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# *FirstNews* QUIZ OF 2019-20

A look at the non-coronavirus news of this school year.



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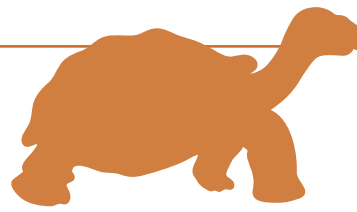
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# ANIMAL NEWS



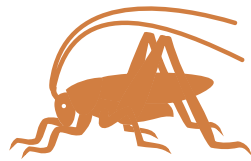
**1) What was unusual about a ray that was spotted in February?**

- a) It was pink
- b) It had grown around a plastic bottle
- c) It loved humans



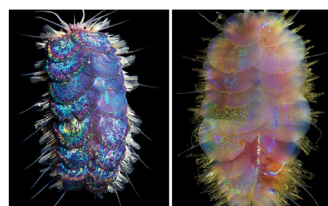
**2) In February, the crops of several African countries were damaged by the worst outbreak of what animal?**

- a) Aardvarks
- b) Cobras
- c) Locusts



**3) Sale worms found at the bottom of the Gulf of California were named after who?**

- a) Elvis Presley
- b) Beyoncé
- c) Dolly Parton



**4) In June, Diego was finally allowed to retire after saving his species. What is he?**

- a) A pink dolphin
- b) A tortoise
- c) A pangolin

**5) In May, the remains of 60 of what animal were found under the site of a new airport in Mexico?**

- a) Dodos
- b) Saber-toothed tigers
- c) Mammoths



**6) What animal is no longer officially listed as an ingredient to be used for traditional Chinese medicine?**

- a) Tortoise
- b) Pangolin
- c) Panda



# SCIENCE NEWS

**1) Which climate activist sailed across the Atlantic Ocean in a racing yacht to attend climate conferences in New York in 2019?**

- a) David Attenborough
- b) Alexandria Villaseñor
- c) Greta Thunberg

**2) What made its first flight in June?**

- a) The world's largest electric plane
- b) NASA's fastest rocket
- c) A ship powered by hydrogen fuel



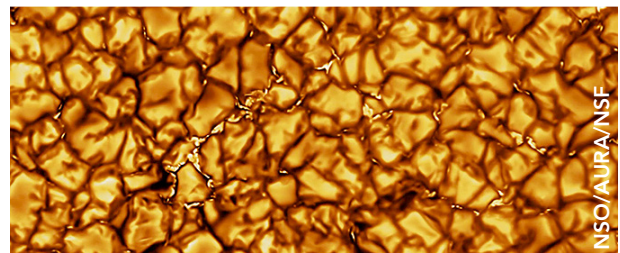
**3) In March it was discovered that Earth has two what?**

- a) Suns
- b) Moons
- c) Cores



**4) In February photos of the sun made the headlines. Why?**

- a) Because they showed that there are 27 previously unknown tiny planets 50 million kilometres from the sun.
- b) Because they showed that the sun's core is made of lava.
- c) Because they were the most detailed, close-up photos of the sun to date.



**5) In February, which American mathematician who worked at NASA and helped to put humans on the moon, died aged 101?**

- a) Katherine Johnson
- b) Albert Einstein
- c) Dorothy Vaughan



**6) What is special about the Neptune capsule being created by Space Perspective?**

- a) It will go closer to the sun than anything else ever has
- b) It is made from metal from old phones
- c) It will take tourists to the edge of space



# SPORT NEWS

1) Who won the FIFA 2019 Women's World Cup?

- a) South Africa
- b) USA
- c) England



2) Which British footballer campaigned for free meals for children over the summer?

- a) Harry Kane
- b) Marcus Rashford
- c) Wayne Rooney

3) Which men's football team won the League Cup for the third year in a row this year?

- a) Liverpool
- b) Newcastle United
- c) Manchester City



4) Which country won the most gold medals at the 2020 Winter Youth Olympics?

- a) Russia
- b) USA
- c) Japan



5) Who won this year's Premier League?

- a) Manchester United
- b) Fulham
- c) Liverpool



6) Who won heptathlon gold at the 2019 World Athletic Championships?

- a) Katarina Johnson-Thompson
- b) Dina Asher-Smith
- c) Jessica Ennis-Hill



# WORLD NEWS



1) The 75th anniversary of which day was celebrated on 8 May 2020?

- a) VE Day
- b) D Day
- c) VJ Day



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2) In March the US officially signed a peace agreement with the Taliban, signalling an end to the 18-year war that has terrorised which country?

- a) Iraq
- b) Afghanistan
- c) Saudi Arabia



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3) In March of this year the capital of which country suffered an earthquake?

- a) Madagascar
- b) Thailand
- c) Croatia



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4) Which country elected its first female president in 2020?

- a) Turkey
- b) The UK
- c) Greece

5) After the death of an American man, protests began all over the world. What was their message?

