

National Numeracy Day Live

Bobby's Big Number Fun Quiz

Answer Sheet

Round One: Wild About Numbers

Q1. Some animals live for a very long time. Which of these is the world's oldest known animal?

Answer: C – Jonathan the 190 year old tortoise.

Fun fact: Jonathan lives on the Island of Saint Helena in the Pacific Ocean. Jonathan has lived 69 years longer than the oldest ever human being. He features on the island's 5p coin.

Q2. Four little pigs bought a pizza for a picnic. What should they cut the pizza into so that each of them gets a fair share?

Answer: C – Quarters.

Q3. Baby Bear eats seven boxes of porridge a week. Daddy Bear eats double that amount. How many boxes of porridge does Daddy Bear eat?

Answer: C – 14.

Q4. The world's shortest adult dog is a Chihuahua called Pearl. How short do you think she is?

Answer: B – 9.1cm.

Fun fact: Pearl the Chihuahua is shorter than a tin of baked beans!

Q5. How many bones do sharks have?

Answer: A – zero.

Fun fact: Sharks don't have bones like we do. Instead, they have cartilage – a kind of flexible tissue that helps them to float.



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Round two: Maths Mysteries

Q1. Mathematicians are all born good at maths – true or false?

Answer: False – mathematicians are just people who have spent a lot of time working on their maths skills. Nobody is born being good at maths but with practice, we can improve.

Q2. The most important part of maths is to get the answer as quickly as you can – true or false?

Answer: False – maths is not a race. Feeling like you have to give an answer quickly can actually make it harder. It's okay if it takes you longer than someone else to get the answer.

Q3. We all use maths and numbers in some way every day – true or false?

Answer: True – we all use numbers every day.

Q4. The first electric computer was heavier than a double decker bus – true or false?

Answer: True – the ENIAC computer was invented in 1946 and weighed 30 tons – that's over twice the weight of a double decker bus.

Q5. Maths is scary – true or false?

Answer: Trick question! Whilst it's true that lots of people say that they find maths scary, it doesn't have to be. There are lots of ways that we can build our number confidence and skills.

Round three: Fascinating Football Facts

Q1. Legendary Brazilian footballer Pelé holds the world record for scoring the most goals in a footballing career. How many goals did he score?

Answer: D – 1,279.

Q2. A football match is 90 minutes long but sometimes, games have to go into extra time. How long did the longest ever football match last?

Answer: C – 203 minutes.

Q3. The longest cake ever made measured 5,300 meters long. That's as long as approximately how many football pitches?

Answer: D – 50 football pitches.

Q4. Kristine Lilly holds the record for most international caps earned by a female football player – true or false?

Answer: True – during her career, Kristine Lilly won 354 caps for the US women's national team between 1987 and 2010.

Q5. Everyone can get better at football with practice – true or false?

Answer: True – we can all get better at football with practice. It's the same with maths.

