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## Preview :Quiz Facts/Theories

# THE WORLD'S EASIEST QUIZ... OR IS IT?

Be careful! The answers may seem obvious, but they might not be what you think! Will you "take a wild guess" by closing your eyes and just choosing A, B, C, or D? Or will you use "the process of elimination" by rejecting the answers that can't possibly be true?

**1** How long did the Hundred Years' War in Western Europe last?

- A 100 years      C 50 years  
B 116 years      D 200 years

**2** Where do Panama hats come from?

- A Panama      C Ecuador  
B The Philippines      D Italy

**3** From which animals do we get catgut for violin strings?

- A cats      C sharks  
B sheep      D dogs

**4** The former U.S.S.R. used to celebrate the October Revolution in which month?

- A October      C December  
B November      D June

**5** What is a camel hair paintbrush made of?

- A camel hair      C cat hair  
B squirrel hair      D human hair

**6** The Canary Islands in the Atlantic Ocean are named after which animal?

- A the canary      C the dog  
B the cat      D the camel

**7** What was King George VI of England's first name?

- A George      C Joseph  
B Charles      D Albert

**8** What color is a male purple finch?

- A dark purple      C sky blue  
B pinkish-red      D white

**9** What country do Chinese gooseberries come from?

- A China      C Sweden  
B Japan      D New Zealand

**10** How long did the Thirty Years' War in Central Europe last?

- A 30 years      C 20 years  
B 40 years      D 100 years

## SCORING

**1-2 CORRECT**  
We TOLD you they weren't so easy!

**3-5 CORRECT**  
Not bad! Did you already know a few of the answers?

**6-10 CORRECT**  
Either you're a great guesser, or you're a true scholar!

**ANSWERS** 1. B 116 years (from 1337 to 1453, with interruptions) 2. C Ecuador (And Ecuadorians hate that everyone thinks the hats come from Panama) 3. B sheep (The word *catgut* may have come from *kizgut*—*kit* meaning violin—and someone confused it with the word for a young cat: *kitten*) 4. B November (Russians used to use the Julian calendar) 5. B squirrel hair (The brush inventor's (British kings usually took new names when they became king) 6. B pinkish-red (And the female is brown.) 9. D New Zealand (New Zealanders renamed them *kiwi* fruit to avoid confusion.) 10. A 30 years, of course! (from 1618 to 1648)