

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	1	Category	2007 AFRICAN CURRENT AFFAIRS
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Order 1

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## FACE OFF

In 2007 in The Hague, a U.N. court tried which nation's former president Charles Taylor for crimes in neighbouring Sierra Leone?

LIBERIA

## BONUS For 20 points

The Hague's International Criminal Court began reviewing alleged crimes by Sam Nujoma, who led which nation to independence in 1990?

NAMIBIA

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Order 2

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## FACE OFF

In August, which 70,000-square-kilometre African lake reached its lowest water level in 83 years?

LAKE VICTORIA

## BONUS For 20 points

That same month, which floating weed in Lake Victoria trapped a ship for four days, forcing a helicopter rescue of the passengers?

WATER HYACINTHS

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Order 3

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## FACE OFF

In September, which African nation won the FIFA Under-17 World Cup for the third time?

NIGERIA

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

In the 2007 World Track and Field Championships:

1. Which African nation finished second overall behind the U.S.?
2. Which Japanese city hosted?

1. KENYA  
2. OSAKA

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Order 4

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## FACE OFF

October 2007 was the 100th anniversary of the founding of which largest Rwandan city?

KIGALI

## BONUS For 20 points

In April, the government of South Sudan announced it would completely rebuild which capital of that provisional breakaway nation?

JUBA

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Game	2	Round	1	Category	CRICKET
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

The only African nation to SOUTH AFRICA make it into the Super Eight at the 2007 World Cup was which host of that event in 2003?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

1. The Final of the 2007 World Cup was played in which easternmost Caribbean nation?
  2. In which capital city that also begins with a "B"?
1. BARBADOS
  2. BRIDGETOWN

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Which name is given to the the worldwide governing body of cricket? INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL

## BONUS For 5 points apiece and a 5 point bonus

The I.C.C. was founded on 15 June, 1909 by officials from which three countries, one each from Oceania, Europe and Africa? AUSTRALIA ENGLAND OR UNITED KINGDOM OR GREAT BRITAIN SOUTH AFRICA

Order 3

## FACE OFF

FAILED - WELSH - MAIDEN MAIDEN OVER  
Which term in cricket refers to an over with no runs scored off the bat?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

After an over, the umpires switch between which two positions? STRIKER'S END OR SQUARE-LEG BOWLER'S END OR STRAIGHT

Order 4

## FACE OFF

The England-South Africa Test series trophy is named for which South African cricket all-rounder and footballer of the 1950's? BASIL D'OLIVEIRA

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

By 1968, D'Oliveira was playing for which English Cricket Club abbreviated M.C.C., itself a governing body of cricket worldwide until 1993? MARYLEBONE CRICKET CLUB

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Game	2	Round	1	Category	THE "E'S" HAVE IT
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

GERMANY - ITALY - SPAIN  
Which European country  
has the international auto  
license plate code of E?

SPAIN  
HOST NOTE:  
*"Spain" in Spanish  
is "España"*

## BONUS For 20 points

Which letter is missing in the  
type of sword spelled  
E-[DASH]-E-E?

P OR EPEE

Order 2

## FACE OFF

BRAIN - LIVER - LUNGS  
An E.E.G. monitors  
electrical waves within  
which human organ?

BRAIN

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which two three-syllable words  
ending in "-gee" name the points  
where the Moon is farthest from  
and nearest to the earth?

APOGEE  
PERIGEE

Order 3

## FACE OFF

2.72 - 3.14 - 7.55  
Which approximates the  
mathematical constant  
known as "e"?

2.72

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

What does the "E" stand for:  
1. In  $E = mc^2$ ?  
2. In E-mail?

1. ENERGY  
2. ELECTRONIC

Order 4

## FACE OFF

BREVE - MACRON - SCHWA  
In linguistics, which names  
the vowel sound  
represented by an upside-  
down "e"?

SCHWA

## BONUS For 5 points apiece

Which four African Union  
members have names beginning  
with E?

