

CTF 2021 quiz answers

No prizes, just for fun!

Geography

- 1) The Road of Bones gets its name from the estimated 250,000 - 1,000,000 people who died while constructing it, whose bones are laid beneath or around the road. In which country is it found? **Russia**
- 2) The '90 mile straight' is a famous kink-free stretch of road in which country? And for a bonus point, on which road is it found? **Australia, Eyre Highway**
- 3) This cyclists' paradise is an archipelago which is an autonomous region of Finland but the inhabitants speak Swedish. The capital is Mariehamn. Name it. **Aland Islands**
- 4) I'm cycling from Hamburg to Cuxhaven. Which river am I following? **Elbe**
- 5) Which cycle route starts in Donaueschingen (Germany) and passes through Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest? **Danube Cycle Path**

Hill climbs

Name the classic UK climb.

- 1) Fat vats **Buttertubs**
- 2) Pass of the Cattle **Bealach Na Ba**
- 3) Parcel Mountain **Box Hill**
- 4) Horned African animal has the ticket **Wrynose Pass**
- 5) Stuff your face on cheese **Cheddar Gorge**

Music

- 1) According to Katie Melua, there are 9 million bicycles in which Chinese city? **Beijing**
- 2) Which singer is gonna to ride (his) bike until (he) gets home? **Mark Ronson**
- 3) I want to ride my bicycle...sang who? **Queen**
- 4) The Rumblestrips wished their bike was a _____? **Motorcycle**
- 5) What would Daisy look sweet on? **The seat of a bicycle made for two**

Touring bikes anagrams

The following are all anagrams of popular touring bikes. Unscramble them.

- 1) Weads Yaxalg **Dawes Galaxy**
- 2) Nolg Ulah Krrutce **Long Haul Trucker**
- 3) Ronht Venar **Thorn Raven**
- 4) Noak Raust **Kona Sutra**

5) Cakedgbri Manaropa **Ridgeback Panorama**

History

1) Which of these is NOT a name used for an early bicycle-type machine

- a) Velocipede
- b) Hobby-horse
- c) Draisine
- d) Horseless carriage
- e) **Wheely good invention**
- f) Running machine
- g) Boneshaker

2) The first commercially sold bicycle appeared for sale in 1868 in Paris. How much did it weigh? **80 kg**

3) A *New York Times* article once gushed that “the bicycle promises a splendid extension of personal power and freedom, scarcely inferior to what wings would give.” Guess the year? **1896**

4) Fred A. Birchmore was an early cycle touring pioneer, who rode his bicycle around the world. He pedaled for 25,000 miles and traveled the other 15,000 miles by boat. How many sets of tires did he wear out? **7**

5) One of the most important discoveries in the history of bicycles was pneumatic tires, but who invented them? **Controversial one here, the common answer is John Boyd Dunlop but actually he reinvented them as the pneumatic tyre was in fact patented by one of Scotland's most prolific, but now largely forgotten, inventors, Robert William Thomson on 10 December 1845, some 43 years before John Dunlop's re-invention. You can have a point for either though.**

Record Breakers

Can you match these World Record breaking feats with the correct distances?

1. Longest distance cycling backwards in 24 hours	1E	A. 31.80 km
2. Greatest distance cycled (no hands)	2D	B. 6,708 m
3. Farthest distance cycled underwater	3B	C. 30,321.18 m

4. Farthest distance cycled with one leg in one hour	4A	D. 122 km
5. The most vertical metres cycled in 48 hours	5C	E. 337.60 km

Name the author

- 1) Who wrote "Around The World on a Bicycle", published in 1887? **Thomas Stevens**
- 2) Who rode from Ireland to India a bike they called Rocinante ("Roz" for short), after Don Quixote's horse? **Dervla Murphy**
- 3) Which author gave up their job as a headteacher and aged 54, having not ridden a bike for more than 30 years, rode 12,000 miles around the world? **Anne Mustoe**
- 4) Who has wind in their wheels and sun in their eyes? **Josie Dew**
- 5) Who journeyed to the centre of the earth on their bike (according to their definition, the furthest place on earth from the sea)? **Nicholas Crane**

*****BONUS QUESTION*****

Tsugunobu Mitsuishi of Japan set a World Record for slow cycling in 1965.

Guess how far he travelled in his 5 hour and 25 minutes journey? **No distance at all...totally stationary for 5 hours 25min!**