

EUROVISION SONG CONTEST 2023

QUIZ QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Round 1: General Eurovision Knowledge

Q1. In what year did the Eurovision Song Contest (then known as the Eurovision Song Contest Grand Prix) start?

- ☐ a. 1951
- ☐ b. 1953
- ☒ c. 1956
- ☐ d. 1958

Q2. Which country won the most recent contest in 2019?

- ☐ a. Sweden
- ☐ b. Norway
- ☐ c. Israel
- ☒ d. Netherlands

Q3. How many times has the United Kingdom won the Eurovision Song Contest?

- ☐ a. 1
- ☐ b. 3
- ☒ c. 5
- ☐ d. 7

Q4. How many times has the United Kingdom hosted the Eurovision Song Contest?

- ☐ a. 5
- ☐ b. 6
- ☐ c. 7
- ☒ d. 9

The United Kingdom has hosted the Eurovision Song Contest 9 times (if we include upcoming Liverpool 2023), stepping in to stage the event when others were unable to do so.

Q5. Which country has won the most times?

- ☐ a. Sweden
- ☐ b. United Kingdom
- ☐ c. Luxembourg
- ☒ d. Ireland

Ireland won 7 times; Sweden 6; UK & Luxembourg both won 5 times, as have France and Netherlands



Q6. If you include coming last in finals and semi-finals (since 2004), which two countries tie for coming last the most times?

- ☐ a. France & Belgium
- ☒ b. Finland & Norway
- ☐ c. Iceland & Belarus
- ☐ d. Portugal & Austria

Finland & Norway have each come last in either a semi final or a final 11 times

Q7. Which country did Celine Dion represent in 1988?

- ☐ a. Belgium
- ☐ b. France
- ☐ c. Luxembourg
- ☒ d. Switzerland

Q8. In which year did famous interval act, Riverdance, appear?

- ☐ a. 1993
- ☒ b. 1994
- ☐ c. 1995
- ☐ d. 1996



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- Q9.** On which song competition was Eurovision based?
- ☒ a. Sanremo Music Festival, Italy
 - ☐ b. Melodiefestivalen, Sweden
 - ☐ c. Dansk Melodi Grand Prix, Denmark
 - ☐ d. Sopot International Song Festival, Poland

- The Sanremo Music Festival has been held every year since 1951.
- The Dansk Melodi Grand Prix started in 1957. It's the annual contest to choose the Danish Eurovision entry.
- Melodiefestivalen started in 1959 and is the contest to choose Sweden's Eurovision entry.
- The Sopot International Song Festival began in 1961 and was developed into the Intervision Song Contest, the Eastern Bloc's version of Eurovision which ran from 1977-1980. Vladimir Putin attempted to revive the contest in 2008.

- Q10.** What is the current maximum time for songs, introduced in 1960?
- ☐ a. 3½ minutes
 - ☒ b. 3 minutes
 - ☐ c. 4 minutes
 - ☐ d. 4½ minutes

The first contest in 1956 had a recommended 3½ min maximum song length. Italy's song in 1957 was over 5 minutes long which led to the introduction of a mandatory 3-minute maximum

Round 2: Eurovision Winners

- Q1.** Which artist won the UK's first Eurovision title in 1967?
- ☐ a. Lulu
 - ☐ b. Cliff Richard
 - ☒ c. Sandie Shaw
 - ☐ d. Matt Monro

Lulu won in 1969 and Matt Monro came second in 1964

- Q2.** Which country was first to win the Eurovision Song Contest two years in a row?
- ☐ a. Ireland
 - ☐ b. Israel
 - ☒ c. Spain
 - ☐ d. Luxembourg

Spain won in 1968 & 69; Luxembourg won in 1972 & 73; Israel won in 1978 & 79; and Ireland won in 1992, 93 & 94.

- Q3.** Which performer was first to win two Eurovision titles?
- ☐ a. Cliff Richard
 - ☐ b. Dana
 - ☒ c. Johnny Logan
 - ☐ d. Izhar Cohen

Johnny Logan won for Ireland in 1980 and 1987. He also wrote the winning songs in 1987 & 1992.

