

Viral Pop Culture and Tech Trends: Global Headlines and Controversies

Global Trends · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. Which celebrity couple's surprise engagement in August 2025 reportedly broke Instagram records for shares, as mentioned in viral pop culture roundups?

- A) Zendaya and Tom Holland
- B) Selena Gomez and Benny Blanco
- C) Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce**
- D) Katy Perry and Orlando Bloom

2. In the realm of viral tech stories from 2025, what bizarre chatbot interaction gained significant attention on Reddit, leading to widespread jokes and surreal AI responses?

- A) A ChatGPT prompt about disposing of a 73kg dead chicken**
- B) An AI's attempt to write a novel about sentient toasters
- C) A chatbot that recited Shakespeare in reverse
- D) An AI designed to predict stock market fluctuations with 100% accuracy

3. Which technology, highlighted in 2025 tech news, involves using living fungi to generate power, described as a biodegradable power source that can run sensors?

- A) Fungi-powered batteries**
- B) Algae-based solar cells
- C) Bio-luminescent lighting
- D) Kinetic energy harvesters

4. A 2025 viral event involved an all-female crew on a suborbital space flight. Which pop star was a notable member of this crew?

- A) Rihanna
- B) Taylor Swift
- C) Katy Perry**
- D) Beyoncé

5. In the domain of AI developments, what significant mathematical problem did OpenAI's internal model reportedly solve in May 2026, which was later verified by mathematicians?

- A) The Riemann Hypothesis
- B) An 80-year-old unsolved math problem**
- C) Fermat's Last Theorem
- D) The Collatz Conjecture

6. According to recent reports, which country has hit a significant milestone in 6G technology, achieving high-frequency speeds topping 100 Gbps?

A) South Korea

B) Japan

C) United States

D) China

7. In a viral tech story from 2025, a study suggested that which common household item could be slowing down home Wi-Fi signals by absorbing or deflecting signals?

A) Microwaves

B) Houseplants

C) Smart refrigerators

D) Metal furniture

8. Which geopolitical event or situation, as of May 2026, is reported to be causing America's reputation to be in free fall, with faith in China's ability to shape a positive world increasing in global surveys?

A) The ongoing war in Iran

B) The trade dispute with Russia

C) The climate change summit

D) The global pandemic response

9. In May 2026, what new form of surveillance demonstrated by scientists in Germany uses ordinary WiFi signals to identify people with near-perfect accuracy?

A) Facial recognition software

B) Gait recognition technology

C) Behavioral pattern analysis

D) Biometric scanning

10. Which celebrity couple, in addition to Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce, reportedly tied the knot in a star-studded ceremony in Santa Barbara in 2025?

A) Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds

B) Zendaya and Tom Holland

C) Selena Gomez and Benny Blanco

D) Chris Pratt and Katherine Schwarzenegger

11. What technological advancement, mentioned in the context of future computing, is described as being akin to 'starships' compared to classical computers, capable of processing information unimaginably fast?

A) Quantum Computing

- B) Neuromorphic Computing
- C) Optical Computing
- D) Biological Computing

12. In May 2026, what did a report from Live Science indicate regarding the optimal robot body, stating it has 20 legs and can perform specific scaling and movement actions?

A) It can scale walls and move through trees

- B) It can swim at incredible speeds
- C) It can operate in extreme temperatures
- D) It can lift heavy objects with ease

13. Which pop culture moment in 2025 involved Kendrick Lamar bringing his public feud with Drake to the Super Bowl halftime stage?

A) His performance of 'Humble.'

B) His performance of 'Not Like Us'

- C) A surprise collaboration with Snoop Dogg
- D) A diss track aimed at Kanye West

14. A startup in 2025 announced plans to rent access to which biological material, grown on a silicon chip, for research purposes?

A) Human brain cells

- B) Lab-grown muscle tissue
- C) Synthetic DNA strands
- D) Cultured stem cells

15. In May 2026, which international body blacklisted Israel and Russia for sexual violence in conflict?

A) The International Criminal Court (ICC)

B) The United Nations (UN)

- C) The World Health Organization (WHO)
- D) The International Court of Justice (ICJ)