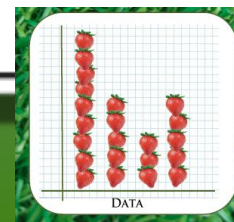
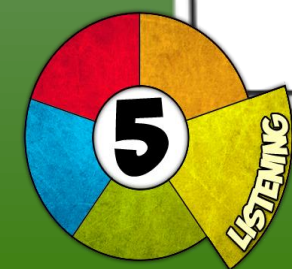




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True or false, despite all the talk of global warming, 2018 was not in the top ten hottest years on record?

False - 2018 was the fourth hottest year on record behind 2016, 2015 and 2017. Australia had a heat wave in January that saw four days recording temperatures in the top ten on record.



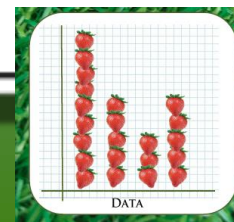
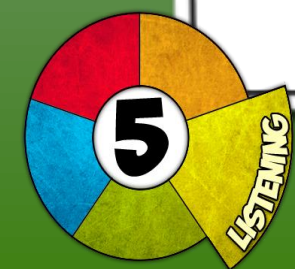


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A polar vortex has been in the news a lot recently. What is a polar vortex?

- a. a type of star
- b. very cold air that sits around the North and South poles
- c. a new type of military plane that is being built in Australia

b. very cold air that sits around the North and South poles -
The US has recently been in the grip of a polar vortex which dropped temperatures to -46C and below. A polar vortex is a large pocket of very cold air, which sits over the polar region during the winter season. The freezing air can be pushed farther south, affecting parts of Canada and the US.



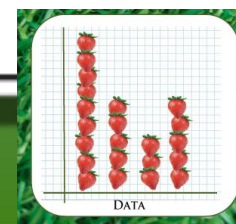
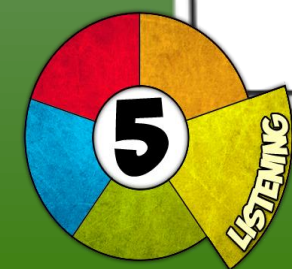


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- Why has all horse racing in Britain been cancelled?
- a. Authorities are investigating claims of animal cruelty at some courses
 - b. Authorities are investigating claims of race fixing at some courses
 - c. Authorities are investigating cases of equine flu

c. Authorities are investigating cases of equine flu - All race meetings have been cancelled in Britain until Wednesday - at the earliest - after six cases of the virus emerged towards the end of last week





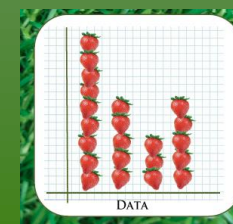
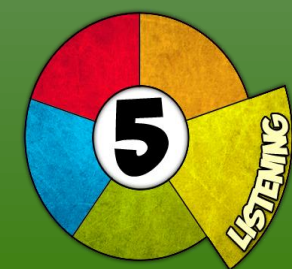
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In what city is this building located?

- a. Los Angeles
- b. Moscow
- c. Cairo

b. Moscow - St Basil's Cathedral





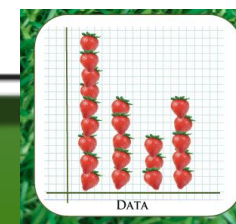
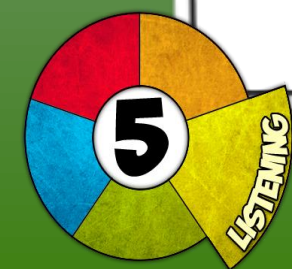
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Why has former manager of Manchester United, José Mourinho, been in the news?

- a. He has signed a contract to return to Manchester United
- b. He has announced his complete retirement as a football manager
- c. He has accepted a charge of tax evasion

c. He has accepted a charge of tax evasion - He has agreed a prison term in Spain for tax fraud but will not go to jail. A one-year prison sentence will instead be exchanged for a fine of €182,500 (£160,160). That will be added to a separate fine of €2m.



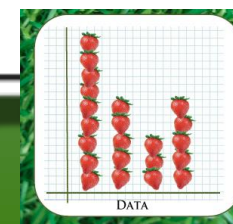
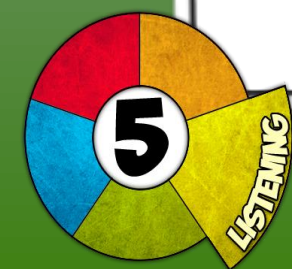


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Who has been announced as the host for this year's Oscar film awards?

- a. Ellen Degeneres
- b. Alec Baldwin
- c. There is no host

c. There is no host - For the first time in 30 years, there will be no host. It will instead highlight celebrities presenting individual trophies.





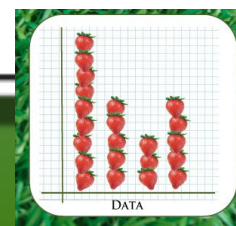
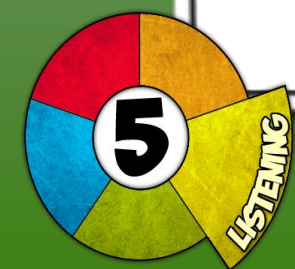
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How much were single Cricket World Cup tickets for Australia versus England matches, being sold for on the controversial ticketing site,

Viagogo?

- a. £4,569
- b. £12,029
- c. £31,593

b. £12,029 - World Cup organisers are prepared to take legal action against secondary ticketing sites, with some tickets being priced at over £12,000. Tickets for the England v Australia game at Lord's are being sold on Viagogo for 104 times their face value.



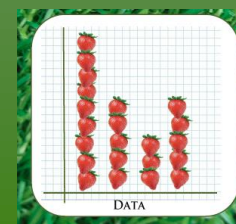
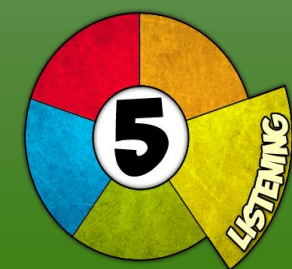


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What is the first name of this well-known British figure?

Boris - Boris Johnson is regularly in the news. There is some speculation that he would take over as leader of the Conservative Party if Theresa May was deposed.





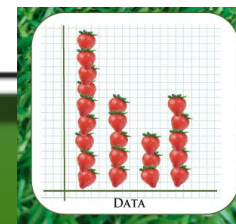
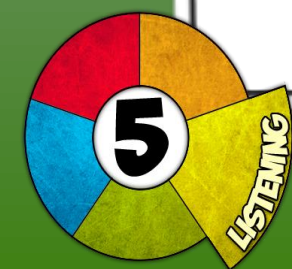
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The Pacific island nation of Tonga has been in the news recently after being left without ...?

- a. petrol
- b. mobile and internet services
- c. clean water

b. mobile and internet services - Tonga's 100,000 residents experienced a two week blackout of mobile and internet services after the country's only undersea cable was damaged. It is unclear what caused the damage.



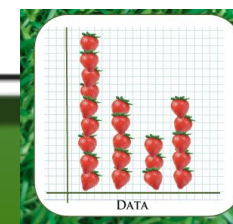
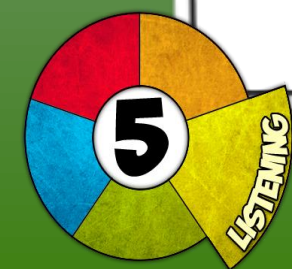


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Which team won the most watched sports game in the U.S, the Super Bowl?

- a. New England Patriots
- b. Los Angeles Rams
- c. Philadelphia Eagles

a. New England Patriots - The Patriots won their sixth title (and third in five years), by defeating the Los Angeles Rams 13-3. One hundred and three million people watched this year's Super Bowl.



