



EUROKNOW. Senior version

Set n. 1

## CULTURE

00/ In which European city is the headquarters of the European Film Academy located?  
**Berlin**

01/ What is Austria's official language? **German**

02/ What do the Queen of Spain and the capital of Bulgaria have in common? They're  
**both are called Sofia**

03/ What is the name of the writing symbols used by the ancient Scandinavians, which probably formed an alphabet? A. Runes. B. Cuneiform signs. C. Hieroglyphs.  
**The correct answer is: A. Runes**

04/ In which EU countries does the House of Bourbon reign? **the Kingdom of Spain and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg**

05/ Which territory of the EU is Gaul, where the adventures of Asterix and Obelix take place? **France**

06/ Which Michelangelo sculpture can be seen in the Roman basilica of San Pietro in Vincole? **The Moses**

07/ What are Luxembourg's three official languages? **German, French and Luxembourgish**

08/ Who wrote *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*? **Milan Kundera**

09/ What international award has the British writer J K Rowling received in Spain? **The Prince of Asturias Award for Concord in 2003**

10/ From which country does the figure of the ombudsman come from? **Sweden (In 1809 the Swedish Constitution established the figure of the Ombudsman)**

11/ In which country was the philosopher, scientist and writer Johann Wolfgang von Goethe born? **Germany**

12/ What nationality is the comic strip character Tintin? **Belgian**



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- 13/ Which alphabet does the Bulgarian language use? The **Cyrillic alphabet**
- 14/ In Greek mythology, the goddess Aphrodite was born from the foam of the sea near Paphos. In which country is this city? **Cyprus**
- 15/ What is the name of the unfinished cathedral designed by Gaudí? **The Sagrada Familia**
- 16/ Which country has the motto "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity"? **France**
- 17/ To which Greek epic, considered to be the oldest written poem in Western literature, do the verses "Sing, O Muse, the wrath of Achilles..." belong? **The Iliad**
- 18/ Which European city is the International Court of Justice (ICJ) based in? **The Hague**
- 19/ The original score of which world-famous musical work, the subject of countless arrangements and versions, was declared a World Heritage Site by Unesco in 2003? **Ludwig van Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.**
- 20/ Which Danish author wrote *The Ugly Duckling*? **Hans Christian Andersen**
- 21/ Which famous Greek hero of the Trojan War had problems with his right heel? **Achilles**
- 22/ Where does the international dish known as "goulash" come from? **Hungary**
- 23/ Who was in the film *Roman Holiday*? **Audrey Hepburn and Gregory Peck**
- 24/ With 7 world titles, who is the most successful Formula 1 driver in history? **Michael Schumacher**
- 25/ Which dynasty is known as the House of Austria? **The Habsburg dynasty**
- 26/ Where is it customary to eat mussels with French fries? **Belgium**
- 27/ Since Türkiye occupied the northern part of the island of Cyprus in 1974, what is the separation between the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot communities known as? **The Green Line**
- 28/ According to Greek mythology, who lived on Mount Olympus? **The gods**



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- 29/ What is the colloquial name of the Dutch national football team? **The Clockwork Orange**
- 30/ Which European museum features Leonardo Da Vinci's famous work *La Gioconda*?  
**At the Louvre Museum in Paris**
- 31/ Who was the architect who designed the Eiffel Tower? **Gustave Eiffel**
- 32/ In the Danish People's Church, who is the highest authority? **The monarch (currently Queen Margrethe II)**
- 33/ In which Spanish Autonomous Community are *sobaos pasiegos* typical? **Cantabria**
- 34/ What are the first and last letters in the Greek alphabet? **Alpha and Omega**
- 35/ What day is the French national holiday and what does it commemorate? **On 14 July and commemorates the storming of the Bastille.**
- 36/ What are the three colours of the flag of Ireland? **Green, white and orange**
- 37/ In which country was the film style known as neorealism born? **In Italy**
- 38/ What language is Romanian derived from? **Latin**
- 39/ Who was the designer of the Vatican Guard uniforms? **Michelangelo**
- 40/ When do the Germans say 'prost' and the British 'cheers'? For a **toast**
- 41/ What is the architectural style of Burgos Cathedral? **Gothic**
- 42/ What does the flag of Germany look like? **Three horizontal stripes of equal thickness: the top black, the middle red and the bottom yellow.**
- 43/ What European city was the birthplace of the composer Johannes Chrysostomus Theophilus Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart? **Salzburg**
- 44/ Which contemporary author was the author of *Ulysses*? **James Joyce**
- 45/ What are the official languages of Belgium? **French, Dutch and German.**



