

Advanced Cultural Quiz



- Which of these countries does not share a land border with China?
a) India
b) Thailand
c) Russia
- In which country is Transylvania located?
- How many countries does the Amazon River flow through?
- American cooking show 'Top Chef' had a new host take over from its long-time host Padma Lakshmi for its most recent season 20. Who was it?
- Name the largest desert in the world.
- How many letters are there in the modern Greek alphabet?
- How many member states are there in the African Union (as of 2025)?
a) 55
b) 56
c) 58
- Who were the three original judges of MasterChef Australia?
- Which island group includes Tenerife, Gran Canaria, and Lanzarote?
- How many restaurants in Australia have achieved a Michelin Star?
- How deep is the Mariana Trench in meters?
a) 10,984
b) 9,527
c) 8,443
- "Astana" is the capital city of which country in Central Asia?
- The Ganges River, considered sacred by many, has its largest portion flowing through which country?
a) Nepal
b) Bangladesh
c) India
- What is the name of Maggie Beer's television series that had its first series on the ABC in 2024?
- Where would you find the Galápagos Islands?
a) Atlantic Ocean
b) Pacific Ocean
c) Indian Ocean
d) Southern Ocean
- "Plantain" is a staple food in many tropical regions. What type of food is plantain?
- Which ancient wonder of the world was a lighthouse built on the small island of Pharos?
a) The Colossus of Rhodes
b) The Lighthouse of Alexandria
c) The Statue of Zeus at Olympia
- Which country made the world's first commercially available peanut butter?"?
- Australia's first milk bar was opened in 1932 in which city?
- Which mountain is the tallest in Africa?
a) Mount Kilimanjaro
b) Mount Kenya
c) Mount Elgon



Advanced Cultural Quiz answer sheet



1. **Which of these countries does not share a land border with China?**
Answer: a) Thailand.
2. **In which country is Transylvania located?**
Answer: Romania, a region which is known for its picturesque landscapes and associations with the Dracula legend.
3. **How many countries does the Amazon River flow through?**
Answer: Three. The Amazon River flows through 3 countries: Brazil, Colombia, and Peru, with Brazil containing the largest portion of the river.
4. **American cooking show 'Top Chef' had a new host take over from its long-time host Padma Lakshmi for its most recent season 20. Who was it?**
Answer: Kristen Kish. Before taking on hosting duties, Kristen was a contestant herself and the standout winner of season 10.
5. **Name the largest desert in the world.**
Answer: The Antarctic Desert is the largest desert in the world, classified as such due to its extremely low precipitation levels despite its ice coverage.
6. **How many letters are there in the modern Greek alphabet?**
Answer: 24.
7. **How many member states are there in the African Union (as of 2025)?**
Answer: a) 55. As of 2025, the African Union has 55 member states, representing nearly all countries on the African continent.
8. **Who were the three original judges of MasterChef Australia?**
Answer: The original judges of MasterChef Australia were Matt Preston, George Calombaris, and Gary Mehigan, who were integral to the show's success in its early years.
9. **Which island group includes Tenerife, Gran Canaria, and Lanzarote?**
Answer: Canary Islands. A Spanish archipelago off the northwest coast of Africa.
10. **How many restaurants in Australia have achieved a Michelin Star?**
Answer: No restaurants in Australia have achieved a Michelin Star because Australia is not included in the regions covered by the Michelin Guide.
11. **How deep is the Mariana Trench in meters?**
Answer: a) 10,984 meters deep.
12. **"Astana" is the capital city of which country in Central Asia?**
Answer: Kazakhstan.
13. **The Ganges River, considered sacred by many, has its largest portion flowing through which country?**
Answer: c) India.
14. **What is the name of Maggie Beer's television series that had its first series on the ABC in 2024?**
Answer: Maggie Beer's Big Mission
15. **Where would you find the Galápagos Islands?**
Answer: b) Pacific Ocean.
16. **"Plantain" is a staple food in many tropical regions. What type of food is plantain?**
Answer: A tropical fruit similar to a banana, widely consumed in its starchy form in many parts of Africa, the Caribbean, and Central America.
17. **Which ancient wonder of the world was a lighthouse built on the small island of Pharos?**
Answer: b) The Lighthouse of Alexandria, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, was built on the island of Pharos in Egypt to guide sailors safely to the harbor.
18. **Which country made the world's first commercially available peanut butter?**
Answer: Australia made the world's first commercially available peanut butter in 1898, a few years before it was introduced in the United States.
19. **Australia's first milk bar was opened in 1932 in which city?**
Answer: Sydney. The first milk bar in Australia opened in Martin Place in 1932 by Greek immigrant Mick Adams, pioneering a new style of dining and socializing.
20. **Which mountain is the tallest in Africa?**
Answer: a) Mount Kilimanjaro, standing at 5,895 meters.