

**General Knowledge Quiz**  
**In aid of St. Mary's Hall Appeal**

No.	Question	Answer
1	What is a Mermaid's Purse?	Egg pouch of skate or dog fish
2	Where is the Old Man of Hoy?	Orkney
3	At which port did Mary Queen of Scots land when she fled Scotland?	Workington
4	Which French port did Mary I lose for the English Nation?	Calais
5	What was tested at Peenemunde on the Baltic Coast of Germany?	Missiles – V1 rockets
6	Where were the 1952 Olympics held?	Helsinki
7	What is a May blob?	Marsh Marigold
8	What did the French Town of Arras give its name to?	Tapestry
9	What is guano?	Bird droppings
10	What is made from bauxite?	Aluminium
11	Which Australian mammal lays eggs and lives in streams?	Platypus
12	How did Noah know the Flood had receded?	The dove never came back
13	Where is the Giant's Causeway?	Ulster
14	Who settled New York before the British?	The Dutch
15	Who designed the SS Great Britain?	Brunel
16	What did King John reputedly die of?	A surfeit of lampreys.
17	Who is the Greek god of the sun?	Hyperion
18	Did Alexander the Great reach India?	Yes
19	From which Yorkshire town did Captain Cook originate?	Whitby
20	What Hindu sign did the Nazi's corrupt?	Swastika
21	Who painted the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel?	Michelangelo
22	Which was the last European country to switch to driving on the right?	Sweden
23	What was different about the Great Western Railway when it was first built?	Its track gauge was wider than today's standard gauge.
24	Where are the needles?	Isle of Wight
25	Which Prime Minister liked to holiday in the Scilly Isles?	Harold Wilson
26	By what name do the Scots know harebells?	Bluebells
27	What is a bonobo?	A primate
28	In which series of books would you find Diagon Alley?	Harry Potter Series
29	Who wrote Around the World in 80 Days?	Jules Verne
30	Who was William Shakespeare's wife?	Ann Hathaway
31	Whose father kept a grocery shop in Grantham?	Margaret Thatcher
32	Where is Cardinal Wolsey said to be buried?	Leicester Abbey
33	What is a cruciform church?	One built on the sign of the cross.
34	Where is Vale Crucis Abbey?	Near Llangollen, North Wales
35	Where is the Millennium Stadium?	Cardiff
36	What is a topynymic surname?	One named after a place.
37	What is a torc?	Usually a gold neckband.
38	Which Norse god is Friday named after?	Freya
39	How can you tell a Manx cat?	It has no tail.

40	If not a weight what is an ounce?	A type of wild cat.
41	Where is Kamchatka?	Russia
42	What does the nursery rhyme "Ring a ring of roses " represent?	The Black Death
43	What animal is Taupus taupus?	The mole
44	Which British city had its own telephone system not operated by the Post Office?	Kinston upon Hull
45	What is the meaning of Avon?	River
46	Where is Ratae Coritornarum?	Leicester
47	Who was the leader of the Iceni tribe?	Boudica
48	Who believes in attaining nirvana?	Buddhists
49	What is the currency of Japan?	Yen
50	Where would you find the Dow Jones Index?	New York Stock Exchange
51	Who was Barnaby Rudge?	A character in Dickens
52	Where is Old Sarum?	Near Salisbury, Wiltshire
53	What was the florin an attempt at?	Decimalising the British currency.
54	What is bladder wrack?	A type of seaweed
55	What is the Chiltern Hundreds?	When an MP resigns.
56	What is reputed to have been lost in the Wash?	King John's treasure.
57	What is High Force?	A waterfall on the River Tees.
58	Where was the Magna Charta signed?	Runnymede
59	Who composed the Blue Danube?	Strauss
60	What is the Waverley?	The last steam paddle ship in UK
61	What is Judy Garland's real name?	Frances Gumm
62	What bird was found on a farthing?	Wren
63	Who subjugated Montezuma?	Cortes
64	What does the name marmalade originate from?	Portuguese for quince.
65	Where is the Camargue?	Southern France
66	Who reputedly introduced rabbits to England?	The Romans
67	Who gave us our numerals?	The Arabs
68	What is 2006 in Roman Numerals?	MMVI
69	What is a wimple?	A medieval headdress worn by women.
70	Where would you find the metacarpal bone?	In the hand or fore foot of animals.