- Q4.** Which one of the following was a winning entry for the UK?
- ☐ a. Gina G's "Ooh Aah... Just A Little Bit"
 - ☐ b. Cliff Richard's "Congratulations"
 - ☒ c. Lulu's "Boom Bang-a-Bang"
 - ☐ d. Olivia Newton-John's "Long Live Love"

- Cliff Richard entered Eurovision twice, with "Congratulations" in 1968 (coming second by one point) and in 1973 with "Power To All Our Friends", which came third.
- Gina G came 8th in 1996 and Olivia Newton-John came 4th in 1974

- Q5.** With which song did ABBA win the contest in 1974?
- ☒ a. Waterloo
 - ☐ b. Mamma Mia
 - ☐ c. Take A Chance On Me
 - ☐ d. Dancing Queen

- Q6.** Which country won the Eurovision Song Contest in 1969?
- ☒ a. France
 - ☒ b. Netherlands
 - ☒ c. Spain
 - ☒ d. United Kingdom

- All of the above. 1969 produced a 4-way tie for 1st place. Since there was no procedure for a tiebreak, all four songs are deemed to have won. This was Spain's second win in a row. Lulu represented the UK. The contest was held in the Netherlands the following year.
- Austria, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Portugal and Sweden boycotted the 1970 contest in protest at the result and the voting structure.

- Q7.** Which country won the first ever Eurovision Song Contest in 1956?
- ☐ a. France
 - ☐ b. Belgium
 - ☐ c. Luxembourg
 - ☒ d. Switzerland

Switzerland hosted the competition at Lugano. Each of the 7 participating countries submitted two songs. Voting was done in secret by 2-member juries sent to Lugano, but the Luxembourg jury couldn't make it so Switzerland voted for Luxembourg. Nobody knows exactly how the vote went, just that Switzerland won...

- Q8.** How many of Luxembourg's five winning performers were born in Luxembourg?
- ☐ a. Three
 - ☐ b. Five
 - ☐ c. Two
 - ☒ d. None



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Q9. Portugal won the contest in 2017 after a record number of unsuccessful attempts. How many?

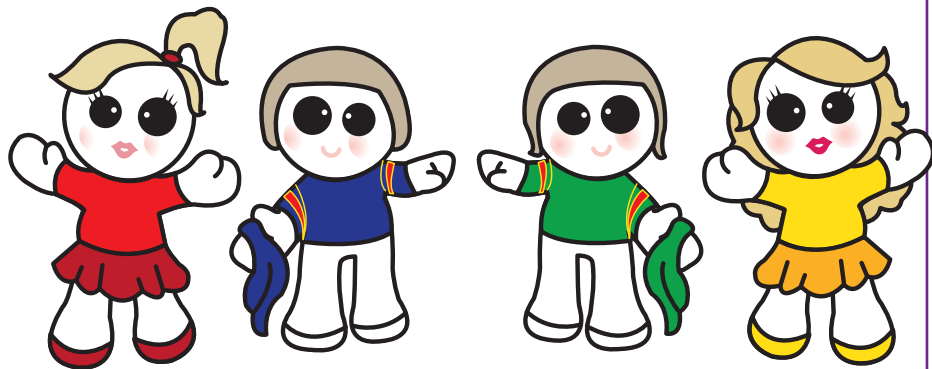
- ☐ a. 19
- ☐ b. 29
- ☐ c. 39
- ☒ d. 49

Q10. In what year was the UK's last winning entry?

- ☐ a. 1981
- ☒ b. 1997
- ☐ c. 1998
- ☐ d. 2003

• The UK won with Buck's Fizz in 1981 and with Katrina & The Waves in 1997. Imaani came second for the UK in 1998.

• In 2003, Jemini came last for the UK with no points. It remains the UK's worst Eurovision result.



• Ireland has held the competition in Dublin 6 times and Millstreet once.

• Sweden has held the competition in Stockholm 4 times, Malmö twice and Gothenburg once.

Q4. During Israel's performance in 1978, what did the Jordanian state broadcaster, JRTV cut to?

- ☐ a. A news programme
- ☐ b. Footage from the previous year's contest
- ☒ c. Pictures of flowers
- ☐ d. The Jordanian National Anthem

After Israel performed, JRTV returned to the programme, but when it became obvious Israel would win that year, they abruptly cut the show during the voting process and later announced that second-placed Belgium had won.

Q5. Which country competed only once in the competition, in 1980?

