



December 2017 Mixed Bag Questions

1. Edith Head's name appeared in the credits of many major movies over many years. She won 8 Oscars, more than any other female, and was nominated 35 times. What was her specialty?
2. Of what material are adobe (*ad - o - bee*) buildings constructed?
3. What series of films starred Robert Englund as Freddy Krueger?
4. Which famous Australian author, usually associated with crime novels, wrote the historical novel Oscar and Lucinda?
5. Approximately what proportion of the world's gem quality opal is mined in Australia; 50, 70 or 90 percent?
6. Which movie director's wife was murdered by The Manson Family?
7. What does the Australian place name "Wagga Wagga" mean?
 - a. Good Hunting
 - b. Much Water
 - c. Many Crows
8. What connects Hillsborough in Sheffield, England and Heysel in Brussels, Belgium?
9. What did an Illinois farmer invent in 1874 to keep dogs away from his wife's flowers?
10. What is the only one of the four major tournaments in men's golf to be staged at the same venue every year? We will accept either the name of the tournament or the venue.

HARDER QUESTIONS:

11. How old was Anna Mary "Grandma" Moses when she began to paint?
12. How many African countries are land-locked; in other words, have no coastline?
13. Which former Mrs Phillips became Mrs Laurence in 1992?
14. Apart from The Vatican, which is now the only country in which divorce is illegal?
15. Why did the sale and transfer of Picasso's LE RÊVE not proceed as planned in 2006?
16. Red Bull Energy Drink originated in Austria in 1987. However, it was inspired by a drink invented in what country in 1976?
17. Why is the MONA VALE CALENDAR HOUSE in Tasmania so called?
18. What was invented by Arthur Wynne in 1913?
19. Nullabor Links is a par 73 Golf Course. What is its main claim to fame?
20. In what year was the first triple dead heat photo finish declared in Australian horse racing?

ANSWERS:

1. Costume designer
2. Mud brick
3. *Nightmare on Elm Street*
4. Peter Carey
5. (over) 90 per cent
6. Sharon Tate was the wife of Roman Polanski
7. c. many crows
8. Disasters involving soccer crowds
9. Barbed wire
10. US Masters in Augusta, Georgia

HARDER:

11. 75
12. 15
13. Princess Anne, daughter of Queen Elizabeth II of the UK
14. The Philippines
15. The seller accidently put a hole through it
16. Thailand
17. It has 7 entrances, 12 chimneys, 52 rooms and 365 windows
18. The Crossword Puzzle
19. It's the world's longest at 1,365 kilometres
20. 1956 (Hotham Handicap)