Answers

Which British company, one of the world's largest makers of aircraft engines, recently announced it will be cutting production and losing 8000 jobs?

a. Bentley

b. Aston Martin

c. Rolls Royce

c. Rolls Royce - The aeroplane engine maker employs 52,000 people worldwide, with 23,000 staff in the UK. The aviation industry has been badly hit by the pandemic as many flights across the world have been suspended. As aircraft manufacturers have cut production - Rolls Royce has had to follow.

True or false, the International Energy Agency has measured an 8% increase in CO2 emissions because of lockdowns around the world?

False - Lockdowns in response to the pandemic will see global emissions fall by a record 8%, the International Energy Agency has said.

Which of the following countries has (as of 14 May), reported no deaths from COVID-19?

a. Singapore

b. Denmark

c. Vietnam

c. Vietnam - Despite sharing a border with China, Vietnam has reported less than 300 cases (as of 14 May). Their success has been attributed to aggressive testing, contact tracing and public messaging.



What is the name of this landmark where summer solstice celebrations have been cancelled for 2020 due to coronavirus?

Stonehenge - Traditionally about 10,000 people have gathered at the Neolithic monument in Wiltshire, on or around 21 June, to mark midsummer. English Heritage said it was cancelling the event "for the safety and wellbeing of attendees, volunteers and staff"...

Why are two pandas expected to be returned to China from a zoo in Canada?

- a. they are believed to be suffering from "homesickness"
 - b. there is not enough bamboo in Canada to feed them
- c. China has asked for all pandas to be returned to China in the next few months

b. there is not enough bamboo in Canada to feed them - Pandas will only eat fresh bamboo and Canada has a limited supply which might run out. The pandas arrived in Canada in 2014 and were expected to stay for 10 years as part of an agreement with China.

The sporting world has something to focus on now that the Bundesliga has resumed. What is the Bundesliga?

a. a rugby union competition held in France
b. an Austrian multi-stage cycle race
c. a football league in Germany

c. a football league in Germany - Bundesliga was the first of Europe's major leagues to swing back into action since the coronavirus lockdown. In order to get the political green light to resume, the German Football League (DFL) has tested players and coaches regularly for the virus and teams have been in quarantine for the past week.

- Why has Tesla boss Elon Musk, been in the news again this week?

 a. he has announced the Tesla plant will start producing hospital ventilators
- b. he is defying coronavirus shutdown orders by reopening a Tesla plant in the US
 - c. he has started a Twitter war with Donald Trump

b. he is defying coronavirus shutdown orders by reopening a Tesla plant in the US - Tesla CEO Elon Musk has confirmed the company has reopened its California factory in violation of local government orders due to coronavirus. State law allows a fine of \$USD1,000 (\$1548) a day or up to 90 days in jail for operating in violation of health orders.



What is the purpose of this robot that is being used in Singapore?

- a. Encouraging social distancing
- b. Helping deliver shopping to elderly people
- c. Collecting sports equipment to avoid contact between strangers

a. Encouraging social distancing - The four-legged robot "dog" will patrol the area starting this weekend and broadcast a pre-recorded message to visitors to remind them of the importance of social distancing. The device will also be equipped with cameras that will scan the surroundings and help officials estimate the number of people gathering in parks.

Transformers actor Mark Wahlberg, has been using his fast-food chain of restaurants to provide meals to frontline workers. What is the name of his fast-food chain?

a. Wahlburgers

b. MarkDonalds

c. More Than Meat And Fries

a. Wahlburgers - Wahlberg said in a statement, "We're somewhat used to getting accolades, so it was nice to help champion for someone else and give them the credit they deserve".

South Korea has over 100 new cases of COVID-19 linked to ...?

a. a hairdresser who went to work even though they had

symptoms

b. a man who went nightclubbing

c. an Uber driver

b. a man who went nightclubbing - Seoul's mayor ordered more than 2100 nightclubs, bars and discos closed and urged others to enforce anti-virus measures, including distancing, temperature checks, keeping customer lists and requiring employees to wear masks.

The song 'Waterloo' has been voted the best Eurovision song of all time by BBC viewers. Which band wrote and performed the song?

a. Abba
b. The Beatles
c. The Bee Gees

a. Abba - Eurovision: Come Together saw the public vote for their favourites, on the night this year's song contest was due to take place. The 2020 competition was cancelled in March amid the coronavirus pandemic. The Swedish foursome won it in 1974 in Brighton. The track, which topped the UK charts and set them on their way to fame, went on to sell nearly 6m copies.



In which major world city was this attraction reopened to the public last week?

a. Moscow b. Toronto c. Shanghai

c. Shanghai - Visits to Disneyland Shanghai will be limited initially and must be booked in advance, and the company said it will increase cleaning and require social distancing in lines for the various attractions. With warmer weather and new virus cases and deaths falling to near-zero, China has been reopening tourist sites such as the Great Wall and the Forbidden City palace complex in Beijing.

Tapas is a common style of food in which country?

a. Egypt

c. Spain

c. Hungary

c. Spain - A tapa is a small portion of any kind of Spanish cuisine. Tapas can be combined to make a full meal, with dishes often shared amongst the group.

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Which billionaire is selling a stake in Virgin Galactic to raise \$500m to prop up his other businesses?

a. Bill Gates

b. Jeff Bezos

c. Richard Branson

c. Richard Branson - Branson was criticised for seeking financial help from the taxpayer for Virgin Atlantic. He will now sell a share of his space tourism business.

A skateboarding world record was set recently after a skateboarder landed a 1080-degree turn on a vertical ramp. What was special about the person who landed it?

a. they were 62 years old

b. they had only started skateboarding three weeks beforehand c. they were only 11-years-old

c. they were only 11-years-old - The closure of schools in Brazil had given the 11-year-old plenty of time to practise. The previous record of 900-degrees was set more than two decades ago by skateboarding legend, Tony Hawk.



Which European country has this flag?

Denmark

Donald Trump's response to the coronavirus pandemic was called "an absolute chaotic disaster" by who?

a. former US President, Barack Obama
b. Canadian Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau
c. British Prime Minister, Boris Johnson

a. former US President, Barack Obama - Mr Trump maintains his administration is getting "great marks" for its response. Donald Trump hit back at the criticism by saying that Obama "didn't have a clue" while handling the 2009 swine flu pandemic.

What is the capital city of Kenya?

a. Mombasa

b. Nairobi

c. Gaborone

b. Nairobi - Mombasa is the second largest, while Gaborone is the capital of Botswana.

Last month, Leicestershire man, Graham Walters broke the world record for the oldest person to row solo across the Atlantic. How old was he?

a. 72 years-old

b. 82 years-old

c. 92 years-old

a. 72 years-old - He set out from The Canary Islands near Africa in January, and landed on the Caribbean island of Antigua on April 30th. Not only is he the oldest person to row across the Atlantic, he is the oldest person to row across any ocean and to cross the same ocean multiple times (five times).



What is the last name of this England footballer who was the victim of a scary incident last week?

Alli - Tottenham and England midfielder Dele Alli was held at knifepoint during a burglary of his house in the early hours of the morning last Wednesday. The intruders stole items of jewellery including watches. Alli has handed CCTV footage to the police.

The End