

Charlie Higson's  
monthly

# PUB QUIZ



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Send us your favourite pub quiz questions, and Charlie will include one each month. [do.something@theguardian.com](mailto:do.something@theguardian.com)

I'm afraid for my pub quizzes I set questions that I like. So there's a heavy arts and popular culture bent, and very little sport or geography. Get used to it. A good pub quiz question should be interesting and intriguing, and solved by a group of friends. "What are the colours of the Hungarian flag?"\* is not

interesting on any level. For me, a question works if when you hear it you think (1) You should know the answer, (2) You'd like to know it, (3) You don't know it but you might be able to work it out. And it's the law that every pub quiz should have a question on James Bond or The Simpsons. (\*Red, white and green, BTW.)

1 In the song Lust For Life, what does Iggy Pop claim is "Like hypnotising chickens"?

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2 In France, it is known as COGIREP. In Germany, it is known as CAPITOL-VERSICHERUNG AG. In the US, it's DUNDER MIFFLIN. In Chile, it's PAPELES LOZANO. What is it known as in the UK?

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3 Barry Nelson was the first actor to play James Bond (on TV in Casino Royale in 1954). Who was the second actor (on the radio in 1956)?

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4 Which Tory politician appeared alongside Christopher Lee in the black comedy A Feast at

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Midnight in 1994, playing a private school chaplain, and has his own IMDb page?

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5 Who is the current children's laureate?

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6 What is innovative about the painting Winter Timber?

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7 What would I be doing if I visited Lemonade Lake, the Chocolate Mountains, Salty Canyon, Caramel Cove and Jelly Jungle?

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8 What was the name of the commanding officer who led the

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Dambusters raid against Germany in the second world war?

9 What do the letters E=mc<sup>2</sup> stand for?

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10 What specifically connects:

- The head of department of diagnostic medicine at Princeton-Plainsboro teaching hospital in New Jersey, with a double speciality of infectious diseases and nephrology.
- Major Dick Winters, who commanded Company E, 2nd Battalion, 506th Parachute infantry regiment, 101st airborne division during the second world war.
- Detective James McNulty of the Baltimore police department.

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