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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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ISAAC ASIMOV'S SUPER QUIZ

Take this Super Quiz to a Ph.D. Score 1 point for each correct answer on the Freshman Level, 2 points on the Graduate Level and 3 points on the Ph.D. Level.

**Subject: GENERAL SCIENCE** (e.g., What do we call the layers of gas surrounding Earth? Answer: Atmosphere.)

**FRESHMAN LEVEL**  
1. Plants convert light energy into chemical energy by this process. Answer\_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the word for the innermost geologic layer of planet Earth? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

3. How many teeth does an adult human have? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

4. What does an omnivore eat? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

5. What do bees collect to make honey? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

**GRADUATE LEVEL**  
6. What is the hottest planet in our solar system? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

7. What tissues connect the muscles to the bones? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

8. There are 118 of these listed in the Periodic Table. Answer\_\_\_\_\_

9. What is the tallest type of grass? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

10. What was the most famous invention of Alfred Nobel? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

Answer\_\_\_\_\_

**PH.D. LEVEL**  
11. What is the rarest of the eight main blood types? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

12. What is the claim to fame of a sheep named Dolly? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

13. What is the claim to fame of a dog named Laika? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

14. What is the term for the branch of physics that deals with light and vision? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

15. What part of the body is affected by Bright's disease? Answer\_\_\_\_\_

**ANSWERS:** 1. Photosynthesis. 2. Core. 3. Thirty-two. 4. Both plants and animals (meat). 5. Nectar. 6. Venus. 7. Tendons. 8. Elements. 9. Bamboo. 10. Dynamite. 11. AB negative. 12. First living creature to be cloned. 13. First mammal to be launched into space. 14. Optics. 15. Kidney.

**SCORING:**  
24 to 30 points — congratulations, doctor; 18 to 23 points — honors graduate; 13 to 17 points — you're plenty smart, but no grind; 5 to 12 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 4 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ V W X Z T M N ' Y X P Z H B M R P D P M Z D M  
W H C X L M D D X Z R M F N I W , D W X L P O D H D  
D W P R B M P Z D P R L P C P Z L E H I U . ”  
— U P R R ' R B H N A R D H Z A X T

Previous Solution: “There is a bedrock decency to people in the Midwest. They are ... ready to help you if something needs to be done.” — Shelley Fabares

TODAY'S CLUE: *ksienbe U*

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Criminal charge

4 Catchall abbr.

7 Fedora feature

11 “Gotcha!”

12 Reveal

14 Midway attraction

15 “Like father, like —”

16 Walking stick

17 Religious image

18 Snake

20 Traitor

Benedict

22 Sculling need

23 Schlep

24 Complete range

26 PIN

prompter

27 Blunder

30 Wicked

31 “That’s disgusting!”

32 — gin fizz

33 Male animals

34 Singer — Orbison

DOWN

35 Suffering

36 Great wonder

37 Robin’s — blue

38 Spread-sheet data array

39 Tiny

40 “Much — About Nothing”

41 Hereditary

44 Man of the cloth

47 Diviner

48 Whodunit game

50 Onassis, familiarly

51 Church service

52 Tall tale

53 Child

54 Diminutive suffix

55 “You can — on it!”

56 Direction letters

Answer to Previous Puzzle

G	A	B	L	A	M	A	S	H	E
I	C	E	I	M	A	S	C	O	A
L	I	E	S	A	L	T	H	O	S
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I	T	O	R	T	R	U	E	O	R
S	S	T	H	E	I	R	W	A	R

4 Chaperone

5 Lighter — -air

6 Swindle

7 Fetch

8 Puerto —

9 Object of worship

10 Fix

13 In the money

19 Transports

21 Certain liquor

24 “I — — Kick Out of You”

25 Affirm

26 Very excited

27 Complicated

28 Stir up

29 Philosopher — Descartes

31 Pressing importance

32 Shovel

37 Poet’s always

38 Flair

39 From bad to —

41 “Woe — —!”

42 Unmixed, said of whiskey

43 Outdoor

44 Preserve with salt

45 Golf club

46 Mention

49 Dog breed, for short

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