

February IQ

Are you fond of February? Then you'll love our February IQ quiz.

- Which February event happened most recently?
 - Hattie McDaniel won an Academy Award.
 - The Beatles came to the U.S. for the first time.
 - Ritchie Valens died in a plane crash.
 - John Glenn became the first American to orbit Earth.
- On February 11, 1990, Nelson Mandela was released from prison. He went on to be elected South Africa's _____.
 - President
 - Ambassador to Denmark
 - Prime Minister
 - Chancellor
- Chinese New Year begins on February 12, 2021. It is the Year of the _____.
 - Tiger
 - Ox
 - Rat
 - Dragon
- True or false? February is National Library Lover's Month.
- Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, celebrates Groundhog Day each year on February 2. What is the name of Punxsutawney's famous groundhog?

- Jules Verne was born on February 8, 1828. Which of the following books was **NOT** written by Verne?
 - Around the World in 80 Days*
 - Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea*
 - The War of the Worlds*
 - From the Earth to the Moon*
- How many days are in February this year? _____
- True or false? The Philadelphia Eagles won their first Super Bowl on February 4, 2018.



9. Which February birth flower signifies loyalty and faithfulness?
- A. Violet
 - B. Daisy
 - C. Primrose
 - D. Marigold
10. On February 10, 1846, Brigham Young began leading 1,600 Mormons west. In what state did Young and his followers settle?
- A. Oregon
 - B. Utah
 - C. Arizona
 - D. Nevada
11. True or false? Aquarius runs from February 19 to March 20.
12. On February 2, 1848, Nova Scotia became the first colony of what empire to enjoy complete self-government in domestic affairs?
- A. The French Empire
 - B. The Spanish Empire
 - C. The Russian Empire
 - D. The British Empire
13. Born February 6, 1895, George Ruth was known by what nickname?
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14. February's birthstone, amethyst, was named after the ancient Greek word *methustos*, which means "intoxicated." Which of the following is **NOT** a synonym for *intoxicated*?
- A. Under the influence
 - B. Sober
 - C. Drunk
 - D. Inebriated
15. Born on February 11, 1847, which of the following is credited with inventing the first practical incandescent lightbulb?
- A. Henry Ford
 - B. Alexander Graham Bell
 - C. Thomas Edison
 - D. Nikola Tesla

Answers

1. (B) The Beatles came to the United States for the first time on February 7, 1964. John Glenn became the first American to orbit Earth on February 20, 1962. Ritchie Valens died in a plane crash on February 3, 1959. Hattie McDaniel won an Academy Award for *Gone with the Wind* on February 29, 1940.
2. (A) President. Nelson Mandela was elected South Africa's first Black president in 1994. His daughter, Zindzi Mandela, became South Africa's ambassador to Denmark in 2015.
3. (B) Ox. Chinese New Year ends on February 22.
4. True. Library Lovers' Month celebrates school, public, and private libraries of all types.
5. Phil. His full title is Punxsutawney Phil, Seer of Seers, Sage of Sages, Prognosticator of Prognosticators, and Weather Prophet Extraordinary.
6. (C) *The War of the Worlds*. H. G. Wells wrote *The War of the Worlds*.
7. 28. Last year, February had 29 days because 2020 was a leap year.
8. True. The Philadelphia Eagles had appeared in two previous Super Bowl games, but 2018 was their first win.
9. (A) Violet. Primrose is also a February birth flower and signifies young love or that you can't live without the recipient.
10. (B) Utah. The following year, 2,500 more Mormons came to the Valley of the Great Salt Lake.
11. False. February's zodiac sign, Aquarius, is January 20 to February 18. February's other zodiac sign, Pisces, is February 19 to March 20.
12. (D) The British Empire. James Boyle Uniacke became the attorney general and leader of the new government in Nova Scotia.
13. Babe. Jack Dunn, the owner of the minor-league Baltimore Orioles, became Ruth's guardian so that he could sign up to play baseball professionally. Ruth was only 19 years old, and the law required a guardian's signature. Teammates teased Ruth by calling him "Dunn's new babe," and the nickname "Babe" stuck.
14. (B) Sober. Some ancient Greeks believed wearing amethyst could protect them from getting drunk.
15. (C) Thomas Edison. Edison held over 1,000 patents.