



## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. How many strings do the majority of violins have?
2. Which planet in our Solar System is the closest to the Sun?
3. Which European city uses gondolas for local city transport?
4. In the northern hemisphere tropical storms are called hurricanes. What are they called in the southern hemisphere?
5. Name three Australian native trees?
6. Whom did the British navy under the Duke of Wellington, defeat at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815?
7. Which mammal is the fastest on land?
8. Where are the Niagara Falls?
9. The FIFA World Cup 2018 will be held in in which country?
10. The words to the bush ballad Waltzing Mathilda were written by which Australian poet in 1895?
11. What is the name of the current Pope?
12. The Republic of Rhodesia is the former name of which African country ?
13. Who wrote 'Wuthering Heights'?
14. How old is Dame Vera Lynn?
15. Where in the human body would you find the bone named the patella?
16. How many children did Queen Victoria and Prince Albert have?
17. Tasmania was named after which Dutch explorer?



## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Four
2. Mercury
3. Venezia (Venice)
4. Cyclones
5. eucalyptus, grevillea, banksia, lilly pilly, golden wattle, Moreton Bay fig, paperbark
6. Napoleon Bonaparte and France
7. Cheetah – can reach speeds of 110 – 120 km per hour
8. Niagara Falls consists of a set of three waterfalls that straddle the international border between Canada and USA
9. Russia
10. A. B. (Banjo) Patterson
11. Pope Francis. His birth name is Jorge Mario Bergoglio.
12. The Republic of Zimbabwe
13. Emily Bronte
14. 100 years old
15. The Patella is the kneecap
16. Nine (that means she was pregnant for about seven years!)
17. Abel Tasman