

Ships and the Sea: Expert Quiz

Questions	Points
1. For what was the naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal awarded?	2
2. Sailors serve in a ship, never on a ship. Why is this so?	2
3. What was the name of the decisive battle of the Pacific War?	2
4. What did Philip II, Aethelred II and Kublai Khan all have in common other than kingship?	2
5. Why is it necessary for a seaboat to be griped to when secured?	2
6. What is meant by broaching to?	2
7. Distinguish between flotsam and jetsam.	2
8. On June 1, 1813, the U.S. frigate "Chesapeake" surrendered after an astonishingly short eleven-minute engagement to a Royal Navy frigate when the U.S. ship was slightly more heavily armed and had 20% more crew. What was the R.N. ship's name?	2
9. How would you splice a rope that was not intended to go through a block?	2
10. How would you splice a rope that was intended to go through a block?	2
11. Why is water removed from the table before toasts are proposed in the Royal Navy?	2
12. What is the use of a snatch block?	2
13. Name the seven parts of a block.	7
14. What was the real name of Dumas' Count of Monte Cristo and what was his occupation before his imprisonment?	2
15. What is the name of the only municipality in the world named after a ship?	2
16. What is another name for a parbuckle?	2
17. Where did the decisive naval battle lost by Anthony and Cleopatra to Octavian (later Caesar Augustus) and Marcus Vispanius Agrippa?	2

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18. Winston Churchill when 1st Lord prior to 1914 proposed a name for a new battleship. The name was sent up to King George V for his consent. The King replied. "Never! Not while I am King of England!" What was the proposed name?	2
19. Captain Anson of the H.M.S. "Centurion" captured the Manila galleon "Neustra Senora de Covadonga" in 1743 off Macao and as a result became immensely rich. The loss of 2/3rds of his men while lamentable was financially beneficial as the heavy mortality increased each survivor's share of prize money. What did Anson's men die of and what medical benefit resulted from Anson's contribution of prize money?	2
20. For three generations "Almirante Latorre", a battleship of 28,600 tons displacement, 24 knots, 10 14" guns, 18 6" guns, several AA weapons and 4 21" submerged torpedo tubes was the flagship of the Chilean Navy. When an R.N. ship she served at Jutland in May, 1916. What was her name in the R.N.?	2
21. What was the name of her sister ship?	2
22. Who conceived the strategy that won the Battle of Salamis for the Athenians?	2
23. Is the plug of a seaboat in or out when secured on board?	2
24. When a seaboat is secured inboard are the poppets shipped or unshipped?	2
25. Why is a seaboat's tiller secured hard over?	2
26. What is a Samson post?	2
27. Should a boat be trimmed to carry weather helm or lee helm?	2
28. What is a Plimsoll line?	2
29. What is a cable's length?	2
30. You are officer of the watch in the middle watch of a merchant ship leaving a canal and are preparing to drop the pilot. The pilot boat is coming alongside now. What should you do?	2