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a Tick the correct question.

1
- ☐ a Who did paint The Kiss?
- ☐ b Who painted The Kiss?

2
- ☐ a Which instrument does Angus Young of AC/ DC play?
- ☐ b Which instrument plays Angus Young of AC/ DC?

3
- ☐ a How many lives do cats have in the UK?
- ☐ b How many lives have cats in the UK?

4
- ☐ a What did happen in Japan on 11th March 2011?
- ☐ b What happened in Japan on 11th March 2011?

5
- ☐ a Which American singer did die on 25th June 2009?
- ☐ b Which American singer died on 25th June 2009?

6
- ☐ a Who did Beyoncé marry in 2008?
- ☐ b Who Beyoncé married in 2008?

7
- ☐ a What animal caught a train for 50 kms?
- ☐ b What animal did catch a train for 50 kms?

8
- ☐ a What invented Peter Durand in 1810?
- ☐ b What did Peter Durand invent in 1810?

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b Match the questions in exercise a with these answers.

3 Nine.

- [ ] An earthquake and a tsunami.
- [ ] Michael Jackson.
- [ ] Gustav Klimt.
- [ ] Jay-Z.
- [ ] Tinned food.
- [ ] The guitar.
- [ ] A dog

c Complete the questions for the answers.

1 What made Mark Zuckerberg famous?
Facebook made Mark Zuckerberg famous.

2 When ..... the football World Cup?
Spain won the football World Cup in 2010.

3 How long ..... together?
REM stayed together for 31 years.

4 Who ..... Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean?
Johnny Depp plays Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean.

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5 How ..... ?

Amy Winehouse died from alcohol poisoning.

6 Where .....?

Polar bears live in the Arctic.

7 How many ..... at the Arc deTriomphe in Paris?

Twelve roads join at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris.

8 Which country ..... in the world?

India produces the most bananas in the world.

d Choose the word or phrase that is different.

1 curly	long	slim	straight
2 friendly	generous	kind	overweight
3 bracelet	earrings	necklace	tracksuit
4 a course	exercise	a phone call	housework
5 crowded	polluted	dangerous	exciting
6 market	shopping centre	town hall	department store
7 decide	finish	forget	pretend
8 get up	get old	get fit	get lost
9 bee	butterfly	bat	mosquito

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e Complete the sentences with one word.

1 Why don't you try __on__ that dress?
2 She was born …….. March 24th, 1996.
3 I'll have to take my new top …….. to the shop. It has a hole.
4 Please don't throw …….. my old jeans. I still wear them.
5 You'll have to speak …….. the manager about your complaint.
6 I'm looking …….. to going away at the weekend.
7 The children ran …….. the road without looking. Luckily, there wasn't much traffic.
8 They arrived …….. London at midnight.
9 We carried …….. working until it was time to go home.
10 Can you please pick …….. that rubbish from the floor?

f Complete the missing verbs.

1 go sightseeing
2 s…… at a campsite
3 f…… in love with somebody
4 m…… a mistake
5 d…… the shopping
6 l…… money to somebody
7 s…… hours doing something
8 g…… on well with somebody
9 e…… a salary
10 f…… a job

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g Read the article and match the questions to the answers.

Don't ask me!

A survey of 2,000 parents has discovered that two thirds of them are unable to answer their children's questions about science. See if you can match the ten most common questions with their answers below.

1 Why is the moon sometimes out in the day?	...E....
2 Why is the sky blue?	.....
3 Will we ever discover aliens?	.....
4 How much does the Earth weigh?	.....
5 How do aeroplanes stay in the air?	.....
6 Why is water wet?	.....
7 How do I do long division?	.....
8 Where do birds and bees go in winter?	.....
9 What makes a rainbow?	.....
10 Why are there different times on Earth?	.....

A Bees stop flying and birds stay together in groups or migrate.
B People decided to have 'time zones' so that it would be light during the day everywhere on Earth. If there weren't time zones, some people would have midday in the middle of the night!
C The Earth weighs 6,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000kg.
D Because of their chemistry, some liquids can be absorbed by solid things.
E The moon can be lit up by the sun, depending on where it is in the sky. If it reflects the sun's rays, we can see it, even during the day. lt all depends on its angle towards the Earth.
F Multiply the single numbers and the tens separately, then add them together.
G Sunlight arrives on Earth in every colour, but it hits particles in our air that 'shine' blue.
H Planes have special wings which push air down. This pushing action is stronger than gravity, and so the plane goes up in the air.
I Sunlight going through water drops in the air 'separates' into all the colours.
J No one knows

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h Listen to five people talking about quiz shows. Complete the names of the shows.



1 Master .....

2 A Question of .....

3 ..... my Bluff

4 Who wants to be a .....?

5 ..... Quiz

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i Listen again. Match some questions which could have been on these quiz shows with the speakers.

Speaker 1	A Who sang Every breath you take?
Speaker 2	B Who painted Suriflowers?
Speaker 3	A Picasso B Van Gogh C Cezanne D Monet
Speaker 4	C How many times has Brazil won the World Cup?
Speaker 5	D What does 'willy nilly' mean?
	E When was Charles Dickens born?

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