

Historical Celebrity Trivia

Celebrity History · Answer Key · 18 Questions

1. Before achieving fame as a filmmaker, Alfred Hitchcock began his career in the film industry in 1920 working as a what?

- A) Title card designer**
- B) Film projectionist
- C) Camera assistant
- D) Script reader

2. In 1965, which famous musician was awarded the Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) by Queen Elizabeth II?

- A) Mick Jagger
- B) Paul McCartney
- C) John Lennon**
- D) Eric Clapton

3. Which actress was the first person to win three Academy Awards for Best Actress in a Leading Role?

- A) Bette Davis
- B) Ingrid Bergman
- C) Katharine Hepburn**
- D) Meryl Streep

4. What was the original professional name of the singer known as Lady Gaga before she adopted her stage name?

- A) Stefani Germanotta**
- B) Stefani Knight
- C) Stefani Gallo
- D) Stefani Rossi

5. Which Hollywood legend was born with the birth name Issur Danielovitch?

- A) Kirk Douglas**
- B) Tony Curtis
- C) Jack Lemmon
- D) Burt Lancaster

6. In 1944, which future U.S. President was an actor in the film 'Love Is Better Than Ever'?

- A) Ronald Reagan**
- B) Gerald Ford
- C) George H.W. Bush
- D) Richard Nixon

7. Which famous author and playwright was famously fired from his job as a teacher at a London school before finding literary success?

- A) George Orwell**
- B) Oscar Wilde
- C) William Golding
- D) Roald Dahl

8. Before becoming a global superstar, Madonna worked at which fast-food chain in Times Square, New York, in 1979?

- A) McDonald's
- B) Dunkin' Donuts**
- C) Burger King
- D) Wendy's

9. Which legendary actor served as a lifeguard at the Illinois River before starting his film career?

- A) Harrison Ford
- B) Clint Eastwood
- C) Ronald Reagan**
- D) Paul Newman

10. What was the title of the first film in which Marilyn Monroe had a credited speaking role?

- A) The Shocking Miss Pilgrim
- B) Scudda Hoo! Scudda Hay!
- C) Dangerous Years**
- D) Ladies of the Chorus

11. Which fashion designer served as a nurse during World War I, treating wounded soldiers in Deauville?

- A) Coco Chanel**
- B) Elsa Schiaparelli
- C) Jeanne Lanvin
- D) Madeleine Vionnet

12. Before fame, which actor worked as a driver for the band The Grateful Dead?

- A) Keanu Reeves
- B) Brad Pitt
- C) Danny DeVito

D) Harrison Ford

13. Which legendary blues musician was posthumously awarded a Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2005?

- A) B.B. King
- B) Muddy Waters
- C) Robert Johnson

D) Ray Charles

14. What was the name of the ship that brought Arnold Schwarzenegger to the United States in 1968?

A) SS United States

- B) Queen Elizabeth
- C) SS France
- D) Leonardo da Vinci

15. Which iconic singer was once a member of the U.S. Army and served in West Germany from 1958 to 1960?

A) Johnny Cash

B) Elvis Presley

- C) Frank Sinatra
- D) Dean Martin

16. In 1939, which actor was originally cast as the Tin Man in 'The Wizard of Oz' before suffering a severe allergic reaction to the aluminum makeup?

A) Buddy Ebsen

- B) Ray Bolger
- C) Jack Haley
- D) Bert Lahr

17. Before she was a famous talk show host, Oprah Winfrey was the youngest news anchor at which television station?

A) WTVF-TV

B) WLAC-TV

- C) WJLA-TV
- D) WUSA-TV

18. Which famous scientist was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952 but declined the offer?

A) Albert Einstein

B) Niels Bohr

C) Enrico Fermi

D) Robert Oppenheimer