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Results

Rank	Team	1	2	3	Final
1	The Rakes	16	15	21	52
2	Gorilla Gone	17	17	17	51
2	All Diabetics Eve	15	17	19	51
4	Witch Please	12	17	9	38
5	Zac a Boom	11	14	10	35
6	Great Eggs and Ham	12	12	7	31
7	The ATVers	7	9	8	24
AVERAGE		12.9	14.4	13	40.3

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Category 1 - Forewords

The first letter of the next five answers will progress by one letter alphabetically; the first answer does not necessarily start with "A".

1. What girl-friendly mineral rates a 10 out of 10 on the Mohs hardness scale?
2. What second book of the Bible is traditionally ascribed to Mark?
3. What European country shares its three longest borders with Belgium, Spain, and Brazil?
4. What is the main alcohol in a Singapore Sling?
5. What band of brother had their only number one single with 1997s MMMBop?

Category 2 - Geniuses

6. Which of the following could you find by visiting genius.com:
a) car quotes | b) recipes | c) song lyrics
7. What late theoretical physicist hosted a 2016 PBS series titled, "Genius" that asked questions like "Can we Time Travel?"?
8. According to the title of the 2001 Nickelodeon film, what subatomic animated character is a boy genius?
9. What pianist was nominated for an album of the year Grammy for 1962s "Genius + Soul = Jazz" and won the category 43 years later with "Genius Loves Company"?
10. Colloquially known as the genius grant, what annual American prize is awarded to individuals who show extraordinary originality in their fields?

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Category 3 - Acronyms

11. A precursor to Windows, what does the D in MS DOS stand for?
12. What US stat is the first M: in the name of the company 3M?
13. A popular instant messaging program in the 90s, what does the "A" in the multi-level acronym "AIM" stand for?
14. According to Alec Baldwin's character in Glengarry Glenross, what does the "B" in the sales initialism "ABC" stand for?
15. Examples of RAS syndrome include ATM machine and Pin Number. What does the "S" in "RAS Syndrome" stand for?

Category 4 - Music

16. What small rough 1996 album of the year is the second best selling by a Canadian artist?
17. What Queen anthem was released as a double A-side single with "We are the Champions"?
18. The artwork for what Green Day album features a print of a heart-shaped hand grenade gripped by a blood-soaked fist?
19. What alliterative ABBA single begins with the lines "I've been cheated by you since I don't know when / So I made up my mind: it must come to an end"?
20. What Bob Dylan song that was re-recorded as a duet with Johnny Cash borrows two lines from the traditional folk song "Scarborough Fair"?

Bonus: What do the previous 5 answers have in common?

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Category 5 - Countdown

Each answer contains a number on some form. The number will decrease by one in each answer

21. Ratified in 1863, what change to the American constitution abolished slavery in the United States?
22. For what Terry Gilliam film did Brad Pitt receive his first Oscar nomination?
23. What 2014 novel by Emily St. John Mandel follows a travelling symphony around a post-pandemic North America?
24. What current NFL franchise won back-to-back championships in 1960 and 61 when they were known as the Huston Astros?
25. Atticus Ross and Trent Reznor are the only permanent members of what Hurt band?

Category 6 - Space

26. The dwarf planet ceres can be found immediately between the orbits of what two planets?
27. What Amazon founder is also the founder of the aerospace company Blue Origin?
28. On a standard QWERTY keyboard, what key appears directly to the left of the space bar?
29. What Russian pilot's only space slight was aboard the 1961 Vostok 1?
30. Which of the following layers is furthest from the Earth's core: Exosphere, Mesosphere, Stratosphere?

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Category 7 - Cards

31. What are the two decks of cards that sit on the board in standard Monopoly?
32. The website priceless.com directs users to what credit card company's website?
33. When a sprinter is shown a diagonally divided red and black card, what disqualifying offense have they committed?
34. Now banned in most versions of the game, the Black Lotus is widely considered the most powerful and expensive card in what card game?
35. Andrew Wiggin is the title character of what 1985 military sci-fi novel by Orson Scott Card?

Category 8 - 3-letter words

Each answer is 3-letters long

36. According to the book of Genesis, the first clothes were made from the leaves of what tree?
 37. In the Marvel comics, what particles allow Ant-Man to change size?
 38. What is the name of the operating system used on Apple smart phones?
 39. Also a Saudi-backed professional golf tour, what is the Roman numeral for 54?
 40. What cartoon chihuahua lives with a cat named Stimpy?
- Bonus: Like a bad summary, what 15-letter word can you make by rearranging the letters from the previous 5 answers?

