

Stuart Kelly's Literary Pub Quiz

The Answers

1. Name the book titles based on their initials given below. The number of letters in each word is provided in brackets.

Barnaby Rudge

A Passage to India

Cider with Rosie

And Then There Were None

The Thousand Autumns of Jacob De Zoet

Vanity Fair

To the Lighthouse

Love in the Time of Cholera

The Nice and the Good

Fifty Shades of Grey

2. Which novels begin and end with these words?

Pride and Prejudice

Ulysses

David Copperfield

A Study in Scarlet

Wuthering Heights

3. Which two Shakespeare plays have the most female speaking parts?

The Winter's Tale

Pericles

Which has the least, mortal, speaking women?

Any of the following accepted:

The Tempest (if you don't include goddesses)

Julius Caesar

Titus Andronicus

4. There were four horsemen in Revelations – but can you match the colour to the horseman? Just to remind you: Death, War, Pestilence and Famine.

Death = White

War = Red

Pestilence = Black

Famine = Pale

5. What connects Clive James, Henry “Hiawatha” Longfellow and Mark Musa, but not Dorothy L Sayers, Alasdair Gray and Ciaran Carson?

The first three completed their translation of Dante, the second three did not.

6. Valjean, Javert, Fantine, Cosette, Eponine, Gavroche and Thenardier all appear in *Les Miserables*, but what unique quality connects their names?

Their names had never appeared in French before.

7. Literary dogs: which works feature the following dogs?

Oliver Twist

David Copperfield (Dora)

The Two Gentlemen of Verona

101 Dalmatians

Three Men In A Boat

Jane Eyre

Tintin

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

Doctor Doolittle

Call of the Wild

8. How to make a monster:

a. We're not told

b. We're not told

c. He attended the academy for the Solomonari in the Carpathians and was chosen by the Devil

d. We're not told – maybe genetic engineering

e. We're not told – maybe something to do with waves and lunar cycles

9. Doctors in literature: which works feature the following doctors?

Cymbeline

Master and Commander

Bleak House

Middlemarch

Candide

The Dunwich Horror

Murder on the Orient Express

Catch 22

The Plague

Tender is the Night

10. In which novels will you find these fictitious novelists?

A lot of Kurt Vonnegut, but he is central to Breakfast of Champions

Atonement
Misery
2666
Any Human Heart
Death in Venice
Little Women
Updike, various stories
The Information
The Comforters

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