

90s Nostalgia Quiz

Furbies, dial-up internet, and Saturday morning cartoons. Twenty questions about the decade that ...

Name / Team:

Score:

- 1 What handheld virtual pet toy became a massive fad in 1997?
 - A. Furby
 - B. Tamagotchi
 - C. Gigapet
 - D. Neopets
- 2 What was the name of the Nickelodeon show where kids competed in physical challenges and got slimed?
 - A. All That
 - B. Legends of the Hidden Temple
 - C. Double Dare
 - D. Figure It Out
- 3 Which boy band released the hit album 'Millennium' in 1999?
 - A. NSYNC
 - B. 98 Degrees
 - C. Backstreet Boys
 - D. New Kids on the Block
- 4 What was the name of the sound a computer made when connecting to the internet via phone line in the 90s?
 - A. Broadband hum
 - B. Dial-up modem sound
 - C. Ethernet ping
 - D. Wi-Fi chime
- 5 Which animated TV show featured a baby named Tommy Pickles and his friends?
 - A. Hey Arnold!
 - B. Rugrats
 - C. Doug
 - D. Dexter's Laboratory
- 6 What 1997 movie about a ship disaster became the highest-grossing film of its time?
 - A. The Sixth Sense
 - B. Jurassic Park
 - C. Titanic
 - D. Independence Day
- 7 What was the name of the popular 90s toy that was a furry electronic creature that could 'learn' to speak?
 - A. Tamagotchi
 - B. Tickle Me Elmo
 - C. Furby
 - D. Beanie Baby
- 8 What web search engine, launched in 1998, eventually became the most used website in the world?
 - A. Yahoo
 - B. AltaVista
 - C. Google
 - D. Ask Jeeves
- 9 Which 90s sitcom featured six friends living in New York City and hanging out at a coffee shop called Central Perk?
 - A. Seinfeld
 - B. Friends
 - C. Frasier
 - D. Will & Grace
- 10 What collectible plush toys, filled with plastic pellets instead of stuffing, caused a massive 90s collecting craze?
 - A. Cabbage Patch Kids
 - B. Webkinz
 - C. Beanie Babies
 - D. Build-A-Bear
- 11 What portable music player let 90s kids listen to music by inserting a round optical disc?
 - A. iPod
 - B. Walkman
 - C. Portable CD player (Discman)
 - D. MP3 player

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12 What Nickelodeon game show required kid contestants to navigate an ancient temple to retrieve artifacts?

- A. Double Dare
- B. GUTS
- C. Legends of the Hidden Temple
- D. Nick Arcade

13 What 1993 movie brought dinosaurs to life using groundbreaking special effects?

- A. The Lost World
- B. Jurassic Park
- C. Congo
- D. Godzilla

14 What was the name of the platform video game featuring a blue hedgehog?

- A. Crash Bandicoot
- B. Spyro the Dragon
- C. Sonic the Hedgehog
- D. Mega Man

15 What 90s fashion trend involved wearing jeans with extremely wide legs?

- A. Skinny jeans
- B. Mom jeans
- C. JNCO jeans
- D. Bootcut jeans

16 Which 1999 film popularized the concept of living in a simulated reality and featured a character named Neo?

- A. Fight Club
- B. The Truman Show
- C. The Matrix
- D. Dark City

17 What messaging program with a running man logo and buddy lists was the dominant way to chat online in the late 90s?

- A. Yahoo Messenger
- B. MSN Messenger
- C. AOL Instant Messenger (AIM)
- D. ICQ

18 What 90s candy came in a tube and was marketed with the tagline 'Push Pop'?

- A. Ring Pop
- B. Push Pop
- C. Baby Bottle Pop
- D. Fun Dip

19 Which grunge band's frontman became a symbol of the genre before his death in 1994?

- A. Pearl Jam
- B. Soundgarden
- C. Nirvana
- D. Alice in Chains

20 What was the name of the first widely popular web browser, released in 1994?

- A. Internet Explorer
- B. Netscape Navigator
- C. Mozilla Firefox
- D. Safari

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1. B Tamagotchi

Tamagotchi was a Japanese handheld digital pet that required feeding, cleaning, and playing. Over 82 million units were sold by 2017.

2. C Double Dare

Double Dare, hosted by Marc Summers, combined trivia questions with messy physical challenges. Green slime became Nickelodeon's signature.

3. C Backstreet Boys

The Backstreet Boys' 'Millennium' sold over 1 million copies in its first week and became one of the best-selling albums of all time.

4. B Dial-up modem sound

The distinctive screeching and buzzing of a dial-up modem connecting through a phone line is one of the most recognizable sounds of the 90s. Typical speeds were 56 kilobits

5. B Rugrats

Rugrats ran on Nickelodeon from 1991 to 2004 and followed Tommy Pickles, Chuckie, Phil, Lil, and Angelica on their toddler adventures.

6. C Titanic

James Cameron's Titanic starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet earned over \$1.8 billion worldwide and won 11 Academy Awards.

7. C Furby

Furbies launched in 1998 and were the must-have holiday toy. They spoke 'Furbish' and gradually 'learned' English. Over 40 million were sold in their first three years.

8. C Google

Google was founded by Larry Page and Sergey Brin in September 1998 while they were PhD students at Stanford University.

9. B Friends

Friends ran from 1994 to 2004 and became one of the most popular sitcoms in television history. The final episode was watched by over 52 million viewers.

10. C Beanie Babies

Ty's Beanie Babies became a cultural phenomenon in the mid-90s. Collectors treated certain rare ones as investments, though most lost their speculative value.

11. C Portable CD player (Discman)

The portable CD player (Sony's version was called the Discman) replaced the cassette Walkman as the must-have portable music device of the 90s. Anti-skip technology was a major

12. C Legends of the Hidden Temple

Legends of the Hidden Temple featured teams named after animals (Silver Snakes, Blue Barracudas, etc.) competing in trivia and physical challenges culminating in a temple run.

13. B Jurassic Park

Steven Spielberg's Jurassic Park revolutionized visual effects with its combination of CGI and animatronic dinosaurs. It was the highest-grossing film of 1993.

14. C Sonic the Hedgehog

Sonic the Hedgehog debuted in 1991 on the Sega Genesis and became Sega's mascot. His rivalry with Nintendo's Mario was one of the defining console wars of the 90s.

15. C JNCO jeans

JNCO jeans featured leg openings up to 50 inches wide. They were popular in the mid-to-late 90s, especially in the skateboarding and rave scenes.

16. C The Matrix

The Matrix, directed by the Wachowskis and starring Keanu Reeves, became a cultural touchstone with its 'bullet time' visual effects and philosophical themes about reality.

17. C AOL Instant Messenger (AIM)

AIM launched in 1997 and became the dominant instant messaging platform. The away message became an art form, and the door-opening sound effect is burned into 90s kids'

18. B Push Pop

Push Pops were lollipops in a tube that could be pushed up and capped for later. They were one of many inventive candy designs that defined 90s childhood.

19. C Nirvana

Kurt Cobain fronted Nirvana, whose 1991 album Nevermind brought grunge to the mainstream. His death in April 1994 marked the end of an era in rock music.

20. B Netscape Navigator

Netscape Navigator was the dominant web browser of the mid-90s before Microsoft's Internet Explorer overtook it in the 'browser wars.' Netscape's IPO in 1995 helped launch the