
Quiz topic: Poland

1. The national symbol of Poland is a large bird of prey, but which of the following birds is it?
 - a) a pigeon
 - b) a dove
 - c) an eagle
 - d) a seagull

2. Did you know _____ name for a pet dog in Poland is 'Burek'? It describes the dog's colour as being 'brown-ish' (not exactly brown).
 - a) most popular
 - b) popularist
 - c) the most popular
 - d) the popularist

3. Marie Curie, a famous Polish physicist, won the Nobel Prize when she _____ the radioactive metals radium and polonium.
 - a) invented
 - b) created
 - c) produced
 - d) discovered

4. Nicolaus Copernicus was the first astronomer and mathematician who argued that the Earth _____ the Sun.
 - a) planets
 - b) travels
 - c) orbits
 - d) goes

5. Geographically, Poland is in the very centre of Europe – we could say that it is in the _____ of Europe.
 - a) body
 - b) mind
 - c) soul
 - d) heart

6. Chopin was a famous Polish composer. But did you know he wrote music almost entirely for the _____?
 - a) piano
 - b) guitar
 - c) drums
 - d) violin

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a) Pigeons are not birds of prey (i.e. they do not eat smaller animals such as mice); they are often found living in towns and cities.

b) Doves are not birds of prey (i.e. they do not eat smaller animals such as mice); they are white and seen as a symbol of peace.

c) Eagles are birds of prey (i.e. they eat smaller animals such as mice); they are large, magnificent birds which live in very remote places.

d) Seagulls are not birds of prey (i.e. they do not eat smaller animals such as mice); they usually live by the sea and eat fish (or in the UK fish and chips!)

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a) With longer words like 'popular' you need to say 'the most popular'.

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a) If you invent something, you make something completely new. The metals radium and polonium already existed – Marie Curie 'found' them.

b) If you create something, you make something completely new. The metals radium and polonium already existed – Marie Curie 'found' them.

c) If you produce something, you make something. The metals radium and polonium already existed – Marie Curie 'found' them.

d) Well done! She 'discovered' these radioactive metals.

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- a) 'Planet' is a noun, not a verb – e.g. Mars, Saturn, Neptune are all planets
- b) 'Travel' is a verb, but you need to say the Earth 'travels around' the Sun.
- c) 'Orbit' is a verb which describes travelling in a circle.**
- d) You need to say the Earth 'goes around' the Sun.

5. Geographically, Poland is in the very centre of Europe – we could say that it is in the _____ of Europe.

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- a) Which word means 'in the very centre of something'?
- b) Which word means 'in the very centre of something'?
- c) Which word means 'in the very centre of something'?
- d) Well done! You could also say 'we live in the heart of the city'.**

6. Chopin was a famous Polish composer. But did you know he wrote music almost entirely for the _____?

- a) piano**
- b) guitar
- c) drums
- d) violin

- a) Chopin composed his music almost entirely for the piano.**
- b) Sorry, this is not the correct answer. Choose another instrument!
- c) Sorry, this is not the correct answer. Choose another instrument!
- d) Sorry, this is not the correct answer. Choose another instrument!

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