- ☐ a. Andorra
- ☐ b. USSR
- ☐ c. San Marino
- ☒ d. Morocco

Morocco came 18th out of 19. The King of Morocco decreed they wouldn't enter again due to their poor performance and the presence of Israel in the competition.

Round 3: Eurovision Trivia & Controversy

Q1. Which country's revolution's secret code was the airing on national radio of their Eurovision entry for that year, triggering the start of a coup?

- ☐ a. Spain
- ☒ b. Portugal
- ☐ c. Greece
- ☐ d. Yugoslavia

The "Carnation Revolution" of 1974 was a (mostly) non-violent military coup that eventually brought democracy to Portugal. The coup had two secret signals. The first was the airing of Portugal's Eurovision entry on a national radio station (3 weeks after the competition).

Q2. Which of the following Eurovision legends represented their country of birth in the given year?

- ☐ a. Victor Crone, Estonia, 2019
- ☒ b. Olivia Newton-John, United Kingdom, 1974
- ☐ c. Romauld Figuiet, Luxembourg, 1969
- ☐ d. Romauld Figuiet, Monaco, 1964 & 1974

Victor Crone was born in Sweden. Romauld Figuiet was born in France and represented both Monaco and Luxembourg. Although Olivia Newton-John is Australian, she was born in Cambridge and moved to Australia when she was 6.

Q3. Which city has hosted the Eurovision Song Contest the most times?

- ☐ a. London
- ☒ b. Dublin
- ☐ c. Stockholm
- ☐ d. Luxembourg City

• Dublin has hosted Eurovision 6 times; London & Luxembourg have hosted 4 times each and Stockholm has hosted 3 times.

• Although the UK has hosted more times than Ireland, the competition has been held in Edinburgh, Brighton, Harrogate and Birmingham as well as London.

Q6. Which five-time Eurovision winning country hasn't competed in the competition since 1993?

- ☐ a. Ireland
- ☐ b. Sweden
- ☒ c. Luxembourg
- ☐ d. Italy

Q7. How many points did the UK give ABBA's song 'Waterloo' in 1974?

- ☐ a. 12
- ☐ b. 5
- ☐ c. 2
- ☒ d. 0



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Q8. Eurovision had a live orchestra up until 1998. Only 3 women have ever conducted the orchestra for 3 countries' entries. One woman has conducted twice, in 1973 and 1978. For which country?

- ☐ a. Sweden
- ☐ b. Switzerland
- ☐ c. Netherlands
- ☒ d. Israel

Nurit Hirsh conducted the orchestra and wrote the music for the Israeli entries in '73 and '78. In '78 her song A-Ba-Ni-Bi won.

Q9. Which country was expelled from Eurovision in 2016 due to unpaid debts to the EBU?

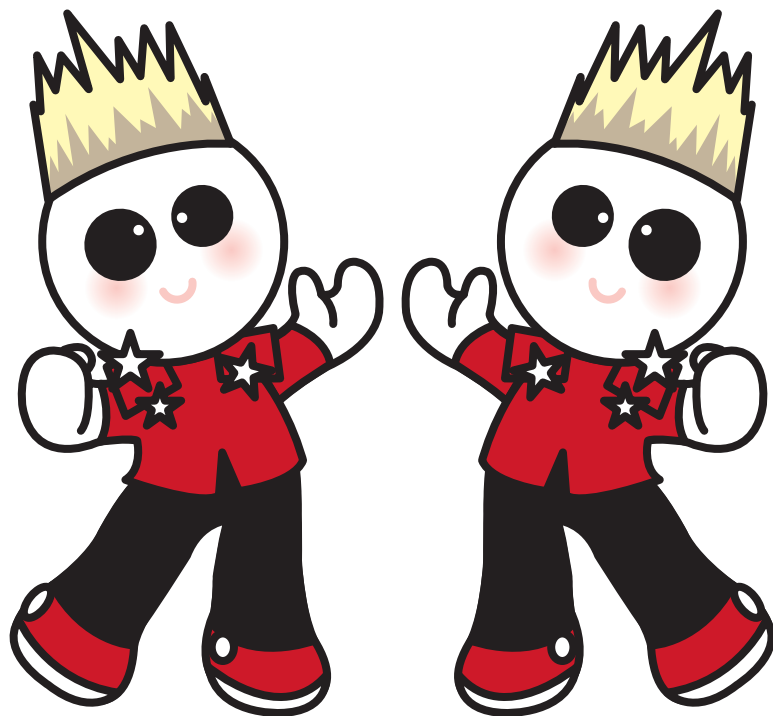
- ☐ a. Italy
- ☐ b. Ireland
- ☒ c. Romania
- ☐ d. Russia

Romania was disqualified in 2016 (after having already chosen their song) but returned to the competition the next year.

