

Weekly Quiz

1. Which of the following statements about the new Matariki public holiday is true?
 - a. The public holiday will always be on a Friday
 - b. The public holiday will be held on the same date every year
 - c. The public holiday will always be in June
2. Over 100,000 people were evacuated from their homes in Bangladesh recently due to ...?
 - a. Monsoon flooding
 - b. A tsunami threat
 - c. A massive rubbish fire
3. What did a Russian journalist sell at a recent auction for \$162 million to raise funds for Ukrainian child refugees?
 - a. A rare Aston Martin car gifted to him by President Putin
 - b. A Nobel Peace Prize
 - c. A Home
4. What is Air New Zealand introducing in order to encourage people to work for their airline?
 - a. Free international travel
 - b. Free meals
 - c. Cash rewards of up to \$1400
5. Which award winning band announced they are taking a break to pursue individual projects?
 - a. Foo Fighters
 - b. BTS
 - c. Imagine Dragons
6. Why is Nepal preparing to move its Everest base camp?
 - a. It is located on a melting glacier
 - b. A cliff next to the camp is crumbling away
 - c. Pollution and waste from the camp has made the area unhygienic
7. The te reo Māori version of which Disney classic, will make its world premier in Auckland this week?
 - a. 101 Dalmations
 - b. Lion King
 - c. Madagascar
8. Which country has authorised the COVID-19 vaccine for infants and preschoolers?
 - a. United Kingdom
 - b. United States
 - c. Australia
9. Samsung has agreed to pay a \$14m penalty in Australia for misleading claims that ...?
 - a. Seven of its Galaxy phones were water-resistant
 - b. The batteries in their latest models lasted 50 percent longer than previous models
 - c. Their phones are shock-proof
10. Which virus has been detected in London sewage samples?
 - a. Poliovirus (polio)
 - b. Ebola virus
 - c. Variola virus (smallpox)
11. What are New Zealand cheesemakers concerned about?
 - a. A new bacteria that has been found in some cheeses
 - b. New environmental taxes that are being introduced for those in the dairy industry
 - c. The European Union wanting to restrict the use of cheese names
12. Prince Charles has become the first British royal to visit Rwanda. Where is Rwanda?
 - a. The Caribbean
 - b. Africa
 - c. Indonesia
13. What was found in Tōtara Reserve Regional Park in Manawatū recently?
 - a. A rare carnivorous native snail
 - b. A weta that was previously thought to be extinct
 - c. Wallabies
14. Instagram is testing video selfies with facial analysis software as a way of verifying the age of US Instagram users. How old do you have to be to use Instagram in the US?
 - a. 13+
 - b. 15+
 - c. 18+
15. After residents complained about disruptive behaviour and noise, Auckland's Eden Park has announced it will no longer host ...?
 - a. Concerts
 - b. Christmas in the Park
 - c. School balls

Weekly Quiz - Visual

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A film has just been released about the life of this woman. What was her first name?

What is the name of this group that has been in the news?

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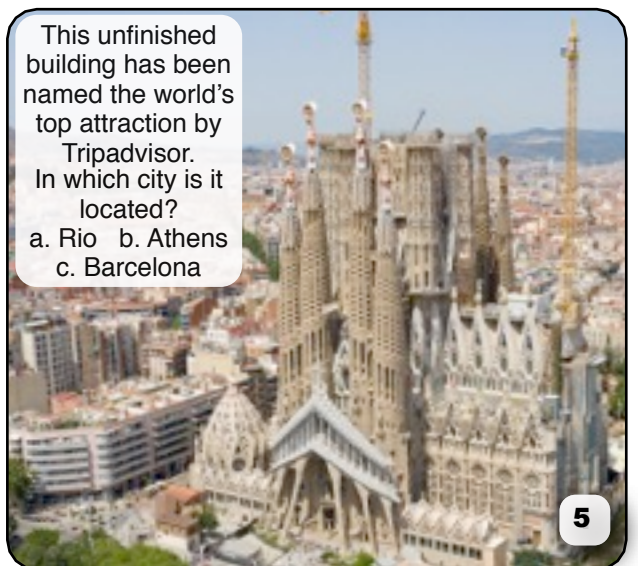
In which country have people been scrambling with this situation caused by a natural event?
a. Afghanistan b. Pakistan c. Morocco

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Which country has this flag?