EGYPT  
EQUATORIAL  
GUINEA  
ERITREA  
ETHIOPIA

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	2	Category	BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

Which book of the Bible begins "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"?

GENESIS

## BONUS For 5 points apiece and a 5 point bonus

Which three sons of Adam and Eve are mentioned in the Book of Genesis?

CAIN  
ABEL  
SETH

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Which holy month of Islam begins at the first sighting of a crescent moon and ends with the Eid ul-Fitr?

RAMADAN

## BONUS For 20 points

The emigration from Mecca to which "City of The Prophet" marks the beginning of the Islamic calendar?

MEDINA OR  
YATHRIB OR  
AL MADINAH AL-  
MANUWWARAH  
OR MADINAH TUN-  
NABI

Order 3

## FACE OFF

Which two "B" words make up the name given to the explosive event that scientists believe happened at the creation of the universe?

BIG BANG

## BONUS For 20 points

140 MILLION - 1.4 BILLION -  
14 BILLION  
The Big Bang is thought to have occurred how many years ago?

14 BILLION

Order 4

## FACE OFF

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." So begins which Charles Dickens novel set during a revolution begun in 1789?

A TALE OF TWO  
CITIES

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which two European capitals are referred to in the title "A Tale of Two Cities"?

LONDON AND  
PARIS

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	2	Category	FIGURE IT OUT
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

How many corners are there on a cube? 8

## BONUS For 20 points

If you multiply the number of faces on a tetrahedron by the number of faces on a cube, what is the product? 24  
*HOST: That's 4 times 6*

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Which single-digit number is "dos" in Spanish, "zwei" in German, and "deux" in French? TWO

## BONUS For 20 points

Multiply the French number "quatre" by the Italian number "uno" and add the Spanish number "seis", and tell me the result in English. 10  
*HOST: That's 4 times 1, plus 6*

Order 3

## FACE OFF

Multiply the number of sides in a triangle by the number of days in the month of April. What is the result? 90  
*HOST: 3 x 30 = 90*

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

What is the result if you divide the number of protons in a helium atom by the number of protons in a lithium atom? 2/3

Order 4

## FACE OFF

What is the sum of: two-eighths, plus one-fourth, plus one-half? ONE

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

5/12 - 7/22 - 1/2 - 11/100  
Which of these fractions represents:  
1. The largest number?  
2. The smallest number?  
1. 1/2 OR ONE-HALF  
2. 11/100 OR ELEVEN-ONE HUNDRETHS

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	2	Category	SONS AND DAUGHTERS
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

Laurent was assassinated in 2001, and his son, Joseph, succeeded him as president of which African nation?

DRC OR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO OR DR CONGO OR CONGO-KINSHASA

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

1. What is Laurent and Joseph's family name?  
1. KABILA  
2. MOBUTU SESE SEKO
2. Laurent overthrew whom as president of DR Congo?

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Which family name was shared by two former prime ministers of India, Indira and her son Rajiv?

GANDHI

## BONUS For 20 points

Indira Gandhi was also the daughter of which first Indian prime minister?

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU

Order 3

## FACE OFF

Kim Il-Sung was the "Great Leader" and his son, Kim Jong-Il, is the "Dear Leader" of which isolationist nation of northeast Asia?

NORTH KOREA OR DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA  
*PROMPT: If KOREA is answered*

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

1. George W. Bush referred to North Korea, Iraq and Iran as "The Axis of [DASH]".  
1. THE AXIS OF EVIL  
2. NUCLEAR OR ATOMIC WEAPONS
2. In 2007, North Korea closed facilities used to make which type of weapon?

Order 4

## FACE OFF

BECQUEREL - CURIE - RUTHERFORD  
Which names mother and daughter Nobel Prize-winners Marie and Irene?