- a) Time to Change
- b) Black Lives Matter
- c) Give Peace a Chance



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6) Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, which island city saw significantly clearer waters in their canals?

- a) London
- b) Venice
- c) Paris



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# UK NEWS



**1) What significant event happened on 31 January 2020?**

- a) Britain left the EU
- b) Sajid Javid resigned as Chancellor
- c) Donald Trump met with Boris Johnson in Argentina

**2) A storm gripped the UK in early February, causing flooding and power cuts. What was it called?**

- a) Storm Kelly
- b) Storm Cara
- c) Storm Ciara



**3) Which organisation did people in the UK thank this year by clapping on their balconies and doorsteps?**

- a) The NHS
- b) The RSPCA
- c) The RAF

**Thank you**



**4) In April, who was announced as the new leader of the Labour Party?**

- a) Edward Miliband
- b) Keir Starmer
- c) Jeremy Corbyn

**5) In June, what happened to a statue of slave trader, Edward Colston?**

- a) It was covered in gold leaf
- b) It was thrown into Bristol harbour
- c) It was moved to America



**6) In 2020, which UK country carried out its first same-sex wedding?**

- a) England
- b) Wales
- c) Northern Ireland



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



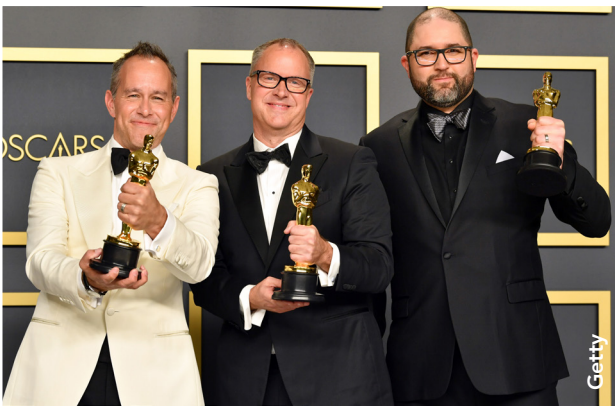
**1) Which singer-songwriter wrote and sang the theme song for the new James Bond film, *No Time To Die*?**

- a) Lana Del Rey
- b) Harry Styles
- c) Billie Eilish



**2) Which film won an Oscar for Best Animated Feature at this year's Academy Awards?**

- a) *Toy Story 4*
- b) *Frozen 2*
- c) *Sonic the Hedgehog*



**3) Which celebrity has talked about overcoming an eating disorder in a new Netflix documentary?**

- a) Harry Styles
- b) Ariana Grande
- c) Taylor Swift



**4) In November, the afternoon showing of which programme did the BBC announce it wanted to scrap?**

- a) *Newsround*
- b) *Horrible Histories*
- c) *The Next Step*



**5) In June, what new console did Sony reveal to fans?**

- a) The PS5
- b) The Xbox Series X Console
- c) The Nintendo Wii Console



**6) Which much anticipated sequel was released on Disney+ on 3 July?**

- a) *Moana 2*
- b) *Tangled 2*
- c) *Frozen 2*



# CRAZY BUT TRUE



**1) After trying to clear up after himself, a hiker in Austria started a fire by setting fire to what?**

- a) His poo
- b) His plastic packaging
- c) The remains of a rabbit he killed for food



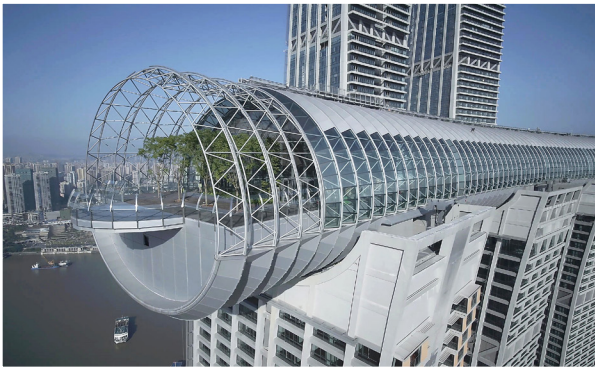
**2) A man in California raised money for an animal sanctuary by doing what?**

- a) Donating hamsters to his neighbours
- b) Marrying his cat
- c) Pretending to be a dog for a whole month



**3) Which country has opened a "horizontal skyscraper" with a glass-bottom observation deck 250m up in the air?**

- a) Thailand
- b) Japan
- c) China



**4) What did Banham Zoo in Norfolk ask for donations of, after they discovered their big cats love the scent?**

- a) Perfume
- b) Flowers
- c) Car tyres



**5) During lockdown, a gallery owner challenged people to make art out of what?**

- a) Plastic bottles
- b) Toilet rolls
- c) Books



**6) What happened when this vehicle was spotted driving on a motorway?**

- a) It started to fly
- b) It spat out fire
- c) It was stopped by police





# ANSWERS

## ANIMAL NEWS

1) A 2) C 3) A 4) B 5) C 6) B

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