In The Know Quiz ②

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Part A: Words

A1 Why is Prime Minister Boris Johnson facing questions from MPs over a £900,000 spend?

A2 How is North Korea responding to former North Koreans sending food and other items back over the border, usually by balloon?

A3 How are conservationists in Nepal trying to discover new ways of helping endangered red pandas?

A4 Which fundraising campaign are 14-year-old Ellie and her 12-year-old brother Hayden backing, and why?

A5 Why is Talulah Quinto in the news?

A6 How did the University of California reverse the signs of aging in old mice, an experiment that could lead to young people staying healthier for longer?

A7 Which decision does shadow education secretary Rebecca Long Bailey say lacks detail and appears to be "a tiny fraction of the support" needed?

A8 Who is pictured taking the knee, and why?

A9 Who asked officials to "slow down testing", despite more coronavirus cases being discovered?

A10 Why did police call a man in Vienna, the capital city of Austria, "provocative and uncooperative" and fine him €500 (£453)?

Part B: Pictures What news do these pictures tell us?













Part C: Person

Who is this person, and why is she in the news this week?



Part D: Object

What is this object, and why is it in the news?



Part E: Place

Where in the world have 70% of workers said that they want to continue working from home after the pandemic, as it removes the stress of commuting and means they can live in cheaper homes?



Part F: Statistics What news do these numbers tell us this week?

| F1 40% of children and young people | F2 Usually around 0°C but 25°C on 22 May |
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| F3 17,000 light years away; 6,120 years | F4 3 months; 15 days |
| F5 70% of theatres | F6 143 pieces for every 100m |

Teacher Answers

Part A: Words

A1 Because he has decided to spend it on a repaint of the RAF Voyager plane, to match the colours of the Union Jack flag. 'Painting PM's plane', Bitesize News, page 2

A2 By sending 12 million "leaflets of punishment" to South Korea by balloon. 'Leaflets of punishment', North Korea, World News, page 8

A3 As well as being monitored using cameras, ten red pandas have been fitted with GPS satellite collars, which will tell experts how far the animals travel, where they spend most of their time and what they do all day. 'Panda tracking', Animal News, page 13

A4 Jeans For Genes, a fundraising campaign in September for the children's charity Genetic Disorders UK. Hayden has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, a progressive and life-limiting muscular degenerative disease. The campaign helps to rase money for research into a cure for this disease. 'Ellie and Hayden', Jeans For Genes, page 22

A5 She won the Foyle Young Poets of the Year Award last October, and writes about her experience of lockdown in this week's news. 'Young poet winner', Your News, page 26

A6 Scientists diluted the blood plasma of the mice with a special solution containing protein and salts. The experiment led to the brain, liver and muscles in the mice improving. 'Living to 100', Science News, page 9

A7 The Government's £1bn fund to help pupils in England catch up after missing so much school during the coronavirus pandemic. 'School catch-up plan', Big News, page 7

A8 Arsenal striker Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang before the Premier League match against Manchester City, as part of a show of support for the Black Lives Matter movement. 'The Big Sport Picture', Sport, page 27

A9 President Donald Trump at a rally in Tulsa to kick off his campaign for re-election. A White House official later said that the president was only joking. 'The Big Picture', Game Zone, page 23

A10 Because he farted as police approached him to check his identity. 'A big stinking fine', Crazy but True, page 17

Part B: Pictures

B1 Supporters of the Extinction Rebellion movement lie down after dancing to disco hits during a so-called "Disobedience" protest dance march. News in Pictures, page 4

B2 Oxford University's Oriel College has voted to remove a statue of Cecil Rhodes from the university grounds, following several protests about his role in the British Empire in southern Africa and accusing him of making racist statements. 'Wow!', Big News, page 3

B3 Diego, the 100-year-old giant Galápagos tortoise, who helped to save his species, is retiring from the Galápagos national park breeding program on Santa Cruz to his original habitat on the remote and uninhabited island of Española. 'Go Diego!', Big News, page 7

B4 Archaeologists have discovered a 4,500-year-old, 1.2 mile-long circle of shafts near Stonehenge, which perhaps guided people to the Durrington Walls henge or may have warned people against entering it. 'Prehistoric find', Bitesize News, page 2

B5 Burnley FC apologised after a small group of fans flew a plane with a banner reading "White Lives Matter" during a football match against Man City. 'Bad week for... Burnley FC', Big News, page 5

B6 Twelve-year-old Keedron Bryant has landed a record deal, after his song, I Just Wanna Live, about the fears of being a young African-American went viral. 'Young star signed', Bitesize News, page 2

Part C: Person

Who is this person, and why is she in the news this week? It's human rights campaigner and Nobel Peace Prize winner Malala Yousafzai. She is pictured celebrating finishing her degree in politics, philosophy and economics at Oxford University. News in Pictures, page 4

Part D: Object

What is this object, and why is it in the news? It's the rainbow LGBT Pride flag, which has had extra colours added to its original rainbow design to highlight the fight against racism and the fight for transgender rights. 'Did you know?', Big News, page 3

Part E: Place

Where in the world have 70% of workers said that they want to continue working from home after the pandemic, as it removes the stress of commuting and means they can live in cheaper homes? Japan. 'Working from home', World News, page 8

Part F: Statistics

What news do these numbers tell us this week?

F1 40% of children and young people – surveyed by the National Literacy Trust, said that writing creatively helped them deal with any negative feelings that the coronavirus pandemic might have caused. 'Creative writing on the rise', Big News, page 3

F2 Usually around 0°C but 25°C on 22 May – That was the unseasonable daytime temperature for Khatanga, one of the most northern areas in Russia, and just one of the alarming temperature rises (recently linked to wildfires, a huge oil spill and a plague of treeeating moths) in the polar region. 'Siberian heatwave', Russia, World News, page 8

F3 17,000 light years away; 6,120 years – According to Professor Christopher Conselice and his team of astrophysicists at Nottingham University, the nearest likely location of an intelligent life form is 17,000 years away. It would take 6,120 years for a two-way communication between humans on Earth and aliens on that planet. 'Meet the aliens', Science News, page 9

F4 3 months; 15 days – After Argentina banned flights due to the coronavirus epidemic, Juan Manuel Ballestero spent three months sailing across the Atlantic from Portugal to see his elderly parents in Argentina, and will see them after quarantining on his boat for 15 days! 'Sailing the Atlantic', World News, page 8

F5 70% of theatres – will run out of money by the end of 2020 and be forced to close permanently, according to research by UK Theatre and The Society of London Theatre. 'Save our theatres', Big News, page 7

F6 143 pieces for every 100m – On average, 143 pieces of plastic and polystyrene were found for every 100m of beach in last year's Great British Beach Clean! 'Stop plastic pollution!', Special Report, page 10