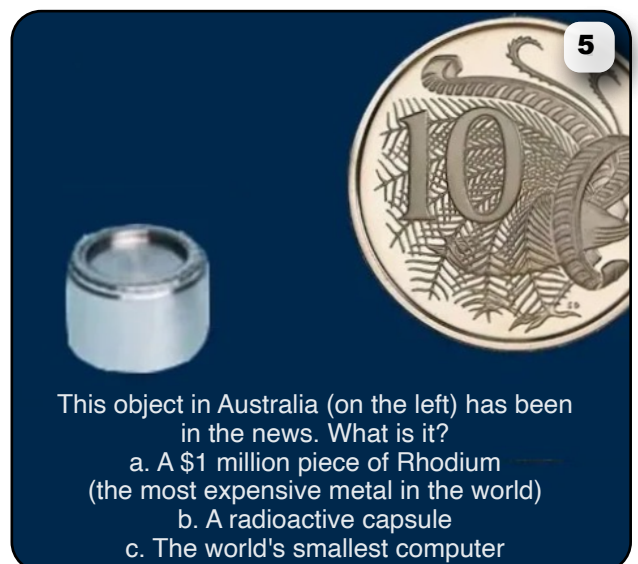


Weekly Quiz

1. Who was forced to cancel Auckland concerts due to Auckland's recent flooding?
 - a. Ed Sheeran
 - b. Foo Fighters
 - c. Elton John
2. The phenomena responsible for Auckland's recent devastating floods is known as?
 - a. An atmospheric river
 - b. A sky lake
 - c. A storm waterfall
3. Authorities carried out an investigation after what was found in Joe Biden's garage?
 - a. Two recently purchased European sports cars
 - b. Classified documents
 - c. An intruder
4. True or false, fuel tax cuts and half price public transport that were introduced to ease pressure on families during a cost of living crisis, have now been removed?
5. Chinese New Year was celebrated on Sunday 22 January. This year 2022, is represented by which animal?
 - a. Snake
 - b. Rat
 - c. Rabbit
6. Which New Zealander won gold in the slopestyle event at the recent X Games, held in Colorado?
 - a. Zoi Sadowski-Synott
 - b. Nico Porteous
 - c. Portia Woodman
7. Auckland's mayor has been criticised for his response to the Auckland floods. What is his name?
 - a. Nick Smith
 - b. Wayne Brown
 - c. Phil Goff
8. Why has the legendary Jamaican sprinter, Usain Bolt, been in the news?
 - a. The International Olympic Committee is taking some of his relay medals away because of teammates failing drug tests
 - b. He has announced plans to return to top-level athletics
 - c. He is missing US\$12 million due to suspected fraud by other people
9. Waitangi Day was first officially commemorated in 1934. When did it become a public holiday?
 - a. 1949
 - b. 1974
 - c. 2003
10. A Māori activist who played a key role in Waitangi Day commemorations, died recently. What was her name?
 - a. Titewhai Harawira
 - b. Dame Whina Cooper
 - c. Roimata Ngatai
11. What is the name of Prince Harry's controversial book?
 - a. Shame
 - b. Secrets
 - c. Spare
12. What is the name of the Cyclone that caused flooding and damage in different parts of New Zealand around January 11?
 - a. Cyclone Hale
 - b. Cyclone Homer
 - c. Cyclone Holly
13. Which Hollywood actor is set to be charged over the death of a worker on the film set of his movie 'Rust'?
 - a. Alec Baldwin
 - b. Tom Cruise
 - c. Tom Hanks
14. Why was the Interislander ferry Kaitaki, in the news last week?
 - a. It hit rocks and damaged its hull
 - b. It lost power during a sailing
 - c. It is receiving a 'facelift'
15. Which feature of earth do scientists think will be completely restored in 'just a few decades'?
 - a. The Chernobyl exclusion zone
 - b. The Ozone layer
 - c. The Great Barrier Reef

