



True or false, Chicago has recorded temperatures colder than the South Pole during the recent polar vortex that struck North America?

True - With temperatures of around minus 30° C, Chicago was colder than the South Pole, Mount Everest, Siberia and Alaska.













Which football team recently won the Asia Cup and is set to host the 2022 World Cup? a. Saudi Arabia b. Qatar c. Iran

b. Qatar - The small Middle-Eastern nation won their first ever Asian Cup with a 3-1 victory over four-time winners Japan. The team showed impressive talent and will be more than mere hosts of the World Cup in 2022.

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A scientific expedition has started a quest to find Sir Ernest Shackleton's lost ship. With which part of the world was this British explorer associated? a. Africa b. Antarctica c. Australia

b. Antarctica - Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton was a polar explorer who led three British expeditions to the Antarctic.
The research team has spent the past two weeks investigating the Larsen C Ice Shelf and the continent's biggest iceberg, known as A68.

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What is the last name of the man shown here?

Sala - The life of Emiliano Sala was both celebrated and commemorated during Cardiff's first match since the Argentinian player went missing. He had agreed to join Cardiff for a club-record fee of £19 million from French Ligue 1 club Nantes, but was one of two people aboard a small plane that disappeared last month.













What group have been marching against the 'yellow vest' antigovernment protests that have resulted in violence on Paris streets recently? a. The Pink Hats b. The Red Scarves c. The Green Shoes

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b. The Red Scarves - The "foulards rouges" are demanding an end to the violence witnessed at yellow-vest rallies. The yellow vest movement grew out of fuel tax protests in November. It now embraces wider discontent with President Emmanuel Macron and has seen some of the most serious street violence in Paris since 1968.









What is the motto of the Special Air Service (SAS) division of the British Army? a. Who Dares Wins b. Seize the Day c. Fortune Favours the Brave

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a. Who Dares Wins - The motto has been used by twelve elite special forces units around the world that in some way have historical ties to the British SAS.

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Which players claimed the Men's and Women's' titles at the Australia Tennis Open recently? a. Nadal / Osaka b. Djokovic / Osaka c. Nadal / Kvitová d. Djokovic / Kvitová

b. Djokovic / Osaka - Osaka performed a dramatic comeback to claim her second Grand Slam title, while Djokovic was too strong for Nadal in the Men's final.

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What UK territory is shown here? a. Isle of Man b. Jersey c. Gibraltar

c. Gibraltar - Known for the famous 'Rock of Gibraltar', the territory is part of a disagreement between the UK and Spain, where Spanish authorities are describing the territory as a 'colony' of the UK during EU negotiations.

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Which South American country is experiencing major unrest with large protests against President Maduro and other large protests being held in support of him? a. Argentina b. Brazil c. Venezuela

c. Venezuela - The political crisis has continued to deepen. Opposition leader Juan Guaidó has declared himself interim president following the large protests. The US and other Latin American countries have backed Mr Guaidó but Mr Maduro has accused him of starting a coup. Meanwhile thousands of people have been leaving the country, many crossing into neighbouring Colombia.

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After Greenland, which of these is considered to be the next largest island in the world? a. New Guinea b. Madagascar c. Britain

a. New Guinea - With an area of 785,753 sqkm, New Guinea is second behind Greenland (2 million sqkm). Borneo is 3rd, Madagascar is 4th, and Britain sits at 9th on the list.

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True or false, the German Government has approved a new law that will place speed limits on all of the autobahn motorway system?

False - However, a majority of Germans favour setting maximum speed limits for Germany's famously fast autobahns to help battle climate change. According to a recent poll, fifty-two percent wanted vehicle speeds limited to between 120km/h and 140 km/h. Currently, there are no limits in many parts.

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In which sport do these players compete? a. Rugby b. Football c. Hockey

a. Rugby - both the womens and mens Six Nations competitions are underway. The current Womens Champions are France, while Ireland are defending their Mens trophy.

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A rare tornado hit Cuba's capital city last week. What is the capital city of Cuba? a. Kingston b. Casablanca c. Havana

c. Havana - With wind speeds of up to 100km/h (60mph), the first tornado to hit the city in decades uprooted trees and cut power in poor areas late last Sunday.



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What type of animal escaped from Belfast Zoo recently, and was only on the run for one day before being located and returned? a. Red Panda b. Bengal Tiger c. Sun Bear

a. Red Panda - Two panda cubs were born at the zoo last June, but only started to venture outside towards the end of the year. According to the International Union for Conservation of Nature, the red panda is facing a very high risk of extinction.

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Howard Schultz has suggested he could run in the next presidential election to try and defeat Donald Trump. Which multinational company did he run for 23 years? a. McDonalds b. Apple c. Starbucks

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c. Starbucks - He stepped down as the firm's boss last year, and says he is considering running as a centrist independent candidate in 2020. Trump's opponents worry he might give President Trump the "best hope of getting re-elected" by splitting the opposition vote.

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## Which country has this flag?

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Norway















A 14-year-old and his mother have identified a flaw with Apple's FaceTime app that allows people to....?
a. access another person's credit card details after a call
b. access another person's camera during a call
c. access another person's microphone before a call

c. access another person's microphone before a call - Apple on apologized for the massive flaw that allowed users to eavesdrop on other people. It said a fix has now been enabled. Apple credited the family of a 14-year-old boy who helped discover the bug and report it to Apple, though the company didn't appear to react immediately to his report.

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According to the	e Chinese lunar calendar, 20 <sup>-</sup> 2	19 signifies the Year of the
	a. Pig	
	b. Dog	
	c. Rat	

a. Pig - Chinese New Year is celebrated by more than 20% of the world. It's the most important holiday in China and to Chinese people all over. A pig represents luck, overall good fortune, wealth, honesty, and general prosperity.

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What has the Minister of State for Schools, Nick Gibb, suggested should be banned in UK schools to improve performance? a. mobile phones b. Ofsted visits c. playground equipment

a. mobile phones - Schools currently have the power to ban phones from being taken on to the premises. But government policy is that it is the responsibility of head teachers to determine whether this is appropriate.

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What is the last name of this British businessman who has been in the news?

Dyson - The company founded by James Dyson has announced that they are shifting its headquarters to Singapore, from Malmesbury in Wiltshire.

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