



## Elementary

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*Choose the best answer for each question.*

1. What is the Capitol?
  - a. the building where the US congress meets in Washington DC
  - b. the main city of a country
  
2. What is the Boat Race?
  - a. A race between taxi drivers on the streets of London
  - b. A race that takes place each year on the River Thames between the rowing teams from universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and is watched by many people on TV
  
3. What is doggy bag?
  - a. a paper or plastic bag which dog owners carry when they take their dogs out for a walk and they put in it what their dogs have made
  - b. a paper or plastic bag provided by a restaurant at the end of the meal for customers who want to take home any of their food that they have not eaten. It is common in the US but not in Britain
  
4. What is g and t?
  - a. an expression in language learning: grammar and tasks
  - b. an abbreviation of gin and tonic
  
5. What is Gatwick?
  - a. the second largest airport in England
  - b. the name of a witch who stands at the door of house

## Intermediate

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1. What is Candid Camera?
  - a. a TV programme that showed the preparation of sweet meals
  - b. a TV programme that shows members of the public who had been secretly filmed in funny or embarrassing situations. At the end of each section the person being filmed was told, 'Smile, you are on Candid Camera!'
  
2. Who is Ann Boleyn?
  - a. a singer who was in the original cast of the Spice Girls but was kicked out of the group for weight reasons
  - b. the second wife of Henry VIII. Her marriage to Henry against the wishes of the Pope led to England's break from the Roman Catholic Church and the start of the Church of England. However, when she failed to produce a son, Henry lost interest in her. She was accused of having affair with other men, and her head was cut off.
  
3. What is dean's list?
  - a. the list a teacher prepared with the names of those students whom he or she intends to fail



- b. a list produced each year at most US colleges and universities of students who have achieved the highest grades in their courses of study. This list is published in local newspapers.
  
4. What is kitchen-sink drama?
  - a. a type of British play of the 1950s and 1960s which showed the conflicts or unpleasant quality of home life in a realistic way
  - b. an unpleasant situation when the kitchen sink is full of dirty dishes and the husband calls his wife a lazy drama queen
  
5. What is KISS-principle?
  - a. a method practiced by university students. They kiss everyone at a party and the one they kiss last will be their wife or husband
  - b. in business the idea that products and advertising should be as simple as possible in order to be successful. KISS is short for 'Keep it simple, stupid.'

## Advanced

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1. What are the Canterbury Tales?
  - a. some urban legends from the town of Canterbury
  - b. a long poem by Geoffrey Chaucer, begun in 1387. It is one of the first great poems in English.
  
2. What is the Boer war?
  - a. a war between the British and the Boers, Dutch farmers who had settled in South Africa. The Boers had established two independent republics, and the British wanted to control the whole region. The British won, but only after much bitter fighting.
  - b. The fight the de Boer brothers had to fight when they were playing football for an English football team
  
3. What is Diplock Court?
  - a. a special court where people who committed serious crimes were sentenced to spend the rest of their lives locked deep under the ground
  - b. a special court of law in Northern Ireland for people accused of terrorist offences.
  
4. What is Dieu et mon droit?
  - a. a French phrase meaning God and my right which has been the motto of the English kings and queens since the 14<sup>th</sup> century
  - b. an offensive saying among secondary school students with behaviour problems, meaning die you droid
  
5. What are the funnies?
  - a. the section of newspapers containing comic strips
  - b. the ironic name of all US politicians