

NBA Trivia

From Michael Jordan to LeBron James, twenty questions about the players, teams, and moments that ...

Name / Team:

Score:

1 How many NBA championships did Michael Jordan win?

- A. Four
- B. Five
- C. Six
- D. Seven

2 Who holds the NBA record for most career points scored?

- A. Michael Jordan
- B. Kobe Bryant
- C. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- D. LeBron James

3 What NBA team has won the most championships in league history?

- A. Los Angeles Lakers
- B. Chicago Bulls
- C. Boston Celtics
- D. Golden State Warriors

4 What is the name of the NBA's championship trophy?

- A. The Vince Lombardi Trophy
- B. The Commissioner's Cup
- C. The Larry O'Brien Trophy
- D. The NBA Cup

5 How many points did Wilt Chamberlain score in a single game, setting the all-time record?

- A. 81
- B. 90
- C. 100
- D. 105

6 Which player is known as 'The King' and wears number 23?

- A. Kevin Durant
- B. Stephen Curry
- C. LeBron James
- D. Kobe Bryant

7 What team drafted Kobe Bryant in 1996?

- A. Los Angeles Lakers
- B. Charlotte Hornets
- C. Philadelphia 76ers
- D. Chicago Bulls

8 Which point guard is famous for the 'no-look pass' and won five championships with the Lakers?

- A. John Stockton
- B. Isiah Thomas
- C. Magic Johnson
- D. Oscar Robertson

9 How many quarters are in a standard NBA game?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. Six

10 What player won the NBA scoring title 10 times, more than anyone in history?

- A. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- B. Kobe Bryant
- C. Michael Jordan
- D. Wilt Chamberlain

11 Which team won 73 games in the 2015-2016 regular season, setting the all-time record?

- A. Chicago Bulls
- B. Los Angeles Lakers
- C. Golden State Warriors
- D. San Antonio Spurs

12 What is the name of the award given to the NBA's best player during the regular season?

- A. Rookie of the Year
- B. Most Valuable Player (MVP)
- C. Player of the Year
- D. Best in Show

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13 What team did Tim Duncan spend his entire 19-year career with?

- A. Dallas Mavericks
- B. Los Angeles Lakers
- C. San Antonio Spurs
- D. Houston Rockets

14 Who is known for his 'Skyhook' shot, one of the most unstoppable moves in basketball history?

- A. Shaquille O'Neal
- B. Hakeem Olajuwon
- C. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- D. Bill Russell

15 What is the NBA's annual All-Star Weekend competition where players show off their best dunks?

- A. The Skills Challenge
- B. The Three-Point Contest
- C. The Slam Dunk Contest
- D. The Rising Stars Challenge

16 What number did Bill Russell, the NBA's greatest winner, make famous with the Boston Celtics?

- A. 33
- B. 32
- C. 6
- D. 34

17 What is a 'triple-double' in basketball?

- A. Scoring 30 or more points
- B. Recording double digits in three statistical categories
- C. Making three consecutive three-pointers
- D. Playing three consecutive games without a foul

18 Which player earned the nickname 'The Answer' and was famous for his crossover dribble?

- A. Chris Paul
- B. Kyrie Irving
- C. Allen Iverson
- D. Derrick Rose

19 How many three-pointers has Stephen Curry made in his career, more than any player in history?

- A. Over 2,000
- B. Over 2,500
- C. Over 3,000
- D. Over 3,700

20 What year was the NBA founded?

- A. 1936
- B. 1946
- C. 1956
- D. 1962

NBA Trivia — Answer Key

1. C Six

Jordan won six championships with the Chicago Bulls (1991-1993, 1996-1998), going 6-0 in the NBA Finals and winning Finals MVP every time.

2. D LeBron James

LeBron James surpassed Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's long-standing record in February 2023, becoming the NBA's all-time leading scorer.

3. C Boston Celtics

The Boston Celtics have won the most NBA championships. The Lakers are a close second.

4. C The Larry O'Brien Trophy

The Larry O'Brien Championship Trophy has been awarded to the NBA Finals winner since 1977. It is named after former NBA Commissioner Larry O'Brien.

5. C 100

Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points for the Philadelphia Warriors against the New York Knicks on March 2, 1962. The record has never been seriously threatened.

6. C LeBron James

LeBron James has been nicknamed 'King James' since high school. He has worn number 23 for most of his career, also wearing number 6 at times.

7. B Charlotte Hornets

The Charlotte Hornets drafted Kobe 13th overall, but he was immediately traded to the Los Angeles Lakers in a pre-arranged deal for center Vlade Divac.

8. C Magic Johnson

Magic Johnson won five titles with the Showtime Lakers in the 1980s. His rivalry with Larry Bird revitalized the NBA.

9. C Four

NBA games consist of four 12-minute quarters for a total of 48 minutes of regulation play. College basketball uses two 20-minute halves.

10. C Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan won the scoring title 10 times (1987-1993, 1996-1998). Wilt Chamberlain is second with seven.

11. C Golden State Warriors

The Golden State Warriors went 73-9 in the 2015-2016 season, breaking the Chicago Bulls' 1995-1996 record of 72-10. However, they lost the Finals to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

12. B Most Valuable Player (MVP)

The NBA Most Valuable Player Award has been given since the 1955-1956 season. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar holds the record with six MVPs.

13. C San Antonio Spurs

Tim Duncan played his entire career with the San Antonio Spurs from 1997 to 2016, winning five championships and earning the nickname 'The Big Fundamental.'

14. C Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's skyhook was a sweeping hook shot released from above his head that was virtually unblockable. He used it throughout his record-setting career.

15. C The Slam Dunk Contest

The Slam Dunk Contest has been held during All-Star Weekend since 1984. Michael Jordan and Dominique Wilkins staged one of the most famous dunk contests in 1988.

16. C 6

Bill Russell wore number 6 and won 11 championships in 13 seasons with the Celtics. The NBA retired number 6 league-wide in his honor after his death in 2022.

17. B Recording double digits in three stat...

A triple-double means recording double digits (10+) in three categories, typically points, rebounds, and assists. Russell Westbrook holds the career record.

18. C Allen Iverson

Allen Iverson was a 6-foot guard who won the 2001 MVP with the Philadelphia 76ers. His crossover on Michael Jordan as a rookie is one of the most iconic plays in NBA history.

19. D Over 3,700

Stephen Curry is the NBA's all-time leader in three-pointers made, surpassing 3,700. He broke Ray Allen's previous record in December 2021 and continues to extend it.

20. B 1946

The NBA was founded as the Basketball Association of America (BAA) in 1946. It merged with the National Basketball League (NBL) in 1949 to form the NBA as we know it.