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BQG FAMILY PACK QUIZ # 2

Q1



A freelancer, freelance worker, or freelance is a self-employed person who pursues a profession without a long-term commitment to any particular employer. Why is it called *freelance*? There is a clue in the above image.

Q2

These are Russian aircraft in the below picture. The plane carrying the space shuttle is the largest aircraft ever built. The USA built five different space shuttles having names such as Columbia etc. What is the name of the Russian space shuttle and the huge aircraft carrying it?



Q3



Today, 4th May, in Amsterdam, people will collect at this monument. Why?

Q4



Today is a very sad day in the history of football. Check out the Internet and find out why.

Q5



The Bharat Ratna is India's highest civilian award, awarded for the highest degrees of national service. This service includes artistic, literary, and scientific achievements, as well as "recognition of public service of the highest order." Normally given to Indians, only once has the Bharat Ratna been awarded to a foreigner. Which foreigner?

Q6



This famous 'tiger' died on this day (4th May) in 1799. In Jules Verne's 'Mysterious Island', Captain Nemo is described as a nephew of this person. The Only King Who Died on the Battlefield: An Historical Novel Based on Truth (published in 2006), was written by a US-Pakistani resident and a young

college student Mohammed Faisal Iftikhar. The novel claims that in recent history, this person is the only king who died on the battlefield. Which person are we talking about?

Q7



This photo was selected by Space.com as one of the top ten space science photos. Can you guess why?

Q8



Staying with space, this is a pic of the first man on the moon. Who was the first man to step on the moon and what were his first words spoken when on the moon?

Q9

Study the below picture and figure out (a) who is the person seated on the ground and (b) why this picture features in this quiz.



Q10

It is the name of an unmanned space mission. It is also the name of an overnight express train in Japan, a motorcycle, a video game character and an experimental hybrid locomotive in the UK. Clue: It starts with 'H' and ends with an 'A' and is a Japanese word. Guess the name.

=====END OF QUIZ=====

We hope you enjoyed the above quiz. We would welcome your comments and suggestions; please email them to us at Prakash.subbarao@gmail.com

Answers are on the next page.

Answers:

A1: The word “freelance” came out of the period between 14th and 16th century when **mercenary** knights with no particular **allegiance** would take their lances to battle for the prince or state that paid them the most. The painting shows **Norman** cavalry attacking at the battle of Hastings. The lances are held with one-handed over-the-head grip.

A2: The aircraft carrying the space shuttle is the AN-225. The Russian space shuttle’s name is ‘**Buran**’.

A3: May 4th is the day when the citizens of Amsterdam **commemorate** all the civilians and members of the armed forces of the Kingdom of the Netherlands who have died in wars or peacekeeping missions since the outbreak of World War II.

A4: On Wednesday, 4 May 1949, a plane carrying almost the entire Torino A.C. football squad, popularly known as Il Grande Torino, crashed into the hill of Superga near Turin killing all 31 aboard including 18 players, club officials, journalists accompanying the team, and the plane's crew. The team was returning from a farewell match for Xico Ferreira against Benfica in Lisbon.

A5: Nelson Mandela.

A6: Tipu Sultan. He was the **de facto** ruler of the Indian Kingdom of Mysore from 1782 (the time of his father's death) until his own demise in 1799.

A7: The Pale Blue Dot is a photograph of planet Earth taken in 1990 by Voyager 1 from a record distance, showing it against the vastness of space. Both the idea for taking the distant photo and the title came from scientist and astronomer Carl Sagan, who also wrote the 1994 book of the same name. In 2001, it was selected by Space.com as one of the top ten space science photos. In his book, ‘Pale Blue Dot’, Sagan wrote:

“Look again at that dot. That's here. That's home. That's us. On it everyone you love, everyone you know, everyone you ever heard of, every human being who ever was, lived out their lives. The aggregate of our joy and suffering, thousands of confident religions, ideologies, and economic doctrines, every hunter and forager, every hero and coward, every creator and destroyer of civilization, every king and peasant, every young couple in love, every mother and father, hopeful child, inventor and explorer, every teacher of morals, every corrupt politician, every "superstar," every "supreme leader," every saint and sinner in the history of our species lived there – on a mote of dust suspended in a sunbeam.

The Earth is a very small stage in a vast cosmic arena. Think of the rivers of blood spilled by all those generals and emperors so that, in glory and triumph, they could become the momentary masters of a fraction of a dot. Think of the endless cruelties visited by the inhabitants of one corner of this pixel on the scarcely distinguishable inhabitants of some other corner, how frequent their

misunderstandings, how eager they are to kill one another, how fervent their hatreds.

Our posturings, our imagined self-importance, the delusion that we have some privileged position in the Universe, are challenged by this point of pale light. Our planet is a lonely speck in the great enveloping cosmic dark. In our obscurity, in all this vastness, there is no hint that help will come from elsewhere to save us from ourselves.

The Earth is the only world known so far to harbor life. There is nowhere else, at least in the near future, to which our species could migrate. Visit, yes. Settle, not yet. Like it or not, for the moment the Earth is where we make our stand.

It has been said that astronomy is a humbling and character-building experience. There is perhaps no better demonstration of the folly of human conceits than this distant image of our tiny world. To me, it underscores our responsibility to deal more kindly with one another, and to preserve and cherish the pale blue dot, the only home we've ever known."

A8: At 02:56 UTC on July 21 (10:56pm EDT, July 20), 1969, Neil Armstrong made his descent to the Moon's surface and spoke his famous line "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

A9: The person seated on the ground is Tyagaraja, who composed hundreds of devotional songs, most of them in praise of the Hindu god Rama. His compositions are very popular even today. Five of his compositions called the 'five gems' (Pancharatna Krithis), are often sung in programs in honour of Tyagaraja. He is featured in this quiz because today is his birthday. He was born on May 4, 1767.

A10:

Hayabusa.



Check these out:

1. Check out the meaning of the words 'mercenary', 'allegiance'
2. What does the word 'Norman' mean?
3. What exactly is cavalry?
4. In Question # 2, what does 'Buran' mean in Russian?
5. Which is the US aircraft that is equivalent to the AN-225?
6. What is the meaning of the word 'commemorate'?
7. Torino has another famous football team as well as three famous car manufacturers. Check these out.
8. Check out the reason why Gandhiji was not awarded the Bharat Ratna.
9. Only two persons from Karnataka have ever received the Bharat Ratna. One is Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Check out who the other person is.
10. There is a definite connection between Tipu Sultan and the American National Anthem (The Star Spangled Banner). What is it?
11. What is the meaning of the phrase *de facto*?

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