



2024

YEAR IN REVIEW

1. On January 1st, four countries joined the BRICS geopolitical bloc. Which of the following was **NOT** among them?
 - Argentina
 - Egypt
 - Ethiopia
 - Iran
2. 2024 is a leap year, with an extra day on February 29th. Who introduced the concept of leap years?
 - Julius Caesar
 - Jesus Christ
 - Leonardo da Vinci
 - Galileo Galilei
3. The movie Oppenheimer dominated the 96th academy awards. How many wins did it score?
 - 3
 - 5
 - 7
 - 9

4. On April 8, a rare total solar eclipse was visible in populated areas of the USA. What causes a solar eclipse?
- Earth is positioned between the Sun and the Moon
 - The Moon is positioned between the Sun and the Earth
 - Venus is positioned between the Sun and the Earth
 - Jupiter is positioned between the Sun and the Earth
5. In May, the French Post, La Poste, introduced a novel postal stamp celebrating the baguette. What is unique about it?
- It is made of recycled bread crumbs
 - It is shaped like a baguette
 - It smells like a baguette
 - It was not available on launch day due to a strike.
6. In June, Claudia Scheinbaum became the first female president of which country?
- Germany
 - Switzerland
 - Austria
 - Mexico
7. In July, Paris hosted the Olympic games. How many Olympics did France host including this one?
- 2
 - 4
 - 6
 - 8
8. For 9 consecutive nights, the famous street artist Banksy operated in London. What was the theme of his drawings?
- People
 - Animals
 - Food
 - Planets

9. In September 2024, what milestone did the **Polaris Dawn** mission achieve in space exploration?
- First autonomous robot in space
 - First commercial spacewalk
 - First marriage in space
 - First flight through a wormhole
10. John Hopfield and Geoffrey Hinton were awarded a Nobel Prize in Physics for what discovery?
- Big Bang Theory
 - Artificial Intelligence
 - Living in Simulation Theory
 - Discovery of Baby Universes
11. In November, Donald Trump won the 2024 US presidential elections over Kamala Harris. Who came third by the popular vote?
- Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
 - Jill Stein
 - Chase Oliver
 - Elon Musk
12. On December 8th, president Bashar al-Assad fled Syria after his dictatorship regime was overthrown. How old was he when he became the president?
- 34
 - 40
 - 46
 - 52