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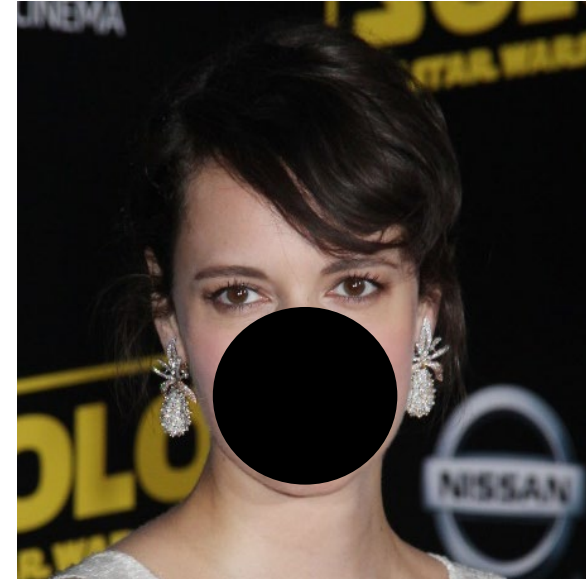
Question Bank

Welcome to your International Women's Day Quiz Question Bank!

We've created this quiz to draw attention to the impact of women on the world around us – including some unsung heroines!

These questions are mixed-difficulty, so please take some time to browse and use them for inspiration for your own IWD Quiz night.

Picture Round



Picture Round Answers

Dame Barbara Windsor



Actress

Jacinda Ardern



**Prime Minister of
New Zealand**

Phoebe Waller-Bridge



**Actress, Writer,
Director, and Producer**

Marsha de Cordova



**Shadow Secretary of State
for Women and Equalities**

Mary Beard



Historian and Author

Malala Yousafzai



**Women's Education activist
and Nobel Peace Prize winner**



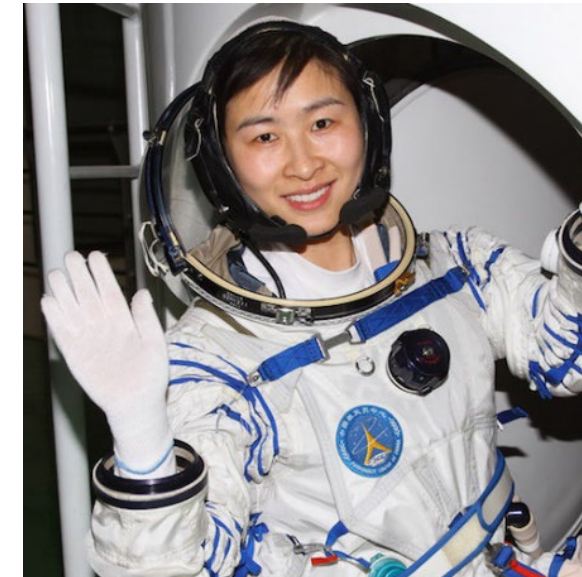
HM Queen Elizabeth II

**Alexandria
Ocasio-Cortez**



Congresswoman for New York

Liu Yang



Chinese Astronaut

Katherine Johnson



NASA Mathematician

Round 1: Women in History

1. Which British monarch said "I would rather be a beggar and single than a Queen and married."?
2. Which Celtic leader united the Britons against an invasion, marching on Colchester and then London?
3. Which ruler deposed her husband, expanded her territory into central Europe, and was said to have played an important role in improving the welfare of serfs?
4. Which farmer's daughter, liberated the besieged city of Orleans from the English at age 17, aiding the restoration of the King of France?
5. Who was the last pharaoh, preferring death to captivity at the hands of the Romans?
6. Elizabeth Cady Stanton was the intellectual leader and strategist behind the 19th century women's rights movement, but who brought it to national attention after she was arrested for voting – leading to the 19th Amendment, and later appearing on the 1979 \$1 coin?
7. While political aide to her husband, was also Head of the UN Human Rights commission and helped to draft the 1948 UN Declaration of Human Rights?
8. Which award was bestowed on Mary Seacole in 1991, for her compassion, skills and bravery while independently nursing soldiers during the Crimean War?
9. Harper's Bazaar revelled over whose fashion designs in 1915?
10. Christabel, Adela, and Sylvia are the daughter of which Suffragette activist?

