

# Weekly Quiz - Answers

- What did Prince Harry and Meghan announce last week?
  - They are having another baby - A spokesperson for the couple said in a statement: "We can confirm that Archie is going to be a big brother. The Duke and Duchess of Sussex are overjoyed to be expecting their second child." The baby will be eighth in line to the British throne.
- What could have left thousands of US health workers exposed to COVID-19?
  - Fake face masks have been sold to hospitals - US federal agents have seized more than 10 million fake N95 masks in recent weeks, the result of an ongoing investigation into counterfeits sold to hospitals, medical facilities and government agencies.
- Who did Jacinda Ardern accuse of ignoring their responsibilities last week?
  - Australia - A woman with dual Australian and New Zealand citizenship had her citizenship cancelled by Australia for belonging to a terrorist group. Ms Ardern said that the woman had lived in Australia since she was six, all of her ties and family connections were in Australia and she left for Syria from Australia using her Australian passport. "Our very strong view on behalf of New Zealanders was that this individual was clearly most appropriately dealt with in Australia," she said.
- True or false, Donald Trump was acquitted (found not guilty), in his recent impeachment trial?
 

True - Trump became the first US President in history to face a second Senate impeachment trial. He was once again acquitted, this time of the charge of inciting an insurrection at the US Capitol on January 6.
- Which of the following statements is true?
  - It was announced last week that everyone is required to wear masks on public transport - Auckland spent three days at Alert Level 3 and the rest of the country at Alert Level 2. When it was announced on Wednesday that the country would move down a stage it came with the requirement that the whole country would have to wear masks on public transport for a while.
- It has been announced that the team involved in the Pike River Mine recovery has gone as far as it can into the mine which collapsed in an explosion in November 2010. Where is the Pike River Mine located?
  - West Coast of the South Island - Twenty-nine miners lost their lives in the disaster. After the explosion the mine was sealed shut, preventing families from finding out what went wrong and whether any remains could be found. In the 2017 election campaign the Labour Party made a commitment to the families of the miners to re-open the mine and investigate.
- Benefit recipients will be allowed to keep more of what they earn at work from April. Currently, how much can someone on the Jobseeker Support benefit earn before their benefit starts getting cut?
  - \$90 a week - Currently, someone on the Jobseeker Support benefit can only earn up to \$90 a week, pre-tax, before their benefit gets cut by 70 cents for every extra \$1 they earn. Under the new rule changes, they'll be able to earn up to \$160 a week before their benefit gets cut by 70 cents for every extra \$1 they earn.
- What is the name of the Kiwi cricketer who won a record contract at the recent IPL cricket auction?
  - Kyle Jamieson - The young Black Caps' star Kyle Jamieson was stunned after going for \$2.86 million at Indian Premier League auction last Thursday. It was a record for a New Zealand cricketer.
- There has been plenty of talk about COVID-19 vaccines as countries around the world start to roll out their vaccination programs. Which of the following companies have NOT produced a COVID-19 vaccine?
  - Unilever - New Zealand's COVID-19 Pfizer vaccination programme began last week with vaccinators and border staff being the first to receive the jab.
- Researchers have found that the amount of wildlife a domestic cat kills, can be reduced by a quarter by ...?
  - Playing with a cat for 10 minutes a day - The study took cats which already regularly hunt and tested a variety of methods hoped to curb that behaviour. It also found cats fed a high meat-protein, grain-free diet brought home a third less prey. Getting cats to solve a puzzle before eating had the reverse effect; they wound up bringing home a third more prey.
- Who did Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison call 'arrogant and disappointing' last week?
  - Facebook - Morrison is standing firm against Facebook over the government's media code, calling the social media giant arrogant and disappointing after it shut down emergency services pages along with Australian news. The Australian Government wants large companies like Google and Facebook to pay local news providers for their content.
- What is New Zealand's latest weapon in the fight against invasive wasps?
  - Two other types of insects - New Zealand has been given the green light given to introduce a beetle and hoverfly from Europe to take on wasps. Wasps interfere with ecosystems as they decimate bee hives and deprive other insects and animals of food sources. The hoverfly and beetle will both target wasp nests.
- What sporting event was held last week in Twizel after a week of uncertainty?
  - The New Zealand Rowing Championships - Almost 1000 rowers in the Mackenzie Basin were in limbo at the start of the week after all of New Zealand after the Government announced the changes in alert levels. Luckily with the drop down in alert levels announced on Wednesday they were able to hold the event.
- Which of the following will people attending the Tokyo Olympics, be discouraged from doing?
  - singing - Singing or chanting will be discouraged at the re-arranged Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics in a bid to safeguard against the spread of coronavirus. Instead, those attending the Olympics - due to begin on 23 July will be encouraged to only clap in order to show support.
- Europe's oldest person, French nun Lucile Randon, overcame coronavirus recently in time to celebrate her ...?
  - 117th birthday - Sister André, is the second-oldest known living person in the world. She tested positive for the virus in mid-January in the southern French city of Toulon.

## VISUAL ANSWERS

- a. Captain Sir Tom Moore** - The Army veteran won the hearts of Britain by walking 100 laps of his garden last spring during the first coronavirus lockdown, raising money for National Health System "Charities Together"
- c. Mars** - The American space agency released the astonishing image sent back from Mars by its Perseverance rover. It shows the robot parachuting down to the ground to make its landing.
- b. Greece** - Unusual weather blanketed the Acropolis with snow last week, turning the iconic site in Athens into a scene from a holiday card. Snow is a rare sight in Athens, but much of Europe has been experiencing unusually frigid temperatures recently.
- South Africa**
- Osaka** - Naomi Osaka has won her fourth Grand Slam, beating Jennifer Brady in the Australian Open final. It is Osaka's fourth title win from eight appearances at a Grand Slam.