

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 Bryce Corbett

You know how this works ... First, we'll have five questions for kids about what's been happening in the world around us 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. And let's get our star gazing on for the first question this week ... after we heard in the podcast this week how large parts of Europe were preparing for a solar eclipse ... what heavenly body passes in front of the Sun and block out its light during an eclipse?

2. We heard in the podcast yesterday how a hopping marsupial, who shares its name with the Aussie men's rugby team, has been on the run since escaping a zoo in The Netherlands. What sort of animal am I talking about?
3. On Tuesday night, every Australian household was asked to fill out a form – a survey that gives the government a snapshot of who we are and how we lead our lives .. starting with a soft C - what is the name of that survey?
4. The Squiz Kids Q+A was taken over this week by a best-selling Aussie kids' author - famous for his Treehouse series of books .. which author am I talking about?
5. We also heard in the podcast earlier this week how a hugely popular online game for kids - that sees them build box-shaped structures in a chicken jockey world - was coming to Switch 2 in October. What game am I talking about?

ANSWERS

1. Moon
2. Wallaby
3. Census
4. Andy Griffiths
5. Minecraft

“Alrighty... how'd you go, kids? Be honest — did you just blitz the adults?

Good for you! Kid power!.”

SKSS Why does cutting onion make us cry?

Just before we dive into the adult questions, here's what's coming up in this week's Squiz Kids Science Short.

You're chopping an onion when suddenly your eyes start stinging and tears begin rolling down your cheeks. But you're not sad, so what exactly is making you cry? That's what Felix from Hunter's Hill wanted to know, and so Christie has been investigating.

This week, we discover the tiny chemical security system hidden inside an onion, why blunt knives may make the tears worse, and whether tricks like chewing gum, holding your breath or wearing goggles actually work.

Tune in to Squiz Kids in your favourite podcasting app first thing on Saturday morning to find out!

- and if you have a Science question you'd like Christie to investigate - send it to squizkids@thesquiz.com.au

Alright adults — stretch, hydrate, and get ready to rumble ... you've got this!

1. Let's kick off with a sporting question .. and which country is the Aussie cricket team playing in a Top End test match this weekend?
2. Speaking of the Census ... how regularly is the Census held in Australia? Is it a) every 3 years b) every 5 years or c) every 7 years?
3. There was a lot of noise this week in Federal Parliament over a pair of melons, gifted to the Australian Prime Minister by the Prime Minister of which country?
4. There was also a lot of news coverage this week given to the decision by US President Donald Trump to sneak off his official plane after attending the NATO Summit in Türkiye last month ... what's the name of that famous plane?
5. And an entertainment question to finish - to really test how much you're in touch with the kids ... and which band was announced as the half time entertainment for the upcoming NFL match in Melbourne between the San Francisco 49ers and the Los Angeles Rams? And I'll give you a hint, their hit songs include 'Burnin' Up' and its members all share a surname.

— STING —

Answers:

1. Bangladesh
2. b) 5 years
3. Japan

4. Air Force One
5. The Jonas Brothers

“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 or sign up for the newsletter for our news content for grownups.

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

SHOUTOUTS!

It’s Friday, August 14 - one of our favourite events of the year takes place in California, in the US today, as the World’s Ugliest Dog Competition gets underway ... may the best mutt win!

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! ...

And it’s a very happy birthday to: Lola from Goornong, Sadie from Kurri Kurri, Eli from Kurri Kurri, William from Hackham. Aaron from Connells Point, Amelia from Maudsland, Ned from Rockhampton, Zachary from Canberra, Syd from Shoalhaven Heads, Tayleah from Casino, Georgia from St James, Phin from Kew, Angela from Toowoomba, Beatrice from Brighton, Elke from Rose Bay and Ellah listening all the way over there in Auckland in Aotearoa New Zealand

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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.

National Science Week kicks off this Saturday, celebrating curiosity, discovery and the scientists who keep asking questions about how our world works. And sometimes, the biggest discoveries begin with realising that something we thought was true... wasn't.

So, this Sunday, we're dusting off a Shortcut all about **Science That Was Wrong**. We'll discover why people once thought the Earth was the centre of the universe, why doctors believed illness could be caused by too much phlegm or black bile, and how scientists test ideas, change their minds and get closer to the truth when new evidence comes along.

Because in science, getting something wrong can be the first step towards getting it right. Find it in your favourite podcasting app this Sunday.

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