Round 1: Women in History

1. Elizabeth I
2. Boadicea/Boudicca
3. Catherine the Great
4. Joan of Arc
5. Cleopatra
6. Susan B. Anthony
7. Eleanor Roosevelt
8. The Jamaican Order of Merit
9. Coco Chanel
10. Emmeline Pankhurst

Answers

Round 2: Women in Sport

1. Barbara Slater was the BBC Director of Sport, and orchestrated the entire coverage of which global sporting event?
2. Clare Balding, known as a jockey and broadcaster, turned down presenting the Grand National in favour of covering the first women's televising of which traditional event?
3. Before becoming ECB Director of Women's Cricket, Clare Connor led England to win the Ashes for the first time in how many years?
4. Susanna Dinnage made history in 2018 by becoming the first female CEO of which sporting institution?
5. While competing for Great Britain, Nicola Adams was the first woman to win a gold medal in which sport?
6. Before her CBE for services to women in business, Baroness Brady became Managing Director of which football club at age 23?
7. After editing Rugby World and working as The Times senior sports feature writer, Alison Kervin is currently the only woman Sports Editor of which national newspaper?
8. In 1973's "The Battle of the Sexes" tennis great Billie Jean King beat Bobby Riggs in straight sets during an exhibition match aired on primetime TV. How many people watched?
9. Kathrine Switzer was the first women to run which Marathon in 1967?
10. In 1976, at the age of 14, Nadia Comaneci was the first to be awarded a Perfect 10 in Olympic Gymnastics while representing which country?

Round 2: Women in Sport

1. London 2012 Olympics
2. The Boat Race
3. 42 years
4. English Premier League
5. Boxing
6. Birmingham City
7. The Mail on Sunday
8. 19 million
9. Boston
10. Romania

Answers

Round 3: Did they say it?

1. Did Malala Yousafzai say: “When the whole world is silent, even one voice becomes powerful.”
2. Did Rosa Parkes say: “Knowing what must be done does away with fear.”
3. Did Condoleezza Rice say: “I believe you should spend your time being the former something.”
4. Did Angela Merkel say: “A good compromise is one where everybody makes a contribution.”
5. Did Hilary Clinton say: “Take criticism seriously.”
6. Did Jennifer Lopez say: “Do you doubt what you stand for?”
7. Did Jane Fonda say: “The challenge is not to be perfect; it’s to be whole.”
8. Did Amelia Earhart say: “Preparation is rightly two-thirds of any venture.”
9. Did Arianna Huffington say: "'Restore connection' is not just for devices, it is for people too. If we cannot disconnect, we cannot lead.”
10. Did Dolly Parton say: "If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader."

Round 3: Did they say it?

1. Yes
2. Yes
3. No (I firmly believe you never should spend your time being the former anything.)
4. Yes
5. No (“Never take criticism seriously, but not personally. If there is truth or merit in the criticism, try to learn from it. Otherwise, let it roll right off you.”)
6. No (“Doubt is a killer. You just have to know who you are and what you stand for.”)
7. Yes
8. Yes
9. Yes
10. Yes

Answers

Round 4: Women in Literature

1. Mary Shelley is widely known for writing 'Frankenstein' – the novel also known by what name?
2. 'I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings' is the autobiography of which American writer and poet?
3. Name one of the two female authors who won the Booker Prize in 2019.
4. Which Emily Brontë novel is the inspiration for a Kate Bush song?
5. The Hunger Games series was written by which author?
6. Which Sally Rooney novel was released as a BBC Three drama in 2020?
7. Scarlett O'Hara is the heroine of which Margaret Mitchell novel – later adapted for film?
8. Éowyn is a noblewoman of Rohan who disguises herself as a shieldmaiden so that she can fight for her people in which series of novels?
9. Susan Hill's 'The Woman in Black' is a novel of which genre?
10. Which novel, named after a chess move, became one of Netflix's most-watched shows in 2020?

Round 4: Women in Literature

1. The Modern Prometheus
2. Maya Angelou
3. Margaret Atwood and Bernadine Evaristo
4. Wuthering Heights
5. Suzanne Collins
6. Normal People
7. Gone With The Wind
8. The Lord of The Rings
9. Horror
10. The Queen's Gambit

Answers

Round 5: Women in Politics

1. Emily Murphy was the first female magistrate in the British Empire, and in 1927 challenged a Canadian law that said “women should not be counted as _____.”
2. Who was the first female African-American Secretary of State and the first woman to serve as National Security Advisor?
3. Which country elected the first female Prime Minister?
4. Janet Reno, the first woman Attorney General of the USA, led the Federal Justice Department to join 20 States in filing injunctions against which American company?
5. When taking office at age 29, and commonly known by her initials, who is the youngest woman ever to serve in United States Congress?
6. Which position did Indira Gandhi hold before her assassination in 1984?
7. Sandra Day O’Connor was the first woman to serve on which court, from 1981 to 2006?
8. In which country was Benazir Bhutto Prime Minister?
9. Which country has the highest percentage of women in ministerial positions at the start of 2020?
10. Of 650 seats the House of Commons’, how many were occupied by women on 1 January 2020?

