1. Why have more than 160 law students at the University of Tasmania been forced to re-sit their exams?
   c. some of the students had cheated - Only some of the fifth-year students cheated in a recent online test on Criminal and Civil procedure but because it is not clear who did the whole class will re-sit a new test.

2. Who is Bashar al-Assad?
   b. the President of Syria - The international community is debating about whether a military intervention against the Syrian Government should take place.

3. Why was a helicopter rescue operation in the news last week?
   a. a patient fell during a rescue and died - The man was bushwalking with a group near Mansfield, when he broke his ankle. He fell about 30 metres while he was being winched into the helicopter with a paramedic.

4. Why has a Canberra worker been awarded more than a million dollars in compensation?
   b. her chair broke - Terry Downie was working for the Community Information and Referral Service ACT in October 2002 when her chair broke, leaving her lying on the floor in pain for up to 15 minutes.

5. In which country is a huge bushfire burning in Yosemite National Park?
   a. USA - Firefighters are battling to keep ash from contaminating San Francisco's main water supply. The fire has already charred 74,843 hectares since it started on August 17.

6. True or false, there are almost twice as many university students per teacher than a generation ago?
   True - There were 13 students for every teacher in 1990. The number rose to 19 in 2000 and 24 in 2012.

7. Which Australian cricket player scored the highest ever individual score in Twenty20 internationals last week?
   c. Aaron Finch - His Man-of-the-match 156, was the highest individual score in all Twenty20 internationals.

8. True or false, Britain’s MPs have voted in favour of using military intervention in Syria?
   False - Britain’s MPs have voted against military intervention in Syria, despite prime minister David Cameron telling them they could not stand idle in the face of “one of the most abhorrent uses of chemical weapons in a century”.

9. What is the Federal Government planning to dump on Muckaty Station near Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory?
   c. nuclear waste - A date has been set in the Federal Court case of Aboriginal traditional owners fighting plans to use their land as a nuclear waste dump. It would be Australia’s first radioactive waste facility.

10. What transport project has Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announced his support for, by providing funding for its next planning stage?
    a. a high speed rail network on the east coast - The project, which would link the major east coast centres of Brisbane, Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne, has been estimated to cost $114 billion and has a completion date of 2035, at the earliest. The newly established High Speed Rail Authority will be given $52 million to finalise the route of the track and locations of train stations.

11. What are officials in America using labrador retrievers to try and eradicate?
    a. giant snails - The invasive Giant African Land Snail can grow as big as rats and devour plants as well as stucco and plaster in a hunt for calcium they need to grow their big shells. The snails can cause extensive structural damage to buildings. The dogs will be trained to sniff out the pests

12. True or false, it is illegal to import cosmetics into Australia that have been animal tested?
    False - Although animal testing on cosmetics stopped in Australia some years ago, it is not illegal. Some companies test their cosmetics or their ingredients on animals overseas before selling them in Australia. Labor is pledging to conduct a national consultation to phase this out

13. Who has been in the news for posing for a ‘selfie’ with a group of teenagers?
    c. Pope Francis - The 76-year-old Pope, Latin America’s first pontiff, has repeatedly broken with Vatican tradition since being elected in March, including regularly picking up the phone and calling ordinary people who write to him.

14. What did Taiwan coastguards seize in what it describes as the biggest smuggling case of its kind?
    b. protected turtles - Taiwan coastguards have seized more than 2,500 protected turtles bound for dinner plates in China. Because the number of wild turtles is in sharp decline in China, market prices have surged to about five times those of Taiwan.

15. How many gold medals did Australia win at last year’s Olympic Games?
    b. 7 - Sailing x3, Athletics, Swimming, Canoeing, Cycling

**Weekly Quiz - Answers**

1. The Cancer Council - Daffodil Day
2. Bobsleigh
3. Spain - La Tomatina (Tomato Festival)
4. Blake Ferguson - went missing from the Canberra Raiders team all of last week.
5. Princess Diana - Investigations continue into whether her death was suspicious or just an accident

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