

Weekly Quiz - Answers

- On Saturday night Jacinda Ardern announced that Auckland would move to Alert Level 3 for ...?
 - 7 days - Genomic sequencing has revealed that the cases that led to the lockdown were most closely linked to the second family connected to Papatoetoe High School. There are a number of sites that are now listed on the Ministry of Health's Covid website. People who have been to those sites during the times listed are being asked to isolate, contact Healthline and get tested.
- One of New Zealand's recent COVID-19 community cases went to work while they were meant to be isolating. Where did they work?
 - KFC - The Ministry of Health said Case L, worked at KFC Botany Downs between 3.30pm on Monday and 12.30am on Tuesday. Case L is a household contact of cases I, J and K in the Auckland February cluster.
- The Mr Potato Head toy has been in the news lately, why?
 - Mr Potato Head is being renamed Potato Head - Mr Potato Head was first sold in 1952, when it didn't even come with a plastic potato — kids had to supply their own vegetable to poke eyes, a nose or moustache into.
- What does Australia's Victoria, New South Wales, Tasmania and Queensland have in common?
 - They all stopped quarantine-free travel from Auckland last week - Auckland was reclassified as a Covid hotspot by NSW Health after the Papatoetoe High School cluster grew to 11 cases. Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania announced that all Kiwis will be required to quarantine on arrival.
- Mika Vukona has announced he is retiring after a 16-year international career. What sport did he play?
 - Basketball - Five-time NBL champion and two-time Commonwealth Games medallist Mika Vukona announced his retirement last night following the Tall Blacks' loss to the Australian Boomers in Cairns.
- China's President Xi Jinping, has announced a 'complete victory' in a campaign to end rural poverty. China defines extreme rural poverty as anyone earning less than ...?
 - \$2.12 a day - China defines extreme rural poverty as annual income of less than 4,000 yuan (\$777), or about \$2.12 a day per person. Ten years ago 99 million people living in China had a yearly incomes of less than 2,300 yuan (\$446).
- Who released their 'List of Shame' last week?
 - The SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) - The list details the worst cases of animal abuse and neglect and is published yearly ahead of the SPCA's annual fundraising event. The SPCA receives minimal Government funding but requires around \$47 million each year to continue operating.
- Ghana has become the first country in the world to ...?
 - Receive COVID-19 vaccine for free from a global initiative - Around 92 low- and middle-income countries are to receive vaccines for free through the United Nations backed COVAX initiative. The UN plans to deliver close to 2 billion doses of COVAX vaccines around the world this year.
- February 22 saw the 10th anniversary of what?
 - The Christchurch Earthquake - New Zealand paused to mark 10 years since one of the nation's deadliest natural disasters. The 2011 Christchurch earthquake resulted in 185 deaths and changed both Christchurch and New Zealand forever.
- Which city has been announced as the preferred host for 2032 Summer Olympic Games?
 - Brisbane - The International Olympic Committee has announced Brisbane as the preferred choice. It would become the third Australian city to host the Summer Games after Melbourne and Sydney. Paris will host the 2024 Summer Olympics and Los Angeles the 2028 Summer Olympics.
- What percentage of New Zealanders participating in a recent survey, thought that income support should be increased?
 - 69 percent - A survey has found seven out of ten New Zealanders believe the government should increase income support for those on low wages or not in paid work. The Salvation Army has reported that the numbers of people who are having to seek support has been rapidly increasing over the past 5 years.
- What is being called one of Israel's worst ecological disasters?
 - A massive oil spill off their coastline - Israel closed all its Mediterranean beaches until further notice today, days after an offshore oil spill deposited tonnes of tar across more than 160 kilometres of coastline in what officials are calling one of the country's worst ecological disasters. They were not sure what the cause of the spill was.
- What is being used to protect the welfare of greyhounds used in the racing industry in Australia?
 - They are microchipping and tracking the dogs - New South Wales government in Australia announced they will spend \$3.85 million NZD on the e-tracking of registered greyhounds. This would enable the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission to track the location of racing greyhounds for their whole lives. The industry has been facing a lot of criticism over the treatment of the dogs involved.
- US President Joe Biden has declared a major disaster for the state of Texas following which type of weather event?
 - Freezing temperatures - The cold snap claimed the lives of at least 21 people and knocked out power to more than 4 million residents in Texas. The freezing temperatures have shut in about one-fifth of America's oil refining capacity and closed oil and natural gas production across the state.
- Which New Zealand television show is celebrating their 40th year on air?
 - What Now - What Now premiered on Saturday 9 May 1981. It is currently filmed before a live audience at a random school in New Zealand, which is selected every week. It was created by TVNZ producer Rex Simpson as a half hour programme, aimed at promoting healthy leisure activities for children.

VISUAL ANSWERS

- 1. b. New Plymouth** - With a population of a round 57,000, it is the largest settlement in the Taranaki region. It lies on the west coast of the North Island at the foot of the impressive Mt Taranaki.
- 2. b. part of an aircraft** - A United Airlines flight heading from Denver International airport to Honolulu in Hawaii suffered engine failure shortly after take off on Saturday, scattering engine debris across a Colorado city. The plane made a safe landing.
- 3. c. Tiger Woods** - He was driving alone through a sweeping, downhill stretch of road through coastal suburbs of Los Angeles, US, when his SUV struck a sign, crossed over a raised median and two oncoming lanes flipped several times before coming to rest on its side. Its airbags deployed and Woods was still held by his seatbelt. He faces a long road to recovery as the crash caused "significant" injuries to his right leg that required a "long surgical procedure".
- 4. Greece**
- 5. c. Taurua** - In great news for New Zealand netball, Dame Noeline Taurua has re-signed as coach of the Silver Ferns through to the end of the 2023 Netball World Cup. She will guide the Silver Ferns at next year's Commonwealth Games in Birmingham and has the chance to win back-to-back world titles in South Africa the following year.