

Comparisons - quiz game

<p>1 London is by far the biggest city in Europe in terms of population.</p> <p>False. Istanbul: 15,029,231; Moscow: 13,197,596; London: 8,825,001. Istanbul is by far the biggest city in Europe.</p>	<p>2 The population of Beijing is nearly as big as that of Shanghai.</p> <p>False. Population: Shanghai: 13,831,900; Beijing: 10,123,000. Shanghai is considerably bigger than Beijing.</p>	<p>3 The Nile is far and away the longest river in the world.</p> <p>False. The Amazon: 6,992 km; the Nile: 6,853 km. The Nile isn't quite as long as the Amazon.</p>
<p>4 Silver isn't nearly as valuable as gold.</p> <p>True. Silver: US\$0.46 per gram; gold: US\$38.87 per gram.</p>	<p>5 The Colosseum in Rome is nowhere near as old as the Pyramids of Giza.</p> <p>True. The Pyramids of Giza: 2580 BC; The Colosseum: 70 AD.</p>	<p>6 A Big Mac in Moscow doesn't cost quite as much as one in Bangkok.</p> <p>False. Moscow: US\$2.29; Bangkok US\$3.85. A Big Mac in Moscow doesn't cost nearly as much as one in Bangkok.</p>
<p>7 Air pollution in London is nowhere near as bad as it is in Hong Kong.</p> <p>True: Pollution (PM 2.5, micrograms /cubic meter, annual exposure): London: 11; Hong Kong: 20.</p>	<p>8 It's nothing like as expensive to buy a flat in Los Angeles as it is in London.</p> <p>True. London: \$10,397 per sq metre; Los Angeles: \$4563 per sq metre.</p>	<p>9 It costs nearly twice as much to take a taxi one kilometer in London as it does in Tokyo.</p> <p>True. London: \$6.54 per km; Tokyo \$3.65 per km.</p>
<p>10 Taxis in Hong Kong are among the cheapest per km of any rich country.</p> <p>True. Israel, Greece and Spain are among the few wealthy countries that are cheaper.</p>	<p>11 A beer in New York is around twice as much as one in Berlin.</p> <p>True. Beer per pint: New York: US\$7.70; Berlin: US\$3.90.</p>	<p>12 One of the Harry Potter books is the best-selling English book of all time.</p> <p>False. <i>The Lord of the Rings</i> (150 million) is the best-selling English book of all time. (<i>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone</i>: 120 million).</p>

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The murder rate in the USA is slightly higher than in Canada.

False. Murders per 100,000, 2016: Canada: 1.68; USA: 5.35. The murder rate in the USA is three times as high as in Canada.

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Chicago isn't quite as cold as Moscow in January.

True. Average January temperatures: Chicago: -5.6 degrees C; Moscow: -6.5 degrees C.

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In July, Beijing isn't nearly as hot as Manila.

False. Average July temperatures: Beijing: 26.7 degrees C; Manila: 27 degrees.

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Nepal is far and away the highest country in the world (by average elevation).

False. Nepal: 3265 m; Bhutan: 3280 m; Tajikistan: 3186 m. Bhutan is the highest country in the world by a small margin.

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Rome is by far the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world.

False. Rome: 753 BC; Damascus: 11th century BC. Damascus is the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world.

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The Eiffel Tower (Paris) isn't quite as tall as the Petronas Towers (Kuala Lumpur)

False. Eiffel Tower (324m); Petronas Towers (452m) The Eiffel Tower isn't nearly as tall as the Petronas Towers.