Weekly Quiz - Visual



Weekly Quiz - Answers

- Who was forced to cancel Auckland concerts due to Auckland's recent flooding?
c. Elton John - Elton John's first concert was cancelled shortly before the show was due to start with 11,000 people already at the arena. The second Auckland show in his final tour was also cancelled.
- The phenomena responsible for Auckland's recent devastating floods is known as?
a. An atmospheric river - Atmospheric rivers are narrow corridors of concentrated moisture in the atmosphere - like 'rivers in the sky'. Around 40 atmospheric rivers hit New Zealand every year of varying degrees. The most impactful ones usually hit around every five years but the frequency of these seem to be increasing with climate change.
- Authorities carried out an investigation after what was found in Joe Biden's garage?
b. Classified documents - Biden has said he was surprised to learn he had classified information in his possession. The materials in question date back to when Biden was Barack Obama's Vice President from 2009 to 2017, and when Trump was at the helm from 2017 to 2021.
- True or false, fuel tax cuts and half price public transport that were introduced to ease pressure on families during a cost of living crisis, have now been removed?
False - Fuel tax cuts and half price public transport are being extended until June, despite the finance minister saying this was unsustainable just a few months ago. The savings are estimated to be \$17.25 for a 60-litre petrol tank, \$11.50 for a 40-litre tank and bus users paying two \$5 fares a day, \$25 a week.
- Chinese New Year was celebrated on Sunday 22 January. This year 2022, is represented by which animal?
c. Rabbit - Chinese New Year or 'Spring Festival' is China's most important festival and holiday time. The date of Chinese New Year varies between January 21 to February 20.
- Which New Zealander won gold in the slopestyle event at the recent X Games, held in Colorado?
a. Zoi Sadowski-Synnott - New Zealand snowboarder Zoi Sadowski-Synnott defended her X Games slopestyle title with a come-from-behind victory in Aspen, Colorado. The gold medal is Sadowski-Synnott's fifth at X Games.
- Auckland's mayor has been criticised for his response to the Auckland floods. What is his name?
b. Wayne Brown - Wayne Brown has received public criticism for taking too long to declare an emergency in the city and poor communication during and after the event. Brown has said he and his council are working on improving communication. He also said he followed advice from emergency response advisers on when to declare an emergency.
- Why has the legendary Jamaican sprinter, Usain Bolt, been in the news?
c. He is missing US\$12 million due to suspected fraud by other people - The money is missing from his account with a private investment firm in Jamaica that authorities are investigating. Bolt, who retired in 2017, holds the world records for the 100 metres, 200 metres and 4x100 metres.
- Waitangi Day was first officially commemorated in 1934. When did it become a public holiday?
b. 1974 - February 6 marks the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840. Representatives of the British Crown and over 500 Māori chiefs signed what is considered to be New Zealand's founding document. Tension around the Treaty and its meaning have resulted in Waitangi Day commemorations often becoming the scene of protests.
- A Māori activist who played a key role in Waitangi Day commemorations, died recently. What was her name?
a. Titewhai Harawira - Titewhai, who dedicated her life to advancing Māori and championing the Treaty of Waitangi, died last month at the age of 90. She was a nationally recognised figure due in part to her role escorting New Zealand prime ministers onto the marae during Waitangi Day commemorations. She had twelve children, including New Zealand politician Hone Harawira.
- What is the name of Prince Harry's controversial book?
c. Spare - The memoir contains many explosive accounts of Harry's royal life. His seemingly tense relationship with his brother William is laid bare, with many anecdotes in the book.
- What is the name of the Cyclone that caused flooding and damage in different parts of New Zealand around January 11?
a. Cyclone Hale - Coromandel and Tairāwhiti East Coast, were particularly affected. Flooding in Tairāwhiti was made worse by 'slash' - logs and debris produced by the forestry industry.
- Which Hollywood actor is set to be charged over the death of a worker on the film set of his movie 'Rust'?
a. Alec Baldwin - The actor will be charged with involuntary manslaughter over the shooting of cinematographer Halyna Hutchins, who was killed on a film set when he fired a prop gun. Hannah Gutierrez Reed, the film's armourer, will also be charged.
- Why was the Interislander ferry Kaitaki, in the news last week?
b. It lost power during a sailing - The ferry lost its power around 5pm, with around 800 passengers and 80 crew on board. It eventually got power back and made a slow journey to Wellington, where it arrived after 9pm, followed by tug boats for precaution.
- Which feature of earth do scientists think will be completely restored in 'just a few decades'?
b. The Ozone layer - In 1985, scientists discovered a gaping hole in the ozone layer due to the world's use of CFCs (Chlorofluorocarbons). Two years later, 46 countries signed the Montreal Protocol promising to phase out the harmful chemicals. The deal was the first UN treaty to achieve universal ratification. The ozone layer is a separate issue from global warming, but shows countries can act together to solve global environmental problems.

VISUAL ANSWERS

- Chris Hipkins** - Chris Hipkins has taken over as New Zealand's new Prime Minister and leader of the Labour Party after Jacinda Ardern stepped down. He held various ministerial roles before becoming the country's leader.
- a. South America** - Peru has closed its famous tourist site Machu Picchu indefinitely over the ongoing protests against the country's new president. The government said it closed the site, and the Inca trail hike leading up to it, to protect tourists and citizens. Hundreds of people who were stuck for hours at the foot of the 15th Century Inca citadel have now been rescued.
- a. Australian Open** - The ball kids were called upon to dry the court on their hands and knees with towels, when heavy rain showers disrupted matches at the Grand Slam tennis event. They have also had to help at some matches that haven't finished until 4am in the morning. Some people have criticised the organisers for their treatment of the ball kids, especially as the Australian Open is one of the few events where they are volunteers and are not paid.
- Brazil**
- b. A radioactive capsule** - The tiny capsule filled with Caesium-137 was eventually found on the roadside of a remote highway, six days after it went missing from a moving truck in Western Australia. The capsule would have been very dangerous if handled and sparked a massive search for the 'needle in a haystack'.