

Mind  over Matter.

2019

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1. Developed by Chef Dominique Ansel and trademarked by his bakery, this was named by Time Magazine as one of the 25 best inventions of 2013. What is the name of this bakery item?





4. What piece of apparel was reimagined by Nike and released recently for sale, after collaboration with Emirati skater, Zahra Lari, German Boxer, Zeina Nissar and runner Manal Rostom, amongst others

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7. This set of 10 stamps released by the US Postal Service in June 2018 owe their existence to a scientific race of five decades ago and the efforts of researchers at two companies, 3M and NCR Corporation.

The process they developed was called “micro encapsulation”.

What's unique about these stamps?





Round 4

Portfolio: Art & Architecture



2. Which astronomical body is depicted here (see blue arrow)?



3. Which artist had his work *Vote to Love* rejected from the Royal Academy's Summer Art Exhibition last year when he submitted it under the pseudonym Bryan S. Gaakman?



6. Which Swiss architects designed this new building of the Tai Kwun cultural hub?



7. Han van Meegeren, one of the world's most infamous forgers, was put on trial in the Netherlands in 1947.

He confessed to the lesser charge of forgery to prove himself innocent of which more serious crime?



Round 5
Cine Blitz - Movies



2. The fictional island of Kalokairi was the setting of which hit 2008 movie? (Hint – it's the location of the Villa Donna, run by Donna Sheridan)



4. “Don’t miss the climax” is the tag line for which 2018 Hollywood movie? (Hint – it’s the last movie of a trilogy)

5. -- , who is playing his boyhood hero - - in NatGeo's "Genius: - ." Both men are from Málaga, Spain.





Round 6
Fai Di La – Hong Kong



1. Which Hong Kong Coin is the
heaviest, tipping the scales at 13.5g?



氹氹
yinyeung or yuenyeung

3. Fill in the blanks.

This is a drink that is 3 parts of a combined with 7 parts of b.



5. Which unique service did Hong Kong McDonald's launch in 2011?



7. What is the name of this famous cartoon pig created by Alice Mak and Brian Tse?



Round 7

Ambrosia – Food and Drink

4. On a sailing boat, ropes (or chains) are used to fix to the lower corners of sails to hold them in place. If these are loose, the sails will blow in the wind. What phrase, denoting extreme drunkenness derives from this?



5. Tom Browne a founding member of the London Sketch Club, was publicly acclaimed and was made a Royal Illustrator. What is his link to the world of liquor advertising?

6. Chef Massimo Bottura is at Osteria Francescana in Modena, Italy, one of the most consistently number one rated restaurants in the world. This is a signature dessert of his. It's called "Oops! I dropped the..."





Round 8
Good Vibrations



1. In September 2016, she was approached to sing at the Nobel awards ceremony to honour the Literature prize winner. She was prepared to sing one of her songs, but when she realised that it was Bob Dylan who was the winner, she sang one of his songs. Who's singing?



4. This monument, a sculpture by Eila Hiltunen, titled Passio Musicae is in a park named after him in the capital city of the country, where this composer is from. He passed away in 1957. Who?





5. His parents nicknamed him — in honour of his ancestor Herman Melville.

In 2016 he published his autobiography titled Porcelain:
A Memoir.

Who?

(Born Richard Melville Hall)



Round 9

Around the World: History and Geography



2. The islands formerly known as The Spice Islands – due to the nutmeg, mace and cloves that were originally exclusively found there – are part of which modern day country?



Honduras



Nicaragua



Costa Rica

3. Which country or flag should come next after this sequence and why?



5. Originally launched in 1985, what is the name of this fictional edutainment character, who encouraged children to decipher geographical or historical clues to solve crimes?



Round 10
BAU: Business



1. Operation Car Wash is an ongoing criminal investigation linked to one of Latin America's largest companies and has already resulted in the indictments of amongst other, 2 Presidents of the country.

Name the company and the country.



3. After more than a dozen years working at Silicon Valley venture-capital powerhouse Kleiner Perkins, Aileen Lee left to start her own firm, Cowboy Ventures.

In 2013, she wrote an analysis of the start-up and tech ecosystem.

What term did this help coin?



5. Lorenzo Servitje died in 2017.

He was the founder of Grupo Bimbo which is the largest bakery in the world.

When he named it he was unaware of the pejorative connotations of Bimbo in the US!

What's the derivation of the word?

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6. In Ridley Scott's 2017 thriller, All the money in the world Kevin Spacey was replaced by Christopher Plummer. What's the name of the character being played by Christopher Plummer?





Finals Round 1

Planet Earth: Science and
Nature



1. Which rare earth element, with applications in lasers and in wavelength calibration standards for optical spectrophotometers, is named for the capital of Sweden?



3. Which trance-inducing analgesic drug is being trialed to help treat and reduce the uncontrollable, jerky movements that arise in Parkinson's disease patients?



Finals Round 2

Sun and Sand: Travel



3. Elon Musk recently put a Tesla roadster into space..

What two words were written on the dashboard of the roadster?





4. If you travelled by train in China to Tibet, you would find this odd object under your seat. What is it there for?





Finals Round 4

Mixed Bag



1. Which company briefly considered 007 for its stock market ticket when it listed on the London Stock Exchange in September 2018 before cooler heads prevailed?



2. The ~700,000 people who live here have no local voting rights and so got this licence plate as an official mark of protest. Where?





Finals Round 5

Flashback 2018



1. Which Nobel prize category was not awarded last year, instead leaving two to be announced next year? Please also give one of the reasons offered.



2. Which landmark got this ringing endorsement last year:

[It's] famous not just in Europe, but in the whole world. It's famous for its 123-metre spire, it's famous for its clock, the first one [of its kind] ever created in the world, which is still working."



Finals Round 6

Faster, Higher, Stronger: Sports



1. Wimbledon is the only Grand Slam that has a break in the middle of the tournament on what is known as Middle Sunday.

This results in a jam packed schedule on Day 7, which is a Monday.

What term which has now stuck is used to describe this day ?



4. A design classic, this was originally named after the French sportsman, Robert Haillet, and the person now associated with it was originally asked to just model for this product.

What am I talking about?