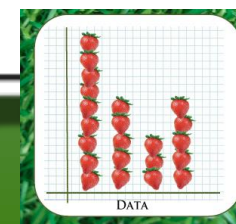
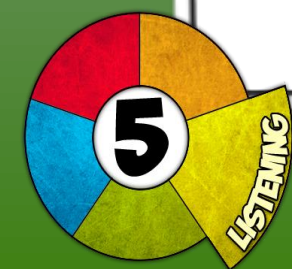


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What is the name of the rapper that has been deported by US immigration officials because he's actually British?

- a. 21 Savage
- b. Drake
- c. Kendrick Lamar

a. 21 Savage - The Grammy-nominated rapper, 21 Savage, has been arrested by immigration officials in the US who say he's actually from the UK and has overstayed his visa. It was thought the star had been born and raised in Atlanta.





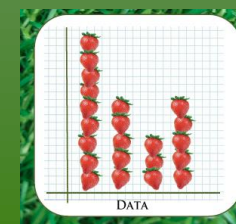
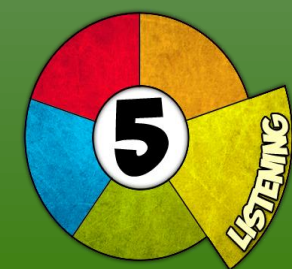
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In which South American country has the President deliberately done this to prevent access?

a. Colombia b. Venezuela c. Argentina

b. Venezuela - The United States has organised aid for desperate Venezuelans, however, Maduro believes this is an effort to destabilise his authority, so has blocked the border roads with trucks and shipping tankers..





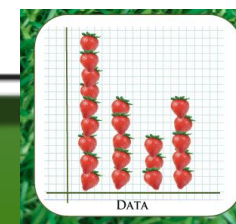
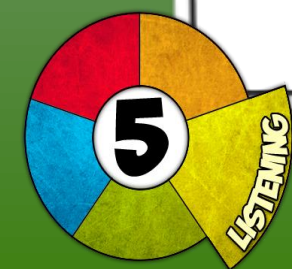
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The city of Townsville been in the news because of severe 'once-in-a-century' flooding. In which country is the city of Townsville?

- a. Belgium
- b. Canada
- c. Australia

c. Australia - The once-in-a-century big wet event caused flooding that took the lives of two men, forced thousands of people to flee and is expected to have impacted up to 20,000 homes to some degree.

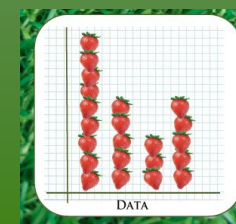
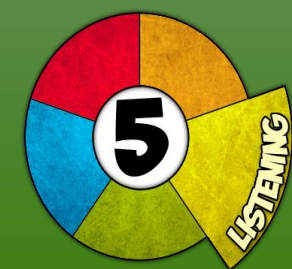




Which area has the westernmost point on the island of Britain?

- a. Cornwall, England
- b. Pembrokeshire, Wales
- c. Highland, Scotland

c. Highland, Scotland - Corrachadh Mòr lies at the western end of the Ardnamurchan peninsula in Lochaber, Highland, Scotland, and is the most westerly point on the island of Great Britain. Many people forget that the island of Britain ‘tips’ west, as it is often displayed in a more upright position.



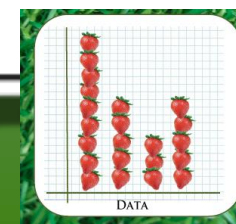
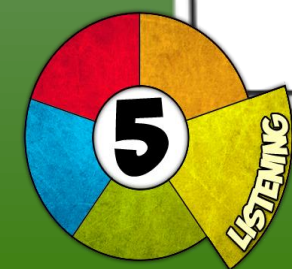


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What type of aircraft has recently been retired by the Royal Air Force?