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- 46/ Who is the most famous Swedish filmmaker, whose films include *Fanny and Alexander*? **Ingmar Bergman**
- 47/ What was the Swedish actress Greta Lovisa Gustafsson known as? **Greta Garbo**
- 48/ Which world-famous fictional character was created by the Swedish writer Astrid Lindgren? **Pippi Longstocking (Pippi Långstrump)**
- 49/ What kind of film movement was launched in 1995 by the Danish directors Lars von Trier and Thomas Vinterberg? **Dogma**
- 50/ What is the title of Czech filmmaker Miloš Forman's film about Mozart? **Amadeus**
- 51/ Which literary character inspired the Romanian prince Vlad Tepes? **Dracula**
- 52/ Which Romanian author is one of the greatest exponents of the "theatre of the absurd"? **Eugène Ionesco**
- 53/ Which living languages belong to the Baltic language group? **Latvian and Lithuanian**
- 54/ In which European city is the traditional New Year's concert held every year? **Vienna**
- 55/ What nationality was the brilliant musician Frédéric Chopin? **Polish**
- 56/ Who appears on the Spanish-produced 10 cent Euro coins? **Cervantes**
- 57/ Who is Ireland's patron saint? **Saint Patrick**
- 58/ Which French sculptor is the author of works such as *The Thinker* and *The Kiss*? **Auguste Rodin**
- 59/ Who was the German inventor who founded the most important balloon company? **Zeppelin (Ferdinand von Zeppelin)**
- 60/ Which German writer, who won the Prince of Asturias Prize for Literature in 1999 and the Nobel Prize for Literature, is the author of *The Tin Drum*? **Günter Grass**
- 61/ Which German philosopher wrote the *Critique of Pure Reason*? **Immanuel Kant**
- 62/ Who wrote the following verse and in which famous play: "To be, or not to be, that is the question"? **William Shakespeare in "Hamlet"**.



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- 63/ Which book begins with the sentence "As Gregor Samsa awoke one morning from uneasy dreams, he found himself transformed in his bed into a gigantic insect"? **"The Metamorphosis" by Franz Kafka.**
- 64/ Which Spanish writer, author of *The Holy Innocents*, winner of the Spanish National Literature Award and the Prince of Asturias Award, died in 2010? **Miguel Delibes**
- 65/ Which Spanish painter, author of "Las Señoritas de Avignon", a key reference of Cubism, revolutionised 20th century painting? **Pablo Picasso**
- 66/ What was the name that Don Quixote gave to his horse? **Rocinante**
- 67/ Which Spanish literary figure is a universal myth of the seductive, daring and libertine man who has no respect for divine or human law? **Don Juan**
- 68/ Which was the first Spanish film to win an Oscar? ***Volver a Empezar*, by José Luis Garci**
- 69/ What other Spaniard, besides Francisco de Vitoria, is considered one of the founders of modern international law, a great protector of the Indians and a forerunner of human rights? **Bartolomé de las Casas**
- 70/ Which 16th-century Spanish mystic escaped the noise of the world and followed the hidden path where the world's few wise men have gone? **Fray Luis de León**
- 71/ Which are the longest and most abundant rivers in the Iberian Peninsula? **The Tagus and the Ebro**
- 72/ Where did the Greek soldier Philipides, who died of exhaustion in Athens in 490 BC after announcing his victory over the Persian army in Athens, begin his heroic career? **At Marathon**
- 73/ Where was Alfred Hitchcock from? **The United Kingdom**
- 74/ Where did the character Zorba, played by Anthony Quinn in 1964, come from? **Greece**
- 75/ What critical and avant-garde pictorial movement emerged with great vitality in interwar Germany? **Expressionism**
- 76/ Which Central European city is famous for its beer festival, better known as "Oktoberfest"? **Munich**



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- 77/ What are the three most important cycling stage races in Europe? **Tour de France, Giro d'Italia and Vuelta a España.**
- 78/ Where was the satirist Jonathan Swift, author of "Gulliver's Travels", from? **The Republic of Ireland**
- 79/ Which well-known Flemish Baroque painter was an ambassador to various European courts in the 17th century? **Rubens**
- 80/ The Islamic world rescued the legacy of classical thought for medieval Europe. Which Cordovan philosopher was famous for his work on the work of Aristotle? **Averroes**
- 81/ What is the religion of the majority population in Poland? **Catholicism**
- 82/ What region of France is champagne from? **Champagne**
- 83/ Which Dutch football team has won the European Cup four times? **Ajax Amsterdam**
- 84/ The flag of Spain takes its colours from the flag of a peninsular kingdom of medieval origin. Which kingdom is it? **The Kingdom of Aragon**
- 85/ Who published the book *The Origin of Species* in 1859? **Charles Darwin**
- 86/ What revolutionised the world of genetics when Watson and Crick made their discovery in 1953? **The structure of DNA**
- 87/ Which Austrian monk and naturalist is credited with discovering the laws of genetics through his experiments with pea plants? **Mendel (Gregor Johann Mendel-Angustuos)**
- 88/ In which of Graham Greene's novels, which have been made into films twice, are the last years of French rule in Indochina and the beginning of the American intervention reflected? **The Quiet American**
- 89/ Which French author was in search of lost time? **Marcel Proust, *In Search of Lost Time.***
- 90/ Which city does Leopold Bloom, the anti-hero created by James Joyce in *Ulysses*, travel through? **Dublin**



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- 91/ Where can the Pergamon Altar be seen? **At the Pergamon Museum in Berlin.**
- 92/ What century is the Cinquecento? **The 16th century**
- 93/ Which revolutionary British band chose a name inspired by an insect? **The Beatles**
- 94/ Which British rock band did Mick Jagger sing (*I can't get no*) *Satisfaction* with? **The Rolling Stones**
- 95/ Which French singer had no regrets and saw life in a rosy color? **Edith Piaf**
- 96/ Which British band made an irreverent and controversial 1977 version of *God Save the Queen*? **The Sex Pistols**
- 97/ Which Italian actor takes a bath in the Trevi Fountain with Anita Ekberg in *La Dolce Vita*? **Marcello Mastroianni**
- 98/ Which intellectual has been honoured with the Erasmus Prize in the Humanities, Social Sciences and the Arts since 1958? **Erasmus of Rotterdam**
- 99/ Which architect designed the City of Arts and Sciences in Valencia and the Auditorium in Tenerife? **Santiago Calatrava**



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