Round 5: Women in Politics

1. "Persons"
2. Condoleezza Rice
3. Sri Lanka
4. Microsoft
5. Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez (AOC)
6. Prime Minister of India
7. The Supreme Court of the United States of America
8. Pakistan
9. Spain
10. 220

Answers

Round 6: Women in Science

1. Dorothy Hodgkin was awarded the Nobel prize for her work on critical discoveries of the structure of which two medicines?
2. Sally Ride was a nationally ranked tennis player, but she chose physics over sports and ended up as a science professor, NASA planner, and the first _____?
3. In 1903, who was applauded for the discovery of radioactivity and new radioactive elements?
4. While a research associate at Kings College, London, the Cambridge graduate Rosalind Franklin worked on X-Ray diffraction images that later led to which important discovery of structure?
5. Who established the first secular nursing school in the world?
6. Marie Stopes founded the first UK clinic for what?
7. Before becoming the first African American woman to go into space, where did Dr Mae Jemison study?
8. The COBOL was popularised by female computer scientist Grace Hopper – but what is it?
9. Margaret Hamilton lead the development of the on-board flight system for which NASA mission?
10. What is Jane Goodall best known for?

Round 6: Women in Science

1. Penicillin and Insulin
2. Female American astronaut
3. Marie Curie
4. That DNA has a double-helix structure
5. Florence Nightingale
6. Female contraceptives
7. Cornell Medical School
8. A computer coding language
9. All of the Apollo missions
10. The longest study ever conducted, in the Gombe Forest, into Chimpanzee behaviour

Answers

Round 7: Women in Entertainment

1. Julia Child is well-known as the author of "Mastering the Art of French Cooking" and her television cooking shows. What was her previous career?
2. Adele made Grammy history at the 54th Annual Grammy Awards. She equalled Beyoncé's record for the most Grammys won by a female artist in one night and Eric Clapton's record for the most awards won by a British artist in one night – but how many awards did she win?
3. Which actress has the most Academy Award nominations for Best Actress?
4. Known as the 'Queen of Pop', Madonna staged the biggest live webcast of all time from the Brixton Academy in 2000 – but how many viewers tuned in?
5. Who won the Brit Award for Best Female Solo Artist in 2020?
6. What was Reese Witherspoon's character in Friends called?
7. What is the name of Billie Eilish's debut album?
8. What was Marilyn Monroe's birth name?
9. Who starred alongside Wendell Pierce in Death of a Salesman at the Young Vic in 2019?
10. Victoria Coren Mitchell has hosted which game show since 2008?

Round 7: Women in Entertainment

1. She was a spy
2. Six
3. Meryl Streep (17)
4. Nine million
5. Mabel
6. Jill Green (Rachel's Sister)
7. When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?
8. Norma Jeane Mortenson
9. Sharon D. Clarke
10. Only Connect

Answers

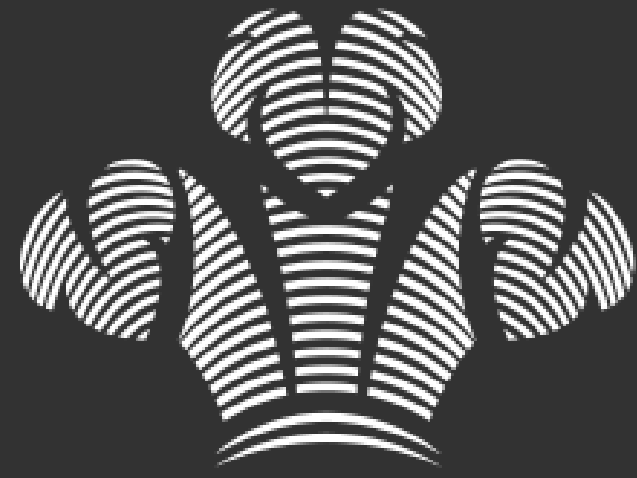
Round 8: Guess the year

1. In 2012 there were 4 female CEOs in the FTSE 100. When was the 5th appointed?
2. In which year was the first patent granted to a woman?
3. When was the first known performance of a play written by a female playwright?
4. In which year was Elizabeth Blackwell, originally from Bristol, the first woman to graduate medical school and become a doctor in the United States?
5. In what year did the first female university students in Britain graduate?
6. In which year did Michelle and Barack Obama get married?
7. In which year did Amelia Earheart become the first woman to fly solo and non-stop across the Atlantic?
8. In which year did J. K. Rowling have her first idea for the Harry Potter series?
9. Marie Curie was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize. What year did she win her first Nobel prize?
10. Sally Ride was the first American woman in space. In which year did she first make the trip?

Round 8: Guess the year

1. 2020
2. 1637
3. 1670
4. 1849
5. 1869
6. 1992
7. 1932
8. 1990
9. 1903
10. 1983

Answers



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