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Category 9 - Ballooning Animals

Each answer contains an animal, The animals increase in weight with each progressive question

Hint: the animals are from 5 different classes: Bird, Fish, Insect, Mammal, Reptile

41. Comprised of two islands, what Caribbean nation literally means "ancient and bearded"?
42. Gregory Peck won an Oscar playing what character from a Pulitzer Prize-winning novel?
43. Autumn Rhythm (Number 30) is a 1950 action painting by what Abstract Expressionist?
44. What defunct Canadian home improvement store was known as Castor Bricoleur in Quebec?
45. In you can remember when Elton John was young, you may know that what single was his first US number one?

Category 10 - Flags

46. What type of stone landmark is depicted on the flag of Nunavut?
47. Flag day is celebrated annually in Canada on the day after what February holiday?
48. The flag for what international organization features a view of the Earth using an azimuthal equidistant projection?
49. What gold medal winning decathlete was Canada's closing ceremonies flag bearer at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games?
50. On the current US flag, are there more red stripes or more what stripes?

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Category 11 - Before & After

Slam together two overlapping phrases that fit there cryptic questions

*EX: What boy who never grew up lives in the protruding section of North Texas?
A: Peter Panhandle*

51. Ambiguous inkblots are a key element of what long-format bat sport?
52. What company is the result of a merger between a big blue tech company and a candy brand that does not melt in your hands?
53. What Missouri-based NHL team has a cartoon mascot who solves mysteries with the help of her handy dandy notebook.
54. What 1979 Monty Python comedy is a biopic about Canada's 18th Prime Minister?
55. Fronted by the 998th Lord commander of the Night's Watch, what band had hits in the 2000s with Run, Chasing Cars, and Signal Fire?

Category 12 - Before, During, or After

I'll give you a year and three events. You tell me if those things events all occurred before, during, or after the year in question

56. 1600: Davinci dies; Shakespeare born; Roanoke Colony found deserted
57. 1700: The Act of Settlement passed by English Parliament; Peter the Great becomes Emperor of Russia; Gulliver's Travels published
58. 1800: Napoleon crosses the Alps; First smallpox vaccine used; Thomas Jefferson elected US President
59. 1900: Charles Tupper ends tenure as Prime Minister; Athens hosts the modern Olympics for the first time; Boxer Rebellion begins
60. 2000: Grand Theft Auto III released; Athens hosts the modern Olympics for the second time; Martin Scorsese wins his first Oscar

Bonus: 2021: Canada wins 24 Olympic medals; Joe Biden sworn in as US President; Folklore wing album of the year Grammy

Answers Round 1

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	Difficulty
1. Diamond	14.3%
2. Exodus	0.0%
3. France	14.3%
4. Gin	0.0%
5. Hanson	14.3%
6. c) song lyrics	14.3%
7. Stephen Hawking	14.3%
8. Jimmy Neutron	14.3%
9. Ray Charles	85.7%
10. Macarthur	100.0%
11. Disc	57.1%
12. Minnesota	57.1%
13. AOL or America Online (not "America" on its own)	85.7%
14. Be	14.3%
15. Syndrome	57.1%
16. Jagged Little Pill	42.9%
17. We Will Rock You	42.9%
18. American Idiot	14.3%
19. Mama Mia!	14.3%
20. Girl from the North Country	85.7%
Bonus: Titles of jukebox musicals featuring the works of the artist in the question	71.4%

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	Difficulty
21. The 13th Amendment	28.6%
22. 12 Monkeys	42.9%
23. Station Eleven	85.7%
24. Tennessee Titans	42.9%
25. Nine Inch Nails	28.6%
26. Mars & Jupiter	71.4%
27. Jeff Bezos	0.0%
28. Alt	0.0%
29. Yuri Gagarin	57.1%
30. Exosphere	71.4%
31. Chance and Community Chest	0.0%
32. Mastercard	14.3%
33. False start	0.0%
34. Magic: The Gathering	28.6%
35. Enders Game	57.1%
36. Fig	14.3%
37. Pym	28.6%
38. iOS	0.0%
39. LIV	0.0%
40. Ren	0.0%
Bonus: Oversimplifying	85.7%

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	Difficulty
41. Antigua and Barbuda	57.1%
42. Atticus Finch	42.9%
43. Jackson Pollock	71.4%
44. Beaver Lumber	57.1%
45. Crocodile Rock	28.6%
46. Inukshuk or Cairn	0.0%
47. Valentines Day	28.6%
48. United Nations	42.9%
49. Damien Warner	28.6%
50. Red stripes	28.6%
51. Rorschach test cricket	57.1%
52. IBM&Ms	42.9%
53. St. Louis Blues Clues	42.9%
54. Life of Brian Mulroney	28.6%
55. John Snow Patrol	14.3%
56. Before (1519, 1564, 1590)	42.9%
57. After (1701, 1721, 1726)	14.3%
58. During	71.4%
59. Before (1896, 1896, 1899)	28.6%
60. After (2001, 2004, 2007)	42.9%
Bonus: During	28.6%