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# *Back-to-School Quiz*

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## CANADA

1. Canada's sale of Light Armoured Vehicles to Saudi Arabia:

- a) Is the largest military exports contract in Canadian history
- b) Was described by Stephen Harper before the 2015 election this way: "Let's be clear what this contract is – it's not an arms contract... It's actually for military transport vehicles."
- c) Was condemned in 2016 for its secrecy by Conservative foreign affairs critic Tony Clement
- d) Was supported by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who said, "People have to know that when you sign a deal with Canada, a change in governments won't immediately scrap the jobs and benefits coming from it... Because we're not a banana republic."
- e) All of the above

Canadian-made LAV 6.0 for Saudi Arabia National Guard



*Answer: e*

2. Justin Trudeau frequently places his hand on his heart. It is his way of saying:

- a) You really like me? You really want me to be Prime Minister?
- b) Where's my wallet?
- c) Can I take my shirt off now?
- d) Mike Duffy gives me heartburn.
- e) Can I wear this outfit to the Gay Pride parade?



3. What do these six people have in common?



- a) They all entered the chuckwagon race at this year's Calgary Stampede
- b) They each left classified cabinet documents at the home of a girlfriend
- c) They all have a profound dislike for barbaric practices
- d) They have all built lovely gazebos for the people of their ridings
- e) They each want Stephen Harper's old job

*Answer: e*

4. "First past the post" is:

- a) A voting system that allows 39% of the population to elect a majority government
- b) Something Man o' War, Secretariat and Seabiscuit did frequently
- c) Something Justin Trudeau said he will never do again
- d) Something the Conservative Party wants to do as often as possible
- e) Something the NDP wishes it had done long ago



*Answer: all of the above*

## DEMOCRACY AT WORK

5. The US may elect its first-ever female president in November, showing the world how America leads where women in politics are concerned. The number of countries that have previously elected or appointed female heads of state or government (not counting hereditary monarchs):

- a) 8
- b) 12
- c) 17
- d) 23
- e) 69



Answer: e

6. Number of people arrested or detained in the month following the failed July coup attempt in Turkey:

- a) 4,000
- b) 5,000
- c) 7,000
- d) 15,000
- e) 22,000



Answer: e

7. Number of people arrested or detained in the month following Germany's Reichstag fire in February 1933:

- a) 4,000
- b) 5,000
- c) 7,000
- d) 15,000
- e) 22,000



Answer: a

*Twins, separated at birth?*



8. The man on the left is
- a) The Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom
  - b) The funniest Brexit joke Britain could come up with
  - c) A man who could probably have wangled independence for India a decade earlier
  - d) A former journalist at *The Times* who was sacked for making up a quote
  - e) All of the above

*Answer: e*

## US ELECTION

*Twins, separated at birth?*

9. These are pictures of:
- a) The old Bern and the new Bern
  - b) US politics doing a slow burn
  - c) The Bobbsey Twins in their twilight years
  - d) Puppets of small business
  - e) Future members of the Clinton cabinet



10. Who first said, "My word is my bond"?
- a) Ian Fleming
  - b) James Bond
  - c) Miss Money Penny
  - d) Melania Trump
  - e) Michelle Obama



*Answer: Definitely not d*

11. "It's rigged!" Donald Trump said this about:
- a) Republican Party nomination procedures
  - b) Democratic Party nomination procedures
  - c) The November Federal election
  - d) The US legal system, notably the case against Trump University
  - e) All of the above

Answer: e

12. Dr. Ben Carson:
- a) Has endorsed Donald Trump
  - b) Plans to write a book called *The Organ of Species* that will study the body's organs and 'completely refute evolution'
  - c) Thinks Joseph built the pyramids to store grain
  - d) Believes that Obamacare is "the worst thing that has happened in this country since slavery," declaring it to be "slavery in a way"
  - e) All of the above



Answer: e

## SPORTS

13. This is a photo of:
- a) The Russian Olympic Hockey Team before the doping scandal
  - b) The Russian Olympic Hockey Team after the doping scandal
  - c) A kinder, gentler Vladimir Putin and his cabinet
  - d) Dopes on ice
  - e) The old smoothies





14. This is a photo of:

- a) An old smoothie
- b) The Old Duff
- c) An old dope
- d) A senator on his way to work
- e) Nothing to see here folks

15. The budget for the Rio Olympics was:

- a) 16 times higher than Brazil's current budget to combat the Zika virus
- b) 51% overspent
- c) 25% more than the US spends annually on foreign aid to all African countries combined
- d) Twice as much as Canada spends in a year on all foreign aid to all countries combined
- e) 3.6 times lower than the Beijing 2008 Olympics



*Answer: all of the above*