MARIE AND IRENE CURIE

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

1. Marie Curie's 1903 Nobel Prize was for studies of which natural phenomenon of heavy elements?  
1. RADIOACTIVITY OR RADIATION
2. Curie was the first female professor at which top university in France?  
2. THE SORBONNE OR THE UNIVERSITY OF PARIS

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	3	Category	"TEN-" OR "-TEN"
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

What is the professional sport of sisters Venus and Serena Williams? TENNIS

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which other six-letter word beginning with "ten-" is the opposite of:  
1. Tough?  
2. Landlord?

1. TENDER
2. TENANT

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Which five-letter word ending in "-ten" is the opposite of "seldom"? OFTEN

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which other words ending in "-ten" are:  
1. The opposite of "loosen"?  
2. An alternative to "oral"?

1. TIGHTEN
2. WRITTEN

Order 3

## FACE OFF

Which word ending in "-ten" fills in the dash in this quote from Shakespeare's "Hamlet": "Something is [DASH] in the state of Denmark"? ROTTEN

## BONUS For 20 points

Identify the word ending in "-ten" with the definition:  
1. To impart intellectual or spiritual knowledge.  
2. To give courage or confidence.

1. ENLIGHTEN
2. HEARTEN

Order 4

## FACE OFF

Which chemical element, almost synonymous with light bulb filament, ends in "-ten"? TUNGSTEN

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which word ending in "-ten" is synonymous with:  
1. Speed up?  
2. Bleach?

1. HASTEN
2. WHITEN OR LIGHTEN

# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	3	Category	CAVES
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

East Africa's largest cave system is the Amboni Caves in which E.A.C. country? TANZANIA

## BONUS For 5 points apiece and a 5 point bonus

1. Kitum Cave is a 200-metre ancient lava tube on the slope of which extinct 4,321-metre high volcano? 1. MOUNT ELGON
2. This volcano is on the border of which two E.A.C. Countries? 2. KENYA AND UGANDA

Order 2

## FACE OFF

Early archaeological work in which landlocked nation's Mumbwa caves rocked the scientific world by proving that humanity originated in Africa? ZAMBIA

## BONUS For 20 points

BORNEO - LUZON - SAKHALIN BORNEO  
Sarawak Cavern, with the world's largest cave chamber, is located on which island shared by Malaysia and Indonesia?

Order 3

## FACE OFF

Caves most commonly form in which type of calcium carbonate sedimentary rock? LIMESTONE

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which two words beginning "stala-" name the limestone pinnacles descending from the roof and ascending from the floor of caves? STALACTITES  
STALAGMITES

Order 4

## FACE OFF

SELENOLOGY - SPELEOLOGY  
SEISMOLOGY -  
SPELEOLOGY  
Which is the scientific study of caves?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

- Which nation contains these underwater caves:
1. ITALY
  2. KENYA
1. Capri's Blue Grotto?  
2. The Vuma Caves near Watamu on the Indian Ocean?



# Zain Africa Challenge NQT Questions

Game	2	Round	3	Category	MEDICAL SPECIALTIES
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Order 1

## FACE OFF

BARIATRIC - OBSTETRIC - OBSTETRIC  
PULMONARY

Which type of surgeon delivers babies?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

BRAIN - BLOOD VESSELS - EYES - LUNGS

1. BLOOD VESSELS
2. BRAIN

Which is the specialty of a:

1. Vascular surgeon?
2. Neurosurgeon?

Order 2

## FACE OFF

A hepatologist is a specialist in which large internal organ? LIVER

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

GERONTOLOGIST - NEPHROLOGIST - OSTEOLOGIST - PODIATRIST

1. PODIATRIST
2. GERONTOLOGIST

Which specialises in:

1. Feet?
2. The elderly?

Order 3

## FACE OFF

D.V.M. - J.D. - O.D. O.D.  
Which is a degree held by an eye doctor?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

OPHTHALMOLOGIST - OPTICIAN - OPTIMIST - OPTOMETRIST

1. OPHTHALMOLOGIST

Which is:

1. An eye surgeon?
2. A maker of eyeglasses?

1. OPTICIAN

Order 4

## FACE OFF

HERPETOLOGY - HISTOLOGY - HYDROLOGY

HISTOLOGY

Which is the microscopic study of tissues?

