

Victorian Britain Quiz No.1.

Round One.

- Q1. Who did Queen Victoria succeed to the throne in 1837?
- Q2. Published in 1837, what was Charles Dickens' follow up to the hugely successful Pickwick Papers?
- Q3. Which steam ship, designed by Isambard Kingdom Brunel, made a record-breaking 15 day crossing to America in 1838?
- Q4. Signed in 1839 by Britain, France, Prussia, Austria and Russia, the Treaty of London guaranteed the independence and neutrality of which country?
- Q5. The Infant Custody Act of 1839 allowed who access to their children?
- Q6. Which League was established in Manchester in 1839 by Richard Cobden and John Bright?
- Q7. Which Asian country did British forces invade in April 1839?
- Q8. On the orders of British merchants, 20,000 chests containing what were destroyed in Canton, China in 1839?
- Q9. In which year did Queen Victoria marry Prince Albert?
- Q10. Which ship owner founded the first steamship line from England to America in 1840?

Round Two.

- Q11. Who created the modern day postal system in 1840, including the Penny Black, the world's first postage stamp?
- Q12. Which country became a British colony in 1840?
- Q13. Who created the new Houses of Parliament in 1840?
- Q14. In 1841, which wood turner arranged a special excursion train to ferry people from Leicester to Loughborough, thus creating the beginnings of Britain's first travel business?
- Q15. Which Conservative became Prime Minister for the second time in 1841?
- Q16. Which magazine was launched in London for the first time in 1841?
- Q17. The so-called Opium War between Britain and China ended in 1842. Which territory did Britain gain as part of the peace treaty?
- Q18. Thousands of British soldiers were slaughtered retreating from which city in 1842?

Q19. Which scientist established a general theory of electrolyses in 1843?

Q20. Queen Victoria became the first reigning monarch to make a railway journey in 1842 when she travelled on the newly opened Great Western Railway from Slough to where?

Round Three.

Q21. Britain's first what was created by unemployed workers in Rochdale, Lancashire, in 1844?

Q22. Which Sikh settlement did Britain sell to a neighbouring region for £1m in 1846 in retaliation of Sikh uprisings against British troops the previous year?

Q23. In London, in 1847, which three individuals formed the Communist League?

Q24. The heroine Becky Sharp appears in which novel, published for the first time in 1847?

Q25. In 1847, Joseph Paxton designed the world's first municipal park. Where was it?

Q26. Which art movement was founded by several English painters in 1848?

Q27. Founded in London in 1849, what was the first university for women?

Q28. Where in London was the Great Exhibition held in 1851?

Q29. Which legendary military hero died in 1852 aged 83?

Q30. Which poet wrote 'An ode to the death of the Duke of Wellington' later that same year?

Round Four.

Q31. The model Elizabeth Siddall was the muse for which famous painting by John Millais?

Q32. What was the name of the hospital in Crimea made famous by Florence Nightingale?

Q33. By what name did David Livingstone change Mosioatunya to in 1855?

Q34. Which disease did Prince Albert die of in 1861?

Q35. Opened in 1863, the world's first underground railway ran between which two London areas?

Q36. When Lewis Carroll published Alice in Wonderland in 1865 he was employed as a University lecturer of what at Christ Church, Oxford?

Q37. Which mountain was first climbed by Edward Whymper in 1865?

Q38. Which book did Karl Marx publish in Britain in 1867?

Q39. Who succeeded Lord Derby as Conservative Prime Minister in 1868?

Q40. And which Liberal became Prime Minister later that same year?

Round Five.

Q41. Published in 1868, who wrote *The Variation of Animals and Plants Under Domestication*?

Q42. Who did Roderick MacLean try to assassinate on 2nd March 1882?

Q43. Which left-wing intellectual group was founded in London in 1884?

Q44. Which 1,700 foot long bridge became the world's longest when it was completed in 1890?

Q45. Which mountain did Queen Victoria bequeath her grandson Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany in 1890?

Q46. Voted in as an independent, who became Britain's first socialist MP in 1892?

Q47. Which jubilee did Queen Victoria celebrate in 1897?

Q48. In 1900, which future politician published his first novel 'Savrola'?

Q49. What was Kier Hardie referring to in 1900 when he said "It has come. Poor little child of danger, nursling of the storm. May it be blessed."?

Q50. Where did Queen Victoria die on 22nd January 1901?

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- Q1. William IV.
- Q2. Oliver Twist.
- Q3. The Great Western.
- Q4. Belgium.
- Q5. Divorced or separated mothers.
- Q6. Anti-Corn Law League.
- Q7. Afghanistan.
- Q8. Opium.
- Q9. 1840.
- Q10. Samuel Cunard.

Round Two.

- Q11. Raymond Hill.
- Q12. New Zealand.
- Q13. Charles Barry.
- Q14. Thomas Cook.
- Q15. Robert Peel.
- Q16. Punch.
- Q17. Hong Kong.
- Q18. Kabul.
- Q19. Michael Faraday.
- Q20. Paddington.

Round Three.

- Q21. Co-operative.
- Q22. Kashmir.
- Q23. Karl Marx, Friedrich Engels and Stefan Born.
- Q24. Vanity Fair.
- Q25. Birkenhead, Liverpool.
- Q26. Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood.
- Q27. University College London.
- Q28. Hyde Park.
- Q29. Arthur Wellesley, the Duke of Wellington.
- Q30. Alfred Lord Tennyson.

Round Four.

- Q31. Ophelia.
- Q32. Scutari.
- Q33. Victoria Falls.
- Q34. Typhoid.
- Q35. Paddington and Farringdon Street.
- Q36. Mathematics.
- Q37. The Matterhorn.
- Q38. Das Kapital.
- Q39. Benjamin Disraeli.
- Q40. William Gladstone.

Round Five.

- Q41. Charles Darwin.
- Q42. Queen Victoria.
- Q43. The Fabian Society.
- Q44. Forth Bridge.
- Q45. Kilimanjaro.
- Q46. Kier Hardie.
- Q47. Diamond.
- Q48. Winston Churchill.
- Q49. The Labour Party.
- Q50. Osborne House, Isle of Wight.