

# Australian Trivia

## Questions

### General

1. What is the floral emblem of Australia?
2. What do the letters in the airline name Qantas stand for?
3. What is the international telephone code for Australia?
4. Name the two faces on the \$100 note?
5. In which year was Vegemite first sold in Australia - 1923, 1933 or 1943?
6. Who is the Lamington named after?
7. The Kangaroo and the Emu hold the shield in the Australian coat of arms. Why?
8. National Wattle day is the first day of which month?
9. Below the Union Jack on the Australian flag is the "Star of Federation". How many points does this star have?

### Geography

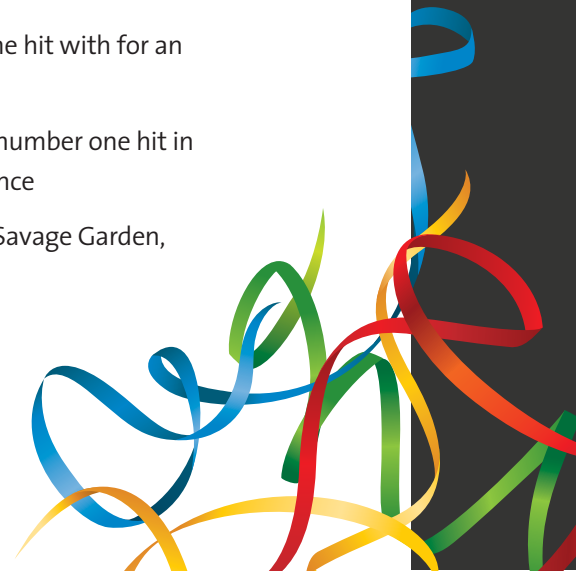
10. What is Australia's largest inland city?
11. Australia has the largest sand island in the world. What is it named?
12. On which river is the Tasmanian city of Devonport?
13. In which South Australian town was former Prime Minister Bob Hawke born in 1929?
14. Which body of water separates Tasmania from mainland Australia?

### Sporting

15. Which former Australian cricket captain was born on Australia Day?
16. In which year was the Melbourne Cup first run?
17. Name the winning yacht of the first Sydney to Hobart race

### Entertainment

18. Who directed the 1986 film Crocodile Dundee?
19. Which song did John 'Farnsey' Farnham have a number one hit with for an amazing 7 weeks in 1986?
20. Which of these former 'Neighbours' stars have not had a number one hit in Australia? Natalie Imbruglia, Delta Goodrem or Holly Valance
21. Which of these Australian groups are not from Brisbane? Savage Garden, Powderfinger or Eskimo Joe



## Arts and Literature

- 22. Who wrote the poem “My Country” which includes the lines “I love a sunburnt country, A land of sweeping plains”?
- 23. Who designed the Sydney Opera House?
- 24. What is the title of the longest Australian novel written? Infinite Jest, Remembrance Rock or Poor Fellow My Country
- 25. Who is the only Australian to win a Nobel Prize for literature? Patrick White, Henry Lawson or Stella Miles Franklin
- 26. Who was the author of popular children’s books, Blinky Bill?

## History and Science

- 27. In what year was Advance Australia Fair proclaimed as the national anthem by the Governor General?
- 28. The name “Australia Day” was used initially in which state in 1931?
- 29. Who was the first prime minister of Australia?
- 30. Who received the inaugural Australian of the Year award at Melbourne’s Australia Day Luncheon in 1961?
- 31. In what year was gold first discovered in Victoria and NSW to begin the ‘Gold Rush’?



## Answers

### General

1. Wattle
2. Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Services
3. +61
4. Dame Nellie Melba Sir John Monash
5. 1923
6. Lord Lamington, the 8th Governor of Queensland, from 1895 to 1901
7. Because they cannot walk backwards
8. September
9. Seven (7)

### Geography

10. Canberra
11. Fraser Island
12. Mersey
13. Bordertown
14. Bass Strait

### Sporting

15. Kim Hughes
16. 1861
17. Rani

### Entertainment

18. Peter Faiman
19. You're The Voice
20. Natalie Imbruglia
21. Eskimo Joe



## Arts and Literature

- 22. Dorothea Mackellar
- 23. Joern Utzon
- 24. Poor Fellow My Country by Xavier Herbert (850,000 words),
- 25. Patrick White, Henry Lawson or Peter Carey
- 26. Dorothy Wall

## History and Science

- 27. 1984
- 28. Victoria
- 29. Sir Edmund Barton
- 30. Sir Macfarlane Burnet
- 31. 1851