- a. Vulcan
- b. Tornado
- c. Typhoon

b. Tornado - Eight RAF Tornado jets returned home to the UK for the last time as the aircraft prepares for retirement after almost 40 years in service.



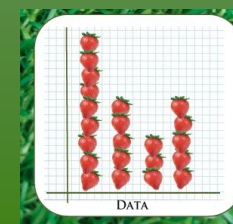
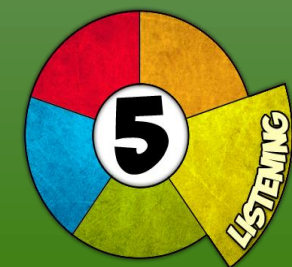


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Which country has this flag?

Argentina





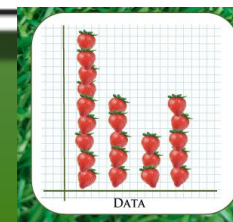
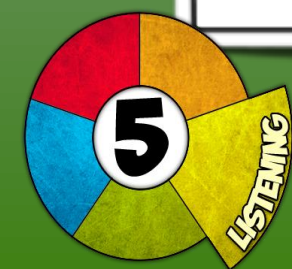
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After a month-long campaign, what has overtaken Kylie Jenner as Instagram's most liked photo ever?

- a. a picture of an egg
- b. a picture of a sock
- c. a picture of a surfing cat

a. a picture of an egg - When the first image of the egg appeared online, it looked like it only had one aim - to stop Kylie Jenner being the "Queen of Instagram". It was actually revealed to be linked to a mental health campaign. The egg, known as Eugene, has now cracked after "feeling the pressure" of all the attention it's received. A message posted alongside the broken egg advises people to seek help if they feel the same way.



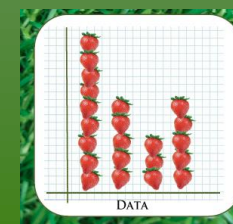
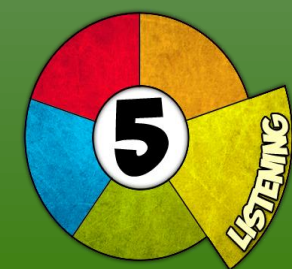


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What language is spoken in the Netherlands?

- a. French
- b. German
- c. Dutch

c. Dutch





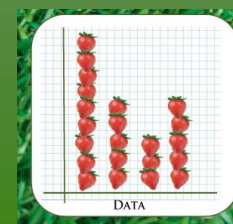
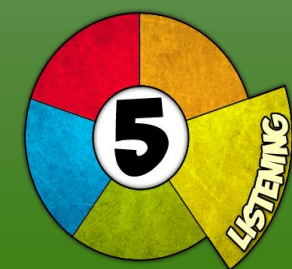
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Keepers at London Zoo are deeply disappointed after an animal was killed by another shortly after being introduced. What kind of animal was involved in the tragic encounter?

- a. Tiger
- b. Lion
- c. Elephant

a. Tiger - Male tiger Asim was brought to the zoo from a safari park in Denmark in attempts to be "the perfect mate" for long-term resident Melati. After spending time apart in the tiger enclosure to get used to the new surroundings - the two were introduced to each other. But tensions "quickly escalated" and Melati died in a fight.





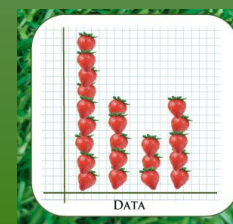
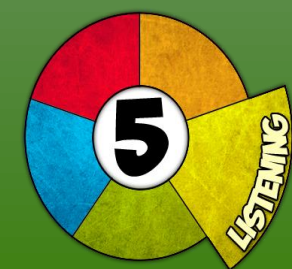
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This object was found at a Hong Kong crisp factory. What is it?

- a. A WWII grenade
- b. A water bottle from Ancient Rome
- c. A vase from Ancient China

a. A WWII grenade - A World War One-era German hand grenade has been found among a delivery of potatoes shipped from France to the crisp factory.





The End