## BONUS For 10 points apiece

Which word ending in "-ology" names the study of:

1. CARDIOLOGY
2. TOXICOLOGY

1. The heart?
2. The effects of poisons?

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## ULTIMATE CHALLENGE

### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Given three choices and a country, name its official language.

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|----|---|-------------------------|
| 1  | Fulani, Portuguese or English: Nigeria.   | <u>ENGLISH</u>          |
| 2  | Spanish, Pampas or Portuguese: Argentina. | <u>SPANISH</u>          |
| 3  | French, Mandinka or Yoruba: Senegal .     | <u>FRENCH</u>           |
| 4  | Arabic, Bemba or Chichewa: Malawi         | <u>CHICHEWA</u>         |
| 5  | Dutch, English or Creole: Barbados        | <u>ENGLISH</u>          |
| 6  | Berber, Arabic or Italian: Tunisia        | <u>ARABIC</u>           |
| 7  | Portuguese, Italian or Spanish: Brazil    | <u>PORTUGUESE</u>       |
| 8  | Farsi, Arabic or Urdu: Iran               | <u>FARSI OR PERSIAN</u> |
| 9  | Slovakian, Bulgarian or German: Austria   | <u>GERMAN</u>           |
| 10 | English, Arabic or Afar: Sudan            | <u>ARABIC</u>           |

## SIGHTSEEING SITES

Given sites visited by tourists, name the country.

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| 1  | The Colosseum and Trevi Fountain.                        | <u>ITALY</u>                              |
| 2  | Whitehall Palace and Buckingham Palace.                  | <u>UNITED KINGDOM OR GREAT BRITAIN OR</u> |
| 3  | The Parthenon and the Acropolis.                         | <u>GREECE</u>                             |
| 4  | The Forbidden City and Tienanmen Square.                 | PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF <u>CHINA</u>         |
| 5  | The Brandenburg Gate and the Reichstag.                  | <u>GERMANY</u>                            |
| 6  | The Colossus of Ramses II, in Memphis.                   | <u>EGYPT</u>                              |
| 7  | Shimba Hills in the south and Loroghi Hills on the Rift. | <u>KENYA</u>                              |
| 8  | Kafue National Park, south of the Copperbelt.            | <u>ZAMBIA</u>                             |
| 9  | The Okavango Delta, east of Namibia.                     | <u>BOTSWANA</u>                           |
| 10 | The Mughal Garden and the Taj Mahal.                     | <u>INDIA</u>                              |

## ABBREVIATIONS

Give the meaning of the abbreviations within these phrases:

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| 1  | Provides financial help to nations, the I.M.F.         | <u>INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND</u>         |
| 2  | Aids displaced people, the United Nations H.C.R.       | UNITED NATIONS <u>HIGH COMMISSION</u> (OR  |
| 3  | Oil production cartel, O.P.E.C.                        | <u>ORGANISATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING</u> |
| 4  | Feeding the world is its mission, the F.A.O.           | <u>FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION</u>   |
| 5  | Food digests here, the G.I. tract.                     | <u>GASTROINTESTINAL</u>                    |
| 6  | Medicines go straight to the blood, with an I.V. tube. | <u>INTRAVENOUS</u>                         |
| 7  | A text message chuckle, LOL.                           | <u>LAUGHING OUT LOUD</u>                   |
| 8  | A Muslim sign of respect to the prophets, P.B.U.H.     | <u>PEACE BE UPON HIM</u>                   |
| 9  | Finish it A.S.A.P.                                     | <u>AS SOON AS POSSIBLE</u>                 |
| 10 | The referee stops the boxing match, giving a T.K.O.    | <u>TECHNICAL KNOCKOUT</u>                  |