Gen Z Era Trivia

Use this key to check answers and read the explanations.

1. Which mobile game did Niantic release in Australia, New Zealand, and the United States in July 2016?

A. Pokémon GO
B. Minecraft Earth
C. Among Us
D. Clash Royale

Correct answer: A. Pokémon GO
Niantic announced that Pokémon GO was available on the App Store and Google Play in those three countries on July 6, 2016.

2. Which artist won Best Pop Vocal Album for Future Nostalgia at the 2021 Grammy Awards?

A. Billie Eilish
B. Ariana Grande
C. Dua Lipa
D. Taylor Swift

Correct answer: C. Dua Lipa
The Recording Academy lists Dua Lipa as the 2021 winner in that category for Future Nostalgia.

3. What did Apple call the touchscreen tablet it introduced in January 2010?

A. iPod touch
B. iPad
C. MacBook Air
D. iPhone 4

Correct answer: B. iPad
Apple announced the iPad on January 27, 2010. Its touchscreen supported apps for reading, browsing, and media.

4. Which system did Nintendo release Animal Crossing: New Horizons for in March 2020?

A. Wii
B. Nintendo 3DS
C. Wii U
D. Nintendo Switch

Correct answer: D. Nintendo Switch
Nintendo records March 20, 2020, as the release date for Animal Crossing: New Horizons on Nintendo Switch.

5. Who directed the 2023 film Barbie?

A. Sofia Coppola
B. Greta Gerwig
C. Ava DuVernay
D. Chloé Zhao

Correct answer: B. Greta Gerwig
The film’s official credits identify Greta Gerwig as its director and co-writer.

6. When Instagram launched Stories in 2016, how long did a photo or video shared there stay visible by design?

A. 24 hours
B. 12 hours
C. 48 hours
D. One week

Correct answer: A. 24 hours
Instagram’s launch announcement said photos and videos shared to Stories would disappear 24 hours after posting.

7. Which BTS single gave the group its first No. 1 on the U.S. Billboard Hot 100 in 2020?

A. Permission to Dance
B. Life Goes On
C. Butter
D. Dynamite

Correct answer: D. Dynamite
Billboard’s September 2020 chart coverage identifies ‘Dynamite’ as BTS’s first single to top the Hot 100.

8. Which film won the Animated Feature Film award at the 2019 Oscars?

A. Isle of Dogs
B. Incredibles 2
C. Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse
D. Ralph Breaks the Internet

Correct answer: C. Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse
The Academy records Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse as the winner. The ceremony honored films released in 2018.

9. At which theater did Hamilton open on Broadway in August 2015?

A. Richard Rodgers Theatre
B. Gershwin Theatre
C. New Amsterdam Theatre
D. Winter Garden Theatre

Correct answer: A. Richard Rodgers Theatre
The Broadway League’s production record lists the Richard Rodgers Theatre and gives August 6, 2015, as the Broadway opening date.

10. Which emoji did Oxford Dictionaries name its 2015 Word of the Year?

A. Grinning Face
B. Thinking Face
C. Smiling Face with Heart-Eyes
D. Face with Tears of Joy

Correct answer: D. Face with Tears of Joy
Oxford Dictionaries selected the Face with Tears of Joy emoji for its 2015 Word of the Year.

11. An event timeline puts the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics in July 2020. Which revision fixes the date and preserves the official name?

A. Keep Tokyo 2020 and place the opening in July 2022.
B. Rename it Tokyo 2021 and place the opening in July 2021.
C. Keep Tokyo 2020 and place the opening in July 2021.
D. Rename it Tokyo 2021 and keep the opening in July 2020.

Correct answer: C. Keep Tokyo 2020 and place the opening in July 2021.
The IOC’s revised schedule retained the title Tokyo 2020. The Games ran from July 23 to August 8, 2021.

12. Which timeline correctly pairs the James Webb Space Telescope launch and the public unveiling of its first full-color image?

A. Launched in 2020, first full-color image unveiled in 2021.
B. Launched in 2021, first full-color image unveiled in 2022.
C. Launched in 2022, first full-color image unveiled in 2022.
D. Launched in 2021, first full-color image unveiled in 2023.

Correct answer: B. Launched in 2021, first full-color image unveiled in 2022.
NASA dates Webb’s launch to December 25, 2021. Its first full-color image was unveiled publicly on July 11, 2022.

13. Argentina won the 2022 men’s FIFA World Cup, and France’s Kylian Mbappé won the Golden Boot. Which explanation fits both results?

A. Argentina won in regular time, and the Golden Boot counted only the goals scored in the final.
B. France won the final on penalties, and Mbappé scored the most goals across the tournament.
C. Argentina won the final on penalties, and the Golden Boot recognized the best goalkeeper.
D. Argentina won the final on penalties, and Mbappé scored the most goals across the tournament.

Correct answer: D. Argentina won the final on penalties, and Mbappé scored the most goals across the tournament.
Argentina won the final in a penalty shootout. Mbappé led the tournament with eight goals and received the Golden Boot.

14. Which sequence correctly distinguishes Twitch’s launch year from the year Amazon announced an agreement to acquire it?

A. Launch in 2011, agreement announced in 2014.
B. Launch in 2011, agreement announced in 2016.
C. Launch in 2014, agreement announced in 2014.
D. Launch in 2014, agreement announced in 2016.

Correct answer: A. Launch in 2011, agreement announced in 2014.
Amazon’s August 2014 release announces the deal and dates Twitch’s launch as a live-video service for gamers to June 2011.

15. In the 2021 Eurovision final, Italy earned 206 jury points and 318 public points. France had 499 points in total. What combined score and winning margin does that give Italy?

A. 514 points and a 15-point lead
B. 524 points and a 19-point lead
C. 524 points and a 25-point lead
D. 530 points and a 31-point lead

Correct answer: C. 524 points and a 25-point lead
Italy’s two scores add to 524. Subtracting France’s 499 points gives a margin of 25.