

Nordic Pop Culture & Diplomacy: Recent Cross-Border & International News!

Nordic Entertainment Diplomacy · Answer Key · 16 Questions

1. The 'Nordic Gateway' initiative, launched by the Göteborg Film Festival in 2025, aims to connect international feature films with which regional partners?

A) Nordic partners

B) Baltic partners

C) Eastern European partners

D) UK and Irish partners

2. Which event in June 2025 will feature a quartet of Scandinavian artists, including Anna of the North (Norway) and Sarah Klang (Sweden), co-organized by the Consulates General of Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden in New York?

A) Nordic Next

B) Scandinavian Soundwave

C) Fjord Fusion Festival

D) Arctic Beats

3. The Nordic International Film Festival (NIFF), the largest Nordic film festival outside of Europe, is based in which city?

A) New York City

B) Oslo

C) Stockholm

D) Helsinki

4. The Nordic & Baltic Short Film Festivals Network, founded in 2010, aims to strengthen the position of Nordic short film through collaborations and networking. Which of these is NOT a founding member festival?

A) Nordisk Panorama, Sweden

B) Odense International Film Festival, Denmark

C) Reykjavik International Film Festival, Iceland

D) Tampere Film Festival, Finland

5. A new pilot program launching in August 2025, funded by the Nordic Culture Fund and arts funding agencies of Ireland, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, aims to foster international collaboration and develop artistic networks across which regions?

A) Nordic region, UK, and Ireland

B) Nordic region and Eastern Europe

C) UK and the Baltic states

D) Ireland and North America

6. In July 2026, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi embarked on a diplomatic push across the Nordic region, visiting Denmark, Sweden, Finland, and which other Nordic country?

A) Norway

B) Iceland

C) Estonia

D) Latvia

7. The Nordic Council of Ministers' Co-operation Programme for Culture 2025-2030, approved in August 2024, aims to contribute to the vision of the Nordic Region becoming the most sustainable and integrated region in the world by which year?

A) 2030

B) 2035

C) 2040

D) 2050

8. Which of these Danish TV series, set in late 1970s and early 1980s Copenhagen, dives into the dangerous world of the hardcore biker gang 'Bullshit' and won multiple awards at the 2024 Geneva International Film Festival?

A) Bullshit

B) Families Like Ours

C) The Bridge

D) Borgen

9. Netflix announced new Nordic programs for 2025, including a Swedish crime series titled 'Synden', a Danish feature film 'SULT', and a new season of which Norwegian series?

A) Home for Christmas

B) Lykke-Per

C) The Rain

D) Lilyhammer

10. The 'Nordic Music Journeys' events in October 2025 explore relationships and links between the music scenes of Sweden and which other country?

A) Scotland

B) Finland

C) Norway

D) Denmark

11. A significant aspect of Nordic diplomacy highlighted in November 2025 is their ability to win global trust through which key characteristic?

A) Clean governance and transparent policies

- B) Aggressive military posturing
- C) Economic coercion
- D) Ideological pronouncements

12. Research from Ampere Analysis indicated a sharp decline in Nordic commissioning between 2024 and 2025. Which genre experienced the biggest drop, falling 75%?

A) Unscripted children and family

- B) Scripted crime and thriller
- C) Documentaries
- D) Sci-fi dramas

13. In June 2026, a panel at New Nordic Films in Haugesund focused on promoting Nordic films internationally, highlighting two Norwegian titles: 'Loveable' and 'Dreams'. The panel was moderated by journalist and festival consultant Wendy Mitchell and featured producers and distributors from which regions?

A) Norway, Czech Republic, and Italy

- B) Norway and the USA
- C) Norway and Germany
- D) Norway and Sweden

14. As of June 2026, global streaming services have been reshaping competitive dynamics in the Nordics. Which streaming giant has been the top international investor in Nordic content, with a significant investment in Sweden over the last four years?

A) Netflix

- B) Amazon Prime Video
- C) Disney+
- D) HBO Max

15. The New8 alliance, announced in late 2023, is a co-production and distribution partnership between European public broadcasters, including Nordic ones like DR (Denmark), SVT (Sweden), YLE (Finland), and NRK (Norway), along with ZDF (Germany), NPO (Netherlands), and which other broadcaster?

A) VRT (Belgium)

- B) BBC (UK)
- C) France Télévisions (France)
- D) ORF (Austria)

16. In May 2026, a visit by India's Prime Minister to five nations, including the Nordic countries, was seen as a step towards deepening bilateral engagement in areas such as green technology, innovation, and sustainable development. Which of these Nordic countries was NOT part of this visit?

- A) Iceland**
- B) Sweden
- C) Norway
- D) Denmark