

June IQ

Jump into June with this June IQ quiz.

1. Finish this song lyric from the musical *Carousel*:
"Fresh and alive and gay and young
June is a love song, sweetly _____."
2. What is the Spanish word for June?
 - A. Julio (*HOO-lee-oh*)
 - B. Enero (*ay-NAIR-oh*)
 - C. Junio (*HOO-nee-oh*)
 - D. Juin (*JU-whahn*)
3. True or false? National Paul Bunyan Day is June 28. In the folktales, Paul Bunyan was often accompanied by his big green ox, Babe.
4. When sending someone June's birth flower, the rose, what color signifies love?
 - A. Pink
 - B. White
 - C. Yellow
 - D. Red
5. True or false? June is named after the Roman goddess Juno.
6. Pearl S. Buck was born on June 26, 1892. Which of the following novels earned her a Pulitzer Prize in 1932?
 - A. *A Passage to India*
 - B. *The Great Gatsby*
 - C. *The Good Earth*
 - D. *To Kill a Mockingbird*
7. Venus Williams was born on June 17, 1980. What sport does she play?

8. What June played Timmy's mom, Ruth Martin, on the TV show *Lassie*?
 - A. June Lockhart
 - B. June Squibb
 - C. June Allyson
 - D. June Carter Cash



9. Who was issued a patent for vulcanized rubber on June 15, 1844?
- A. Édouard Michelin
 - B. Charles Goodyear
 - C. Benjamin Goodrich
 - D. Henry Ford
10. Born on June 12, 1930, Jim Nabors played what character on *The Andy Griffith Show*?
- A. Andy Taylor
 - B. Gomer Pyle
 - C. Barney Fife
 - D. Opie Taylor
11. June is one of the few months to claim three different birthstones. Which of the following is **NOT** one of them?
- A. Pearl
 - B. Moonstone
 - C. Emerald
 - D. Alexandrite
12. True or false? June 20, 2021, is the longest day of sunshine in the southern hemisphere.
13. What June holiday celebrates the emancipation of slaves in the U.S.?
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14. George Orwell was born on June 25, 1903. Which of the following was **NOT** something he wrote?
- A. *Animal Farm*
 - B. *1984*
 - C. *Homage to Catalonia*
 - D. *The War of the Worlds*
15. June's zodiac sign Cancer is represented by which of the following?
- A. Twins
 - B. A virgin
 - C. A crab
 - D. Two fish

Answers

1. "Sung." The lyric is from the song "June Is Bustin' Out All Over," written by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II.
2. (C) Junio. *Julio* is July, and *enero* is January in Spanish. *Juin* is French.
3. False. Paul Bunyan was a giant, fictitious lumberjack who had a big blue ox, not a green one.
4. (D) Red. A pink rose conveys happiness, white signifies innocence or purity, and yellow represents jealousy.
5. True. Juno was the wife of Jupiter. Her Greek equivalent was Hera.
6. (C) *The Good Earth*. She was also the fourth woman to win the Nobel Prize for Literature.
7. Tennis. Williams has won seven Grand Slam titles and is a four-time Olympic gold medalist.
8. (A) June Lockhart. Cloris Leachman actually played the role for 28 episodes prior to June Lockhart. Lockhart went on to do 207 episodes from 1958 to 1964.
9. (B) Charles Goodyear. The vulcanization of rubber allowed the material to withstand more extreme temperatures. This revolutionized the rubber industry in the mid-1800s.
10. (B) Gomer Pyle. Jim Nabors went on to star in a spin-off show that centered around his character called *Gomer Pyle: USMC*.
11. (C) Emerald. Emerald is May's birthstone. One of June's birthstones, alexandrite, does have a connection to emeralds. It was discovered in the Russian emerald mines of the Ural Mountains. It is sometimes described as an "emerald by day, ruby by night" because it is made of minerals that appear to change color from a blue-green in daylight to a purplish-red color in incandescent lighting.
12. False. It is the longest day of sunshine in the northern hemisphere. It is the day of the summer solstice.
13. Juneteenth. Juneteenth is celebrated annually on June 19.
14. (D) *The War of the Worlds*. H.G. Wells wrote *The War of the Worlds*.
15. (C) A crab. Cancer birthdays are from June 21 to July 22.