



Advanced Cultural Quiz

- What is vegemite made up of?
 - Malt
 - Pepper
 - Leftover brewers' yeast
 - Sardines
- What animal is considered sacred in India?
 - Cows
 - Pigs
 - Ducks
 - Dogs
- How many languages are spoken in China?
 - 5
 - 200
 - 302
 - 8,965
- In what year was spam invented?
 - 1890
 - 1901
 - 1937
 - 1980
- How many countries are there in South America?
 - 25
 - 32
 - 9
 - 12
- What did the first meal on the moon consist of July 20 1969?
 - Apple juice
 - Bacon
 - Salad
 - Steak and fries
- Which country has the highest rate of vegetarianism?
 - India
 - South Africa
 - Australia
 - Germany
- Brussels sprouts, kale, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, and kohlrabi all come from which family?
 - Sprouts
 - Laurels
 - Brassica oleracea
 - Amaranthaceae
- La Tomatina is a traditional, annual festival held every year in?
 - Southern Italy
 - France
 - Spain
 - Sweden
- What is Russia's national animal?
 - Red Deer
 - Siberian Tigers
 - Wild Boar
 - Eurasian brown bear
- Which one of these is banned in many countries across the world?
 - Mandarins
 - Cereal
 - Blueberries
 - Mountain Dew
- Which food is considered a delicacy in Jamaica?
 - Mangos
 - Ackees
 - Salt Fish
 - Salmon
- What was the colour of the original carrots?
 - Green
 - Purple
 - Orange
 - Red
- In 1610, a Polish law declared what item of food was presented to women after childbirth?
 - Breadloaf
 - Bowl of fruit
 - A bag of rice
 - A Bagel



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- 1. C** - Vegemite was invented in Melbourne in 1923. It has a thick, dark brown consistency and is made from leftover brewers' yeast extract with various vegetable and spice additives. Vegemite is salty, slightly bitter and rich in umami flavour.
- 2. A** - Hinduism favours a vegetarian diet and protects the cow as a sacred animal and source of prosperity.
- 3. C** - China is a country rich in different languages because it was originally made up of many different regions. The regional differences contributed to the various Chinese languages we know of today. The most common Chinese language spoken is Mandarin.
- 4. C** - Spam is a brand of canned cooked pork. The difficulty of delivering fresh meat during World War II saw Spam become an essential part of the U.S. soldier's diet.
- 5. D** - South America includes 12 countries and two non-sovereign entities: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Falkland Islands, French Guiana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay and Venezuela.
- 6. B** - The first meal on the Moon included bacon cut into squares, sugar cookies, a fruit drink and coffee.
- 7. A** - Surveys cited by FAO and USDA estimate 40% of the Indian population is vegetarian. Religion also plays an important role in the number of vegetarians in India. Hindus, Jains, and Buddhists all advocate a form of vegetarianism.
- 8. C** - Brassica Oleracea is a plant species that includes many common plant varieties, such as cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, kale and brussels sprouts.
- 9. C** - La Tomatina is Spain's tomato throwing festival that takes place annually on the last Wednesday in August in the town of Buñol.
- 10. D** - The Eurasian brown bear has many different characteristics. People living in Russia view it as a strong animal that is resilient and persevering. The largest Eurasian brown bear population in the world can be found in Russia's Ural Mountain range.
- 11. D** - Mountain Dew was made using brominated vegetable oil, or BVO. The food additive has caused controversy and is banned in many countries across the world including Japan.
- 12. B** - Ackee is native to West Africa, widely cultivated throughout tropical and subtropical regions for its edible fruit. Ackee and saltfish is the national dish of Jamaica. Ackee goes through stages of maturation and ripening. During these different stages, the fruit has varying levels of a toxin called Hypoglycin A and B. If eaten when unripe, ackee can cause severe vomiting, abdominal pain and even death.
- 13. B** - Wild carrots started off as either white or pale yellow, but changed to purple and yellow when people first domesticated the vegetable almost 5,000 years ago.
- 14. D** - Throughout the 17th-century people believed bagels symbolised a long, healthy life. The city of Krakow in Poland passed a new law that new mothers should be given bagels as a gift.