Q10. What is the maximum number of people allowed on stage during a performance at Eurovision?

- ☐ a. 3
- ☐ b. 5
- ☒ c. 6
- ☐ d. 8

From 1957 to 1970 only soloists and duos were allowed on stage. From 1963, a chorus of up to three people was permitted. Since 1971, a maximum of six performers have been permitted on the stage.



Round 4: Eurovision Royalty Picture Round

Q1. What member of Eurovision Royalty, who died in March 2018, was the main presenter of the Eurovision Song Contest when it was held in the UK 4 times between 1960 and 1974?

- ☐ a. Katie Price
- ☐ b. Susan Boyle
- ☒ c. Katie Boyle
- ☐ d. Susan Price



Q2. Terry Wogan provided commentary for BBC Television between 1971 and 2008. When handing over to Graham Norton, until when did he advise holding off drinking?

- ☐ a. Song five
- ☒ b. Song nine
- ☐ c. Until the interval act
- ☐ d. Until the fat lady sings



Viewers are encouraged by the BBC commentators to raise a toast to Terry Wogan during song 9 every year.

Q3. What is the name of the Executive Supervisor of the Eurovision Song Contest since 2011 (retiring this year), who famous for overseeing the voting and saying "take it away!" to the presenters?

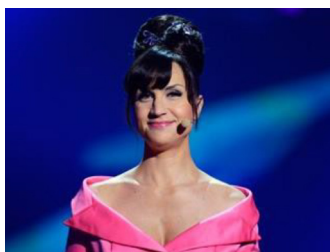
- ☐ a. Jens Stoltenberg
- ☐ b. Jens Spahn
- ☒ c. Jon Ola Sand
- ☐ d. Jon Olsson



Jens Stoltenberg is Secretary General of NATO and former Prime Minister of Norway. Jens Spahn is German Health Minister. Jon Olsson is a Swedish professional skier.

Q4. What is the name of the Swedish Television presenter and comedian who hosted the Eurovision Song Contest in 2013 & 2016?

- ☐ a. Petra Martić
- ☒ b. Petra Mede
- ☐ c. Petra Kvitová
- ☐ d. Petra Marklund



Petra Martić (Croatian) and Petra Kvitová (Czech) are both professional tennis players. Petra Marklund (formerly known as "September") is a professional singer from Sweden.

Q5. Who is this Eurovision-winning trio of brothers?

- ☐ a. UK act: Brotherhood of Man
- ☐ b. Swedish act: ABBA
- ☐ c. Israeli act: Izar Cohen & the Alphabeta
- ☒ d. Swedish act: Herreys



Herreys won in 1984 with the song "Diggy-Loo, Diggy-Ley"

Q6. Who is this Eurovision winner from the 1960s?

- ☐ a. France Gall, (Luxembourg, 1961)
- ☐ b. Lulu, (UK, 1969)
- ☒ c. Sandie Shaw, (UK, 1967)
- ☐ d. Udo Jürgens (Austria, 1966)



Q7. Who is this? She won Eurovision in 1992 and came second in 1984.

- ☐ a. Nicole, Germany
- ☐ b. Sandra Kim, Belgium
- ☒ c. Linda Martin, Ireland
- ☐ d. Riva, Yugoslavia



Q8. This was the flag of which country when they won Eurovision in 1989?

- ☐ a. Netherlands
- ☐ b. Luxembourg
- ☒ c. Yugoslavia
- ☐ d. Russia



Q9. Who is this Eurovision winner from 1998?

- ☐ a. Dana, Ireland
- ☐ b. Conchita Wurst, Austria
- ☒ c. Dana International, Israel
- ☐ d. Charlotte Nilsson, Sweden



Q10. Who is this colourful Eurovision character (in the centre)?

- ☐ a. Guildo Horn, Germany
- ☐ b. Cliff Richard, UK
- ☐ c. Doris Dragović, Croatia
- ☒ d. Verka Serduchka, Ukraine



If you were paying attention in Round 4, this one was easy