

WMBD Birdbrain Quiz 2016

No prizes – just twenty-five questions with an avian theme

#### **Birds in Literature**

- 1. What is the name of Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize winning novel of 1960?
- 2. Which bird described in song as having "feathers all stubby and brown" featured in a Hans Christian Anderson story?
- 3. Which bird (and nationality) features in the title of Dashiell Hammett's Sam Spade adventure of 1929?
- 4. What sort of Brief made up the title of John Grisham's 1992 novel?
- 5. What is the title of the 5<sup>th</sup> Harry Potter book?

## Geography

- 1. What letter must you add to the fourth largest of the Great Lakes of North America to make an eagle's nest?
- 2. What is the state capital of Arizona?
- 3. What letter must you remove from an English port known for its white cliffs to make the symbol of peace?
- 4. What letter must you remove from a dam in Egypt to form a waterbird?
- 5. The islands' name derives from dogs, but which birds got their name from the islands?

#### Music

- 1. Which group had its greatest hit with (Welcome to the) Hotel California?
- 2. With which song did Conchita Wurst win the Eurovision Song Contest?
- 3. Which birds did Tom Lehrer want to poison in the park?
- 4. Which bird features in the title of an 1876 Tchaikovsky ballet?
- 5. Who sang the theme song to the James Bond film Tomorrow Never Dies?

#### Sport

- 1. What name is given to a score of three under par at a hole in golf?
- 2. What is the name of Seattle's American Football team?
- 3. What is the nickname of Newcastle United FC?
- 4. What is the colloquial term for a score of 0 in cricket?
- 5. What nickname was given to Beijing's Olympic Stadium?

# **Famous People**

- 1. Which architect designed St Paul's Cathedral?
- 2. Who wrote Gulliver's Travels?
- 3. What was President Lyndon Johnson's wife's name?
- 4. Which legendary figure is said to have lived in Sherwood Forest with "his merry band of men"?
- **5.** Which nurse found fame tending British soldiers during the Crimean War?

#### **Answers**

## **Birds in Literature**

- 1. To kill a Mockingbird
- 2. The Ugly Duckling
- 3. The Maltese Falcon
- 4. Pelican
- 5. Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix

# Geography

- 1. Y Lake Erie and an eyrie
- 2. Phoenix
- 3. R Dover and dove
- 4. A Aswan and swan
- 5. Canaries

## Music

- 1. The Eagles
- 2. Rise like a Phoenix
- 3. Pigeons
- 4. Swan (Lake)
- 5. (Sheryl) Crow

# Sport

- 1. an albatross
- 2. Seahawks
- 3. the Magpies
- 4. duck
- 5. the Bird's Nest

# **Famous People**

- 1. Sir Christopher Wren
- 2. Jonathan Swift
- 3. Lady Bird
- 4. Robin Hood
- 5. Florence Nightingale