

Kids vs Adults Weekly News S'Quiz

Hello fabulous Squiz Kids Quizzers -

And welcome to the Kids v Adults Weekly News S'Quiz ... this is your chance to prove who's been paying the most attention to the week that just was.

I'm Christie Kijurina -

So, how does it work? First, we'll have five questions for kids about what's been happening in the world for the past seven days, then five questions for adults ... whoever answers the most correct questions can take the winner's podium.

Easy as.

Plus - of course - because it's a Friday - we've got all today's birthday shoutouts and all the shoutouts for the weekend coming ... including the birthday reggae tune – because it wouldn't be a Friday without it.

OK.... You ready, y'all? Let's do this ...

Alright kids - here are your five questions ...

1. We heard in the podcast this week that a brand-new Gruffalo story is coming later this year — and this time we won't just be meeting the knobbly-kneed monster himself. We'll be introduced to one of his relatives coming to stay. Which family member is it?

- a) The Gruffalo's Granny
 - b) The Gruffalo's Baby Cousin
 - c) The Gruffalo's Surf-Loving Uncle
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2. High in the Himalayas, a group of local women have been climbing snowy mountains to check cameras and track snow leopards. True or false-.Every snow leopard has a unique pattern of spots, similar to how humans have unique fingerprints. Is this true or false?

 3. After a tight defensive battle between the New England Patriots and the Seattle Seahawks, one team outscored the other and lifted the Lombardi Trophy. Which team was crowned the 2026 Super Bowl champion?

 4. Archaeologists in the Netherlands found a flat limestone rock carved with strange lines buried beneath an ancient Roman town. After using artificial intelligence to test thousands of ideas, what did scientists discover it likely was?
 - a) A secret Roman pizza recipe
 - b) A treasure map
 - c) An Ancient Roman board game

 5. She may have missed out on back-to-back gold medals, but Australia's Jakara Anthony is still one of the world's best in a sport where athletes ski down a steep course covered in giant snow bumps, launching into the air to perform flips and twists before landing and continuing at lightning speed.

What is the name of this event?

Answers:

1. a) The Gruffalo's Granny

2. True
3. Seattle Seahawks
4. c) A Roman board game
5. Moguls

“Alrighty... how’d you go, kids? Be honest — did you just cook the adults?”

Yeah... thought so.”

Just before we get into the adult questions... this weekend’s Squiz Kids Science Short asks a big one:

Can humans be part robot? 🤖

Inspired by a question from Amelia — who wants to be a doctor — we explore how robotic arms actually work, why some people need prosthetics after injury or illness, and how scientists are helping artificial limbs move and even *feel* more naturally.

It’s not science fiction. It’s real science — and it might change the way you think about what makes us human.

You’ll find it in your podcast feed first thing on Saturday morning.

Alright adults — stretch, hydrate, and come on back.”

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Alright adults - now it’s your turn ... time to show those kids how it’s done...

1. A new theme park in Japan is set to delight fans of a long-running franchise built around collecting and training fictional creatures for battle. Which brand is the park celebrating?

2. Concerns about online safety for children have been back in the spotlight this week. Which global gaming platform has again been summoned to the Minister's office to answer questions about its content moderation and safety controls? I'll give you a hint. It's a place where players don't just play games — they build them.

3. Staying in Federal Parliament for a minute... It's been another turbulent week for the Coalition. Which member of the Liberal Party is challenging Sussan Ley for the leadership?

4. Queenslanders Margot Robbi and Jacob Elordi star as Catherine and Heathcliff in the movie adaptation of Wuthering Heights, released this week. Which Brontë sister wrote the original 1847 novel? Was it:
 - a) Charlotte
 - b) Anne
 - c) Emily

5. Thursday of this week was Darwin Day...Who or what does Darwin Day celebrate? Is it:
 - a) Naturalist and Geologist and Theory of Evolution guy - Charles Darwin
 - b) Darwin, the capital city of Australia's Northern Territory
 - c) Uruguayan footballer, Darwin Núñez

Answers:

1. Pokemon
2. Roblox
3. Angus Taylor
4. c) Emily
5. a) Naturalist and Geologist Charles Darwin

“Alright adults — how’d you go? Count up your score.

Who’s claiming the bragging rights this week?”

If you’ve missed any of those cool news stories throughout the week and you want to refresh your memory - all of this week’s Squiz Kids episodes are available for a re-listen wherever you get your podcasts ... and for the big people, check out the Squiz Today podcast for our news content for grownups.

Alrighty, we’re not done yet — because coming up next it’s time for...

SHOUTOUTS!

It’s Friday, February 13 - It’s Friday, February 13... [WITCH CACKLE] Today is **Friday the 13th**, a date some people think is unlucky.

The number 13 has had a spooky reputation for centuries. In old stories and myths, a 13th guest at a dinner party often meant trouble. And Fridays weren’t always considered lucky either. Combine the two, and the superstition stuck.

Some buildings even skip the 13th floor. And yes, there’s a word for the fear of Friday the 13th... *paraskevidekatriaphobia*.

[pa-ruh-SKEV-ee-dek-uh-TRI-uh-FOH-bee-uh]

The good news? There’s zero scientific proof that anything bad is more likely to happen today.

It's also a special day for these Squiz Kids celebrating a birthday today, and over the coming weekend... and because it's a Friday let's crack out the 'ol birthday reggae tune... hit it!

It's a happy birthday to... Kayla from Ashmont, Grace from Bald Blair, Brayden from Cairns, twins- Flo and Freddie from Seaholme, Henry from Riddells Creek, Genevieve from North Sydney, Gemima from Red Hill, Arian from Vermont South, Ruby C from Cleveland, Harvey from Point Cook and Seb from Aldgate.

A belated shoutout goes to.. Harlow from Townsville.

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And don't forget to tune in this Sunday — when a new From The Vault episode arrives in your podcast feed.

With Valentine's Day landing tomorrow and Aussies expected to spend hundreds of millions on cards, chocolates and roses, we're rewinding to the surprising story behind February 14.

You guessed it... It didn't start with heart-shaped boxes and candlelit dinners. It began in Ancient Rome with a festival called Lupercalia — and, it actually involved goats.

In this Shortcut, we explore when Valentine's Day began, how people celebrate it around the world, and some of the wildest romantic gestures ever recorded.

That's your Squiz Kids Shortcut to Valentine's Day — landing in your podcast feed first thing Sunday morning.

For now though - this is Christie Kijurina signing off - and reminding you to get out there and have a most excellent day ... over and out.