

# Famous Women - Quiz Questions with Answers

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1. Which British Queen ruled for over 60 years?
2. Name the Empress of Russia who ruled from 1762-96.
3. (a) About who was it said "Age cannot wither her nor custom stale her infinite variety"?  
(b) Whose face "launched a thousand ships"?
4. Although blind, deaf and dumb, she graduated from college and achieved high distinction as a writer and scholar. Who was she?
5. Name the women who became Prime Minister of:  
(a) Sri Lanka  
(b) Israel  
(c) Britain  
(d) Pakistan  
(e) India  
(f) Ireland
6. (a) For what treacherous action is Delilah notorious?  
(b) Which demoness tried to tempt Rama and Lakshmana?
7. (a) This Japanese became the first woman in the world to scale Mount Everest.  
(b) This young Indian was the First woman to scale Mount Everest in 1984.
8. (a) Who was the first woman to make a Solo Flight from England to Australia?  
(b) Who became the first Asian woman to sail around the world?
9. This "lark" has made a mark in the world of playback singing for films in India.
10. As what is Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu better known?
11. In which sphere of arts was each of the following renowned?  
(a) Anna Pavlova  
(b) M.S. Subbulakshmi  
(c) Sheila Gujral  
(d) Samantha Fox
12. (a) What was the name of the woman who organized the "Women's Social and Political Union" in 1905 in England?  
(b) Under what name did Dutch-born Gertrude Zelle, World War I spy, operate?
13. (a) Who was Julius Caesar's wife at the time of his death?  
(b) Which French Peasant became "a heroine and a saint"?
14. Who was the first film star to appear on a postage stamp?
15. (a) What was the name of the British Queen who led a rebellion against the Romans?  
(b) What was the name of the Indian Queen who led a revolt against the British in 1857?
16. Who was the daughter of a Pope and sister of one of the cruelest figures in Renaissance Italy?
17. Married on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945, she committed suicide on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1945. Who was she?
18. Who started the Girl Guides Movement?
19. Marie Grasholtz's exhibition has become a landmark in London. What is she better known as?
20. This woman was the first in Europe to take tobacco in a mixture of snuff.

## Answers

1. Queen Victoria
2. Catherine II, the Great
3. (a) Cleopatra  
(b) Helen of Troy
4. Helen Keller
5. (a) Sirimavo Bandaranaike  
(b) Golda Meir  
(c) Margaret Thatcher  
(d) Benazir Bhutto  
(e) Indira Gandhi  
(f) Mary Robinson
6. (a) For cutting Samson's hair in which his strength lay  
(b) Surpanakha
7. (a) Junko Tabai  
(b) Bacchendri Pal
8. (a) Amy Johnson  
(b) Ujwala Patil
9. Lata Mangeshkar
10. Mother Teresa
11. (a) Ballet  
(b) Carnatic Music  
(c) Painting  
(d) Pop music
12. (a) Emmeline Pankhurst  
(b) Mata Hari
13. (a) Calpurnia  
(b) Joan of Arc
14. Grace Kelly, who became Princess Grace of Monaco on her marriage to Prince Rainier III of Monaco.  
A special stamp was issued in her honor at their first wedding anniversary.
15. (a) Boadicea  
(b) Rani Laxmi Bai of Jhansi
16. Lucrezia Borgia
17. Eva Braun, married Adolf Hitler on the 29<sup>th</sup> April, 1945, and committed suicide with him the next day.
18. Lady Agnes Baden-Powell in 1910
19. Madame Tussaud
20. Catherine de Medici