

# Australia Day Trivia

## General

1. Who designed the Sydney Opera House?
2. What do the letters in the airline name Qantas stand for?
3. What is the oldest university in Australia?
4. In which year did Australia change to decimal currency?
5. In which year was Vegemite first sold in Australia?
  - ▶ 1923
  - ▶ 1933
  - ▶ 1943

## Geography

6. Name the most easterly point of mainland Australia.
7. What was Tasmania originally named?
8. What is Australia's largest inland city?
9. All but three Australian states observe daylight saving. Which are they?
10. Which Australian city is renowned for its pearling industry?

## Sport

11. How many teams are in the AFL?
12. What distance did Cathy Freeman run to win gold at the 2000 Sydney Olympics?
13. Which former Australian cricket captain was born on Australia Day?
14. Name the winning yacht of the first Sydney to Hobart race?
15. In which year did the Wallabies last win the Bledisloe Cup?
  - ▶ 2000
  - ▶ 2002
  - ▶ 2004

## Entertainment

16. Which of these former 'Neighbours' stars have not had a number one hit in Australia?
  - ▶ Natalie Imbruglia
  - ▶ Delta Goodrem
  - ▶ Holly Valance

17. Which of these Australian groups are not from Brisbane?
  - ▶ Savage Garden
  - ▶ Powderfinger
  - ▶ Eskimo Joe
18. In which year were the ARIA Music Awards first held?
  - ▶ 1975
  - ▶ 1979
  - ▶ 1987
19. Who directed the 1986 film *Crocodile Dundee*?
20. Which song did John 'Farnsey' Farnham have a number one hit with for an amazing 7 weeks in 1986?

## Arts and Literature

21. Which Aussie artist is famous for his Ned Kelly paintings?
  - ▶ Arthur Streeton
  - ▶ Arthur Boyd
  - ▶ Sidney Nolan
22. Who was the first Australian to win the Booker Prize?
23. Who was the author of popular children's books, *Blinky Bill*?
24. Which Australian won the 2009 Commonwealth Writers Prize for his novel *The Slap*?
25. Who wrote *Waltzing Matilda*?

## History and Politics

26. Where was Ned Kelly's last stand?
27. In which year was colour television first transmitted in Australia?
28. Who was Australia's first Indigenous senator?
29. Who was the first woman to be elected in an Australian Parliament?
30. In which year did Cyclone Tracey hit Darwin?





# Answers

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### General

1. Jørn Utzon
2. Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Service
3. University of Sydney
4. 1966
5. 1923

### Geography

6. Cape Byron
7. Van Diemen's Land
8. Canberra
9. Western Australia, Queensland and Northern Territory
10. Broome

### Sport

11. 18
12. 400m
13. Kim Hughes
14. Rani
15. 2002

### Entertainment

16. Natalie Imbruglia
17. Eskimo Joe
18. 1987
19. Peter Fairman
20. You're The Voice

### Arts and Literature

21. Sidney Nolan
22. Thomas Keneally in 1982 for Schindler's Ark
23. Dorothy Wall
24. Christos Tsiolkas
25. Banjo Paterson

## History and Politics

26. Glenrowan
27. 1975
28. Neville Bonner
29. Edith Cowan
30. 1974

