

Quiz Time

9 nuggets of local knowledge!

So how good is your local knowledge? Pencils at the ready and have some fun with these testing trivia questions from our local organisers. They've certainly kept our cogs whirring during lockdown!

Up north

1. Which city has a mural that is taller than the Statue of Liberty (but smaller than Blackpool Tower)?

A - Blackpool

B – Leeds - Artists Nomad Clan created 'Athena Rising' for the Platform Building near the station. It measures more than 150ft (46m) high and 36ft (11m) wide.

C – Liverpool

D – Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Thanks to Cliff from Leeds Civic Trust

2. Which city's river was the north/south divide in 9th century England?

A – Berwick upon Tweed

B – Lincoln

C – Preston

D – Sheffield

Thanks to John from Sheffield HODs

3. Susannah Sunderland was known as the 'Yorkshire Queen of Song' after serenading Queen Victoria and is now remembered in the town where she helped found a choral society by a prestigious annual competition, but where is this?

A – Doncaster

B – Huddersfield

C – Ripon

D – York

Thanks to Anne from Colne Valley Museum – who have just won the Queens Award for Voluntary Service!

Somewhere in the middle and to the east

4. In Norfolk dialect, what is a 'bishy barnabee'?

A – Butterfly

B – Dragonfly

C – Ladybird

D – Stag beetle

Thanks to Emily from the East Anglian Film Archive



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5. The last Duchess to live at Trentham Hall in Staffordshire was the remarkable, 'Meddlesome Millie' (Millicent Fanny Sutherland Leveson Gower) - which of these things did she NOT do?

A – Carry the canopy at Edward VII's coronation

B – Keep a goat called Ginko - Millie did have a pet called Ginko, but it was a Pekinese dog, not a goat. [Find out more about her on Sylvia's blog.](#)

C – Escape the Germans twice during the Great Wars

D – Cross the Andes aged 65 with just a maid and a dog

Thanks to Sylvia from Stoke on Trent

6. Where is the first written note of orchards in England?

A - Croome Court, Worcestershire

B - Hereford Cathedral

C - Thorney Abbey, in the Cambridgeshire Fens, which William Of Malmesbury described in 1135 as 'a little paradise'

Thanks to Dorothy from The Thorney Society



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Down south

7. Where did Mary Shelley write a significant part of Frankenstein in 1816-17, which is now the site of an electrical service station?!

A - Bath - In 1889 the rooms along Abbey Churchyard were demolished to make way for an extension of the Grand Pump Room. Today the rooms that Mary frequented form part of the Roman Baths Museum, and the location of No. 5 Abbey Churchyard now holds the electrical substation that supplies electricity to central Bath.

B - Bournemouth

C - Glastonbury

Thanks to Lindsey from Bath & NE Somerset Council

8. Which County Town has a dinosaur on its coat of arms?

A - Dorchester

B - Exeter

C - Maidstone

D - Taunton

Thanks to Ann-Marie from Maidstone Borough Council

9. What interesting item was found in the timber ceiling of the 17th Century Coach & Horses in Runnymede during renovation works?

A – A child's shoe

B – A musket ball believed to have come from a shot fired by a reveller

C – A rare penny token

Thanks to Suzanne and team from Runnymede



All done! – many thanks to everyone who sent in their nuggets of local trivia, those we couldn't fit here are stored up ready for the next quiz round!

**If you have a fascinating fact to share, send it to us on:
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