This unfinished building has been named the world's top attraction by Tripadvisor. In which city is it located?
a. Rio b. Athens c. Barcelona



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Weekly Quiz - Answers

- Which of the following statements about the new Matariki public holiday is true?
 - The public holiday will always be on a Friday - Matariki is a star cluster known around the world by many names, most commonly Pleiades. The date of Matariki will change from year to year, but it will always fall in June or July. The celebration of Matariki is guided by three major principles: Remembrance – Celebrating the present – Looking to the future.
- Over 100,000 people were evacuated from their homes in Bangladesh recently due to ...?
 - Monsoon flooding - At least 25 people lost their lives, millions of homes flooded in low-lying parts of Bangladesh recently during the country's worst monsoon floods in recent history.
- What did a Russian journalist sell at a recent auction for \$162 million to raise funds for Ukrainian child refugees?
 - A Nobel Peace Prize - Journalist Dmitry Muratov was awarded the gold medal in October 2021 for founding an independent Russian newspaper. The paper was shut down in March when Putin clamped down on journalists following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.
- What is Air New Zealand introducing in order to encourage people to work for their airline?
 - Cash rewards of up to \$1400 - Air New Zealand has promised cash rewards for employees who recommend a family member or friend for airport work in areas like baggage-handling and check-in. Air New Zealand slashed 4000 jobs during the COVID-19 crisis, but has since hired 3000 staff and is trying to recruit a further 1100 over the next few months.
- Which award winning band announced they are taking a break to pursue individual projects?
 - BTS - A member of the South Korean boy band BTS, said the group had been going through a "rough patch". "We're trying to find our identity and that's an exhausting and long process," he explained.
- Why is Nepal preparing to move its Everest base camp?
 - It is located on a melting glacier - The camp, used by up to 1,500 people in the spring climbing season, is situated on the rapidly thinning Khumbu glacier. Researchers say melt-water is destabilising the glacier, and crevasses are increasingly appearing at base camp while tramps sleep.
- The te reo Māori version of which Disney classic, will make its world premier in Auckland this week?
 - Lion King - Lion King is the second Disney film to be reworked into te reo, after Moana was released in 2017. Fourteen Māori cast members took on the roles of some of Disney's most beloved animated characters.
- Which country has authorised the COVID-19 vaccine for infants and preschoolers?
 - United States - The Food and Drug Administration has approved the shots from Moderna and Pfizer. That means US kids under 5 (around 18 million), are eligible for the shots.
- Samsung has agreed to pay a \$14m penalty in Australia for misleading claims that ...?
 - Seven of its Galaxy phones were water-resistant - Samsung claimed seven of its Galaxy phones were water-resistant when the devices could stop working after being used in swimming pools or ocean water. The Australian competition and consumer commission (ACCC) launched the case against Samsung in 2019.
- Which virus has been detected in London sewage samples?
 - Poliovirus (polio) - A national incident has been declared after UK health officials detected the virus in London sewage samples for the first time in nearly 40 years. Polio can cause paralysis and even death but it has been eradicated in most western countries with childhood vaccinations. UK health officials have asked the public to check they are up to date with their vaccines.
- What are New Zealand cheesemakers concerned about?
 - The European Union wanting to restrict the use of cheese names - The European Union is trying to introduce restrictions on New Zealand cheesemakers using cheese names as part of a free-trade agreement that is being proposed between the European Union and New Zealand. Terms like feta, parmesan, and gruyère would no longer be able to be used under the union's protections of the origins of products.
- Prince Charles has become the first British royal to visit Rwanda. Where is Rwanda?
 - Africa - Rwanda joined the Commonwealth in 2009 after former ties with France weakened over their alleged lack of action during Rwanda's 1994 genocide. Genocide is the deliberate and organised destruction of a group of people because of their ethnicity, nationality, religion, or race.
- What was found in Tōtara Reserve Regional Park in Manawatu recently?
 - A rare carnivorous native snail - Experts are on the hunt to find cues of how the snail species got there. Powelliphanta marchanti are one of our most threatened invertebrates and are prone to predation by rats, hedgehogs, pigs and possums. They are a large snail with a maximum diameter of 54mm, and have a yellow-brown shell.
- Instagram is testing video selfies with facial analysis software as a way of verifying the age of US Instagram users. How old do you have to be to use Instagram in the US?
 - 13+ - Some users on Instagram try to skirt its 13+ age rule by editing their date of birth to make them appear over 18. But US teens attempting this will now be given three ways to verify age: upload ID, ask three adult users to vouch for them or take a video selfie.
- After residents complained about disruptive behaviour and noise, Auckland's Eden Park has announced it will no longer host ...?
 - School balls - A spokesperson for Eden Park said students weren't necessarily responsible for the disruption but people on the streets at the time of the events were causing distress.

VISUAL ANSWERS

1. Whina - The film 'Whina' chronicles the life of Māori leader and activist Dame Whina Cooper. The respected kuia is best known for leading the famous 1975 land march in a hīkoi that united communities across the country. Marching from the Far North all the way to Wellington, the hīkoi called for an end to the taking of Māori land.

2. Matariki - Matariki is a star cluster, rather than constellation. A cluster is a group of stars that are near each other in space. While constellations 'appear' to be close, but might actually be far from each other in reality. There are about 500 stars in the Matariki cluster, but only six or seven are visible without a telescope. The reappearance of the Matariki stars signals the beginning of the Māori New Year.

3. a. Afghanistan - A magnitude 6.1 earthquake in the mountainous country has claimed the lives of more than 1,000 people. Heavy rain, limited resources and rugged terrain are hampering rescue workers.

4. India

5. c. Barcelona - The Sagrada Família in the Spanish city of Barcelona has been under construction since 1882. It was hoped that it would finally be finished in 2026 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the death of Gaudí, but that has now been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic.