

1. Which famous sequence comprising 154 individual units ends with the lines “Love's fire heats water, water cools not love.”?	1. Shakespeare's Sonnets
2. In early 2016, Nalini Chettur of Chennai's Giggles Book Shop organised a special sale titled the Coovum Selection—‘quite a marvellous set of books’, in her words. <b>What was this Coovum Selection?</b>	2. Books damaged in the Chennai Floods/Books damaged by the Coovum overflowing in December 2015.
3. “Her title was The Architecture of Ideas, her theme how to navigate the boundless seas of information available via the internet. Within her 13 and a half minutes she had reduced me to a gibbering jelly. Words kept coming out of the radio but I had no idea what she was saying.” <b>Telegraph's media commentator Gillian Reynolds on which Internet personality?</b>	3. Maria Popova of Brain Pickings.
4. Retinal, a chemical compound closely associated with animal vision, is also thought to have been deeply implicated in the metabolic activity of early life forms on Earth before it was eventually replaced by Chlorophyll. This idea, floated by Shiladitya Das Sharma, is called the _____ Earth Hypothesis. Look hard at this question for a good guess.	4. Purple
5. This 4-letter word has at least three different meanings, and thus three different etymologies. One is an insignificant young person/young one, another is a shoot or a sprout, and the third, derived from the Sanskrit for ‘thought’, is often replaced by the synonym kurie/kuries in some parts of South India. <b>What word, four letters in the singular form?</b>	5. Chit/Chits
6. While addressing the Oxford Union Debating Society in 2012, he revealed that he had ‘tried every creature: elephant, monkey, snake, and even kangaroo. Since the kangaroo was too slow, he chose something a little quicker. <b>Who, and what did he choose?</b>	6. Psy & The Pony Dance for Gangnam Style.
7. The Sahara Desert, the Pyramids of Giza, the ship QE2 and an amphitheatre in Tunisia were among the venues considered for this 30 January 1969 event. The organisers finally settled for a venue five floors up at No. 3, Savile Row, London. <b>What 42-minute event?</b>	7. The Beatles' Rooftop Concert
8. The name used for one of Francis Galton's inventions is now associated with the carefully coded public statements of former Australian PM John Howard. He tended to use words such as ‘un-Australian’ and ‘mainstream’ which raised racial anxieties whilst sounding innocuous. <b>The term used is _____ - _____ politics, referring to this invention being operative in the 45 kHz range.</b>	8. Dog-whistle Politics
9. He was invited to Denmark in 1845, and visited a site in the country's extended territories that was then drawing much attention. He constructed a simulation using a basin of water from which a long tube filled with water extended upwards. He heated the tube at various points and theorised that it was when the contents in the middle reached its boiling point that a certain event occurred. <b>Who? What did he explain thus? (TWO-POINTER)</b>	9. Robert Bunsen. He visited Geysir in Iceland, then part of Denmark, and figured out how geysers work thus.
10. The flag of Cyprus is famous for bearing a map of the country. <b>What colour is this map?</b>	10. Copper-orange, due to the belief that the country is named after early copper mines.
11. In an 1841 work that put together six of his lectures, this British thinker offered an idea of history as the biography of great men. The X of the long title “whether king or prophet, poet or philosopher, was a challenger of convention and of sham and a reformer of the defunct and the empty”. While the idea itself may be discredited, a phrase he coined, and used in the title, for the kind of adulation enjoyed by Xes, is still in use. <b>Name thinker, and phrase. (TWO-POINTER)</b>	11. Carlyle & Hero-worship.
12. This thickly forested area near Entebbe is now the property of the Uganda Virus Research institute and is normally spelt with a double I. <b>Which area?</b>	12. Zika/Ziika Forest
13. <b>Which 9-letter surname</b> that has been in the news is a Latinized form of the Dutch surname Backer/Becker, meaning ‘baker’ or ‘miller’?	13. Pistorius
14. The term Autumn of Nations is applied to <b>which year in the 20<sup>th</sup> century</b> that was marked by regime change and popular uprisings?	14. 1989

15. What 8-letter word associated with the legal professions comes from the Old French for 'someone appointed to act on behalf of another'?	15. <u>Attorney</u>
16. Sometimes called Lamp Oil, this substance is known by two names. One is a name derived from the Greek word for wax, while the other comes from a Latin phrase meaning having no fondness or connection (to other substances). What are these two names? <b>(TWO-POINTER)</b>	16. Kerosene & Paraffin
17. This familiar term may mean either 'foot clothing' or 'to collect around the foot' if you translate it literally from Persian to English. <b>What term?</b>	17. Pajamas
18. In many languages, this observance is known by a name meaning smaller or lesser, on account of another day being considered holier than this one. In Pashto, it is thus called Kamkhay Akhtar or lesser feast, and Urdu speakers sometimes refer to it by the name Choti, meaning 'smaller'. <b>Which observance? Which is the other? TWO-POINTER</b>	18. Eid-ul-Fltr and Bakrid/Eid-ul-Adha
19. The Hilal is said to have been the primary inducement for the development of astronomy in the Islamic world. <b>So, what is the Hilal?</b>	19. The sighting of the crescent moon.
20. The term hippodrome has not changed in meaning since the days of the ancient Greeks. <b>Which specific sport does it refer to?</b>	20. Horse racing/Chariot racing.
21. The term Qita means fragment in Arabic, and is thus the term for a form of Sufi poetry characterised by short verses. Since the 20 <sup>th</sup> century, this term has also had a specific application in geography. <b>Where? /To what?</b>	21. Gaza Strip
22. Israel, Georgia and Uzbekistan are three countries in Asia connected by an unusual fact. Two other countries in Asia share this distinction. India too could fit into this list. <b>Name the two countries, and explain the distinction. THREE-POINTER</b>	22. Saudi Arabia and The Philippines. Countries named after individuals /people. India, that is Bharat, could also figure.
23. Conrad Keating wrote a biography of Richard Doll, an epidemiologist associated with a path-breaking 1950 study that transformed the field. His work pushed his colleagues to go beyond infectious diseases to chronic ones as well. The biography takes its title from the two-word health campaign that Doll's work led to. <b>Either identify the result of the study or give the title of Keating's biography.</b>	23. Smoking causes lung cancer. The book is titled <i>Smoking Kills</i> .
24. Some American cities have a LART, a force meant to deal with one of the unexpected effects of rapid urban growth. If RT stands for Response Team, <b>what does LA stand for?</b>	24. Large Animal
25. Philip Ziegler developed the so-called fly-by-wire technology, which is designed to prevent a particular error from occurring, and to allow for cradling when such an error does occur. This is perhaps what made Chesley Sullenberger an international hero in 2009. <b>What are we referring to? BE SPECIFIC.</b>	25. Airbus landing in Hudson River
26. Tortillas have replaced bread as carbs for astronauts on NASA's missions. <b>Why?</b>	26. Doesn't break into crumbs and cause respiratory problems, therefore safer.
27. Maple I and Maple II are nuclear reactors built to replace the nearby Chalk River Reactor as the world's biggest supplier of medical isotopes. <b>In which country?</b>	27. Canada
28. This 100 kmX100 km area is the world's largest salt flat. Its location makes it ideal for calibrating the altimeters of earth observation satellites. <b>Which location, watched with great zeal by investors the world over?</b>	28. Salar de Uyuni, Bolivia.
29. Hayot Tsaghansputyun, an event said to have occurred on 24 April 1915, led Raphael Lemkin to coin an 8-letter word in 1943. Versions of the same were also practised on Maronite Christians, Greeks and Assyrians. <b>What event? What term? TWO-POINTER</b>	29. Armenian Massacre. Genocide.
30. The Quechua word for 'east' is today applied to a formation 7000 km long, making it the longest of its kind in the world. <b>What is this formation?</b>	30. Andes Mountains
31. What equestrian event takes its name from the French word for training and focuses on harmonious movement?	31. Dressage
32. The barrera and andanada are the front and upper rows respectively. These are further divided into sombre, sol and sombre y sol or shade, sun, and sun and shade sections. The most expensive seats are in the barrera sombre section, and the cheapest in the andanada sol. <b>In what sort of venue?</b>	32. Bullfighting venue/Playa de Toro
33. In which sport would an orderly sequence of moves between the contestants be known as a phrase?	33. Fencing

34. The hole cut in the ice for players in curling to keep balance while throwing is known by a four letter word. <b>What evocative four letter word? Why is this practice restricted to North America and never adopted in Scotland?</b>	34. Hack. Curling rinks in Scotland double up as skating rinks; this practice would make them unusable...
35. In 1958, the IAAF ruled against the built-up heel in this category as an unfair practice. Since then, the stipulation has been that the heel can be no more than 0.5 inches thicker than the sole. <b>In which discipline?</b>	35. High Jump
36. The first was held in Hamilton, Canada in 1930. The second in London. The third in Sydney in 1938. About a decade later it went through a rechristening. <b>What was the original name? What are they called now? TWO-POINTER</b>	36. British Empire Games & Commonwealth Games
37. This British brand of safety-razors was designed such that the user could sharpen the blade against the metal container in which it came. It was named after another famous British brand in order to suggest luxury. <b>Which brand was it named after?</b>	37. Rolls Razor, named after the Rolls-Royce
38. This Japanese company takes its name from a local phrase meaning essence of taste. Their main business dates back to a 1909 patent filed by chemistry professor Kikunae Ikeda, based on something obtained from seaweed broth. This company is also the world's biggest manufacturer of the artificial sweetener Aspartame. <b>Which company?</b>	38. Ajinomoto
39. The Samsung SPH-N270 was a bar style novelty mobile phone released in 2003 and designed in close consultation with the crew of a film that had been released the same year. The design included a spring-loaded earpiece which would snap up to reveal the screen. <b>Which film, #2 in a series?</b>	39. Matrix Reloaded
40. The hide-covered ball used in this sport is called the Sliotharn. It may be caught by stick or caman, and by hand, must never be picked up by hand to initiate play. <b>In which sport?</b>	40. Hurling
41. The word Kusni is found in several Indian dialects that have come in contact with French. <b>Which part of the house do they refer to?</b>	41. Kitchen
42. This term comes from the Dravidian word for embanked portion of a field. In time it also came to mean the just harvested crop. <b>What five letter word?</b>	42. Paddy
43. The name of the sport comes from the Zen injunction that one must empty the mind of selfishness and desire in the service of the ethical. All basic instructions are given in Japanese. <b>Which sport?</b>	43. Karate
44. <b>In which Indian state</b> would you find the Dibang Valley and Lohit Districts? <b>What entity do both these names refer to? TWO-POINTER</b>	44. Arunachal Pradesh. Brahmaputra.
45. This diplomat, courtier and spy managed to stay on the good side of both Oliver Cromwell and the restored monarchy. His machinations caused Samuel Pepys to term him 'a most ungrateful villain'. <b>How is this strategist and political animal remembered today?</b>	45. George Downing, after whom Downing Street is named.
46. He talked of his method as the anatomical-clinical method of diagnosis and coined the term Auscultation for the specific technique that was performed using his invention. Who? What device? <b>TWO-POINTER</b>	46. Rene Laennec & Stethoscope
47. The Guinea Trade and Triangular Trade were two of the euphemisms used for <b>which profitable line of business</b> from about 200 years ago?	47. The Slave Trade
48. Which two of his superstar contemporaries did Denis Diderot invite to contribute the sections on history and music while putting together his <i>Encyclopedie</i> in French? <b>TWO-POINTER</b>	48. Voltaire and Rousseau
49. The Latin word for ship entered church architecture as a metaphor for transporting believers to heaven. <b>What is this word, now firmly associated with churches?</b>	49. Nave

50. This 8-letter word is used for the precise location where the borders of three countries meet. Two in Europe are famous: one lends its name to a document while the other is the capital of a new country on shared borders with Austria and Hungary. Of the three such in India, one is well-known for military reasons. **What is this 8-letter term? Name any two of the three mentioned here. (3-pointer)**

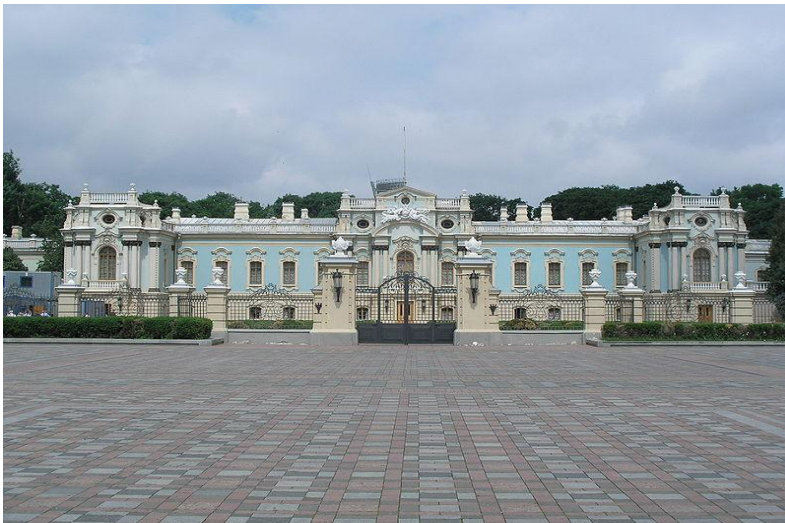
50. Tripoint. Schengen, Bratislava and Siachen Glacier.

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51. At which museum named after a European princeling? **Mauritshuis**, Hague



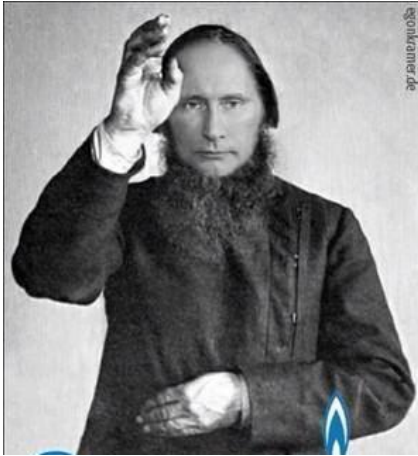
52. The Mariyinsky Palace, seen here, is the official resident of which country's President? **Ukraine**



53. Which airline ran this ad to advertise a specific route/service? **Air India, to publicise their Mumbai-NY flight**



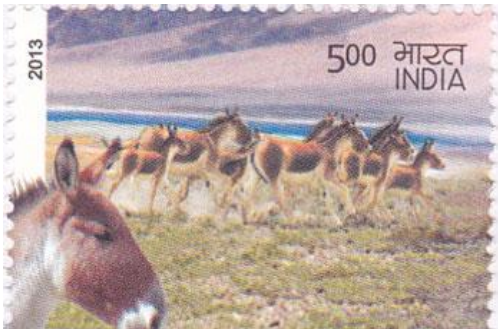
54. What is the name for this representation? **Gas-Putin**



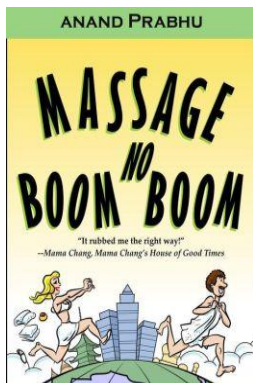
55. Stamp in honour of? **Ruby Myers/Sulochana**



56. The Kiang is a species of wild ass found in which region in India? **Ladakh**



57. This is the author's pen-name. ID the best-selling novel that he published under his own name in the early 1990s?  
**The Revised Kamasutra**



58. Identify either male character, or author: **PD James/Adam Dalgliesh**



59. This man's work realised in the revival of what in India? **Buddhism**



60. What apt five-letter name is given to this bird? **Stilt**

