introduced the so-called 'sugar tax', which will tax the soft-drinks industry for drinks with over 5g of sugar per 100ml. When the recipe change was announced, worried fans ran out and began stockpiling cans of the original drink.

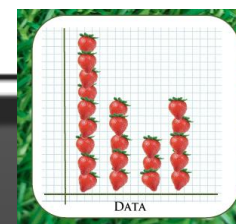
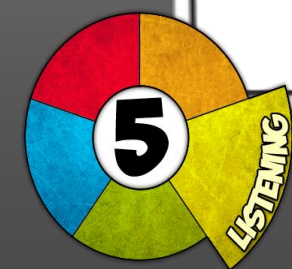




What claim did a Japanese astronaut mistakenly make about his recent stay on the International Space Station?

- a. that he could see the Great Wall of China from space
- b. that he was the first Japanese-speaking astronaut in space
- c. that he had grown 9 centimetres taller since arriving

c. that he had grown 9 centimetres taller since arriving - He had actually only grown 2cm. Once he realised his mistake, he apologised for tweeting 'fake news'. Although astronauts often grow while in space due to the lack of gravity, they return to a normal height when they go back to Earth.





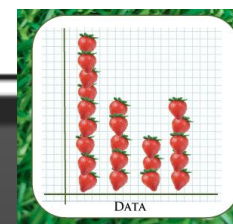
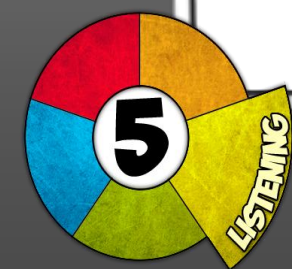
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Donald Trump caused controversy by officially recognising which city as the capital of Israel?

- a. Tel Aviv
- b. Haifa
- c. Jerusalem

c. Jerusalem - The status of Jerusalem has always been one of the most difficult and sensitive questions in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. For years, US policy has been to avoid declaring Jerusalem the capital of Israel in the absence of an Israeli-Palestinian peace deal, as the Palestinians also claim Jerusalem as their capital. Most countries in the United Nations recognise Tel Aviv as the capital.



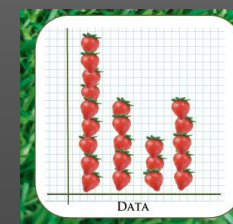
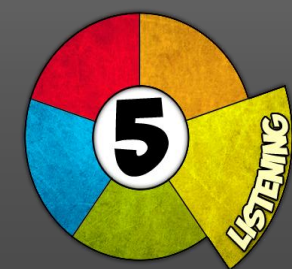


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What is the last name of this British athlete?

Yarnold - Lizzy Yarnold successfully defended her olympic title in the Women's Skeleton event. With Laura Deas winning bronze, it marked the first time since 1908 that Great Britain won two Winter Games medals in one winter sport in one event.





The End

