

ESOL Pub Quiz

6 Rounds • 5 Questions Each • 30 Points Total

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Round 1	New Zealand Culture and Geography	
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Round 1: New Zealand Culture and Geography

Question	Your Answer
1. What is the capital city of New Zealand?	
2. New Zealand has two main islands. What are they called?	
3. What is the name of the indigenous people of New Zealand?	
4. The kiwi is a bird that cannot fly. What is special about how a kiwi bird finds food?	
5. New Zealand has around 6 million sheep and about 5 million people. True or false?	

Round 2: Everyday English Vocabulary

Question	Your Answer
1. Which word means the opposite of 'noisy'?	
2. You go to a place to borrow books for free and return them later. What is this place called?	
3. What does the word 'annual' mean?	
4. Choose the correct word: 'She _____ to work by bus every day.' (go / goes / going)	
5. What is the difference between 'borrow' and 'lend'?	

Round 3: Famous People

Question	Your Answer
1. Jacinda Ardern was the Prime Minister of New Zealand. Is this true or false?	
2. Sir Edmund Hillary was the first person to reach the top of which famous mountain?	
3. Which country was the famous scientist Albert Einstein born in?	
4. What sport did Sir Peter Blake become famous for?	
5. Which country was the first to give women the vote?	

Round 4: Festivals and Celebrations

Question	Your Answer
1. On what date is Waitangi Day celebrated in New Zealand?	
2. What festival marks the end of Ramadan for Muslim communities?	
3. In New Zealand, ANZAC Day is on 25 April. Who does it remember?	
4. Which major winter festival involves giving gifts and is celebrated on 25 December?	
5. The Lunar New Year is celebrated in many Asian countries. In the Chinese calendar, what animal represents the year 2024?	

Round 5: Animals and Nature

Question	Your Answer
1. What is the name of New Zealand's tallest mountain?	
2. A tuatara is a reptile found only in New Zealand. About how old can a tuatara live to be: 20 years, 60 years, or 100 years?	
3. What do we call an animal that only eats plants?	
4. New Zealand has one native mammal. What is it?	
5. What is the term for animals that are active at night and sleep during the day?	

Round 6: Sayings and What They Mean

Question	Your Answer
1. What does the saying 'It's raining cats and dogs' mean?	
2. If someone tells you to 'break a leg', what are they really saying?	
3. What does 'to be under the weather' mean?	
4. The saying 'Don't judge a book by its cover' means: a) Read more books b) Don't decide what something is like based only on how it looks c) Buy books carefully	
5. In New Zealand, people sometimes say 'Sweet as!' What does this mean?	

Good luck and have fun!

ESOL Pub Quiz - Answers

Answer Key — Teacher Copy

Round 1: New Zealand Culture and Geography

Question	Answer
1. What is the capital city of New Zealand?	Wellington
2. New Zealand has two main islands. What are they called?	North Island and South Island
3. What is the name of the indigenous people of New Zealand?	Māori
4. The kiwi is a bird that cannot fly. What is special about how a kiwi bird finds food?	It uses its long beak and sense of smell to find worms and insects in the ground at night
5. New Zealand has around 6 million sheep and about 5 million people. True or false?	True

Round 2: Everyday English Vocabulary

Question	Answer
1. Which word means the opposite of 'noisy'?	Quiet / Silent
2. You go to a place to borrow books for free and return them later. What is this place called?	A library
3. What does the word 'annual' mean?	Once a year / happening every year
4. Choose the correct word: 'She _____ to work by bus every day.' (go / goes / going)	Goes
5. What is the difference between 'borrow' and 'lend'? Give an example of each.	You borrow something FROM someone (I borrow a pen from you). You lend something TO someone (I lend a pen to you).

Round 3: Famous People

Question	Answer
1. Jacinda Ardern was the Prime Minister of New Zealand. Is this true or false?	True
2. Sir Edmund Hillary was the first person to reach the top of which famous mountain?	Mount Everest
3. Which country was the famous scientist Albert Einstein born in?	Germany
4. What sport did Sir Peter Blake become famous for?	Sailing (he was a world-famous New Zealand yachtsman)
5. Malala Yousafzai won the Nobel Peace Prize. What was she known for standing up for?	The right of girls and women to receive an education

Round 4: Festivals and Celebrations

Question	Answer
1. On what date is Waitangi Day celebrated in New Zealand?	6 February
2. What festival marks the end of Ramadan for Muslim communities?	Eid al-Fitr
3. In New Zealand, ANZAC Day is on 25 April. Who does it remember?	New Zealand and Australian soldiers who died in wars, especially at Gallipoli in World War One
4. Which major winter festival involves giving gifts and is celebrated on 25 December?	Christmas
5. The Lunar New Year is celebrated in many Asian countries. In the Chinese calendar, what animal represents the year 2024?	The Dragon

Round 5: Animals and Nature

Question	Answer
1. What is the name of New Zealand's tallest mountain?	Aoraki / Mount Cook
2. A tuatara is a reptile found only in New Zealand. About how old can a tuatara live to be: 20 years, 60 years, or 100 years?	100 years (they can live over 100 years)
3. What do we call an animal that only eats plants?	Herbivore
4. New Zealand has one native mammal. What is it?	There are no other native land mammals — only bats are native (seals and sea lions are marine mammals)
5. What is the term for animals that are active at night and sleep during the day?	Nocturnal

Round 6: Sayings and What They Mean

Question	Answer
1. What does the saying 'It's raining cats and dogs' mean?	It is raining very heavily
2. If someone tells you to 'break a leg', what are they really saying?	Good luck!
3. What does 'to be under the weather' mean?	To feel unwell or sick
4. The saying 'Don't judge a book by its cover' means: a) Read more books b) Don't decide what something is like based only on how it looks c) Buy books carefully	b) Don't decide what something is like based only on how it looks
5. In New Zealand, people sometimes say 'Sweet as!' What does this mean?	That's great / That's excellent / No problem (an expression of approval)

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