1. How old is the Sydney Opera House?
   a. 40 years old - Thousands of people gathered at the Sydney Opera House recently to help celebrate its 40th birthday. The crowds began queuing early to secure a spot for a special free tour of the house and one of 6,000 cupcakes.
   b. climate change being linked to the recent bushfires - Prime Minister Tony Abbott has dismissed a UN assessment that the New South Wales fires are linked to climate change, accusing a senior UN official of "talking through her hat". Australia's environment minister Greg Hunt, has been drawing ridicule after he dismissed suggestions of a link between climate change and increased bushfire intensity by saying he had "looked up what Wikipedia" said.
   c. Danish - An international design competition was launched, with the brief calling for "the best opera house that can be built." They selected 38-year-old Danish Architect Jørn Utzon and his scheme number 218 as the winner.

2. What nationality was the Architect that designed the Sydney Opera House?
   a. French - The Sydney Opera House is designed by French architect Jørn Utzon and represents a significant contribution to Australian culture.
   b. Australian - The Opera House is not only a symbol of Australia but also a celebration of human determination and creativity.
   c. Danish - An international design competition was launched, with the brief calling for "the best opera house that can be built." They selected 38-year-old Danish Architect Jørn Utzon and his scheme number 218 as the winner.

3. True or false, Japan experienced a tsunami after a large earthquake on the weekend?
   True - A magnitude 7.3 earthquake struck offshore of Japan's crippled nuclear power plant early Saturday, triggering small tsunamis but causing no damage.

4. What is the Reclaim The Night march that is held in Melbourne about?
   a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country i the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
   b. 28% - New figures show Australia's obesity rate has ballooned, with 10.8 million Australians now classified as overweight or obese. Figures by the National Health Reporting Authority for the Council of Australian Governments show 28 per cent of Australians were obese in 2011-12, up from 11 per cent in 1989. The figures reveal 63 per cent of Australians are now either overweight or obese, up from 44 per cent in 1989.
   c. it is a march which calls for the end of violence towards women - About 1,000 people marched along Sydney Road in Brunswick in Melbourne's north. The Reclaim The Night march was first staged in Melbourne in 1979.

5. Why did the Pope suspended a German bishop last week?
   a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country in the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
   b. he has spent $50m of the Catholic Church's money to build a luxury complex - His private quarters in a new diocesan building are reported to have cost 2.9 million euros ($4.1 million) and included a 63-square-metre dining room and a 15,000 euro bathtub, using the revenue from a religious tax in Germany.
   c. Danish - An international design competition was launched, with the brief calling for "the best opera house that can be built." They selected 38-year-old Danish Architect Jørn Utzon and his scheme number 218 as the winner.

6. A letter written by Ludwig Leichhardt has been discovered by a Brisbane librarian more than 170 years after it was written. What is Ludwig Leichhardt best known as?
   a. an explorer - In 1844, Leichhardt trekked nearly 5,000 kilometres from south-east Queensland to Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory. But he is most famous for his fateful expedition four years later when he set out to cross the continent. He and his small support team vanished with barely a trace.
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7. What week was it in Australia last week?
   a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country in the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
   b. Europe - The Kangaroos defeated the main host nation in the first game by 28 - 20. New Zealand are the current champions with Australia last winning the trophy in 2000.
   c. Bird Week - Bird Week is an annual event organised by not-for-profit organisation, Bird Life Australia. Many activities are held across Australia and online, throughout the week.

8. For what country is Australian-born Mary Donaldson a Crown Princess?
   a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country in the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
   b. Europe - The Kangaroos defeated the main host nation in the first game by 28 - 20. New Zealand are the current champions with Australia last winning the trophy in 2000.
   c. Denmark - Crown Princess Mary Elizabeth is currently touring Australia with her husband Prince Frederik. They are helping celebrate the 40th anniversary of the the Opera House, visiting hospitals and business around Sydney.

9. What was a UN official speaking about that led Tony Abbott to accuse her of "talking through her hat"?
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10. True or false, gold can grow in trees?
    True - Geoscientists in Perth have discovered gold particles in the leaves, twigs and bark of eucalyptus trees, claiming a "eureka" moment which could revolutionise gold mining. CSIRO researchers believe the trees, sitting on top of gold deposits buried deep underground, suck up the gold in their search for moisture during times of drought.

11. In what continent is the country of Peru?
    a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country in the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
    b. Europe - The Kangaroos defeated the main host nation in the first game by 28 - 20. New Zealand are the current champions with Australia last winning the trophy in 2000.
    c. Australia - The country of Peru is located in South America.

12. New figures on obesity rates in Australia have been released. What is the percentage of the population who are now classified as obese?
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    c. Ke$ha - Ke$ha and her team had previously agreed to modify their planned show in Malaysia, including making changes to her song lyrics and wardrobe, to comply with the government's general guidelines for performers.

13. Which performer had their concert banned by Malaysian authorities last week, after deciding it would hurt cultural and religious sensitivities?
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    b. Ke$ha - Ke$ha and her team had previously agreed to modify their planned show in Malaysia, including making changes to her song lyrics and wardrobe, to comply with the government's general guidelines for performers.
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14. What iconic Australian brand turned 90 last week?
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    b. Europe - The Kangaroos defeated the main host nation in the first game by 28 - 20. New Zealand are the current champions with Australia last winning the trophy in 2000.
    c. Vegemite - Chemist Cyril Callister created the Vitamin B spread from brewer's yeast in 1922 and it first hit Australian supermarket shelves the following year.

15. Australia is currently paying in the Rugby League World Cup. Where is the tournament being played?
    a. South America - It is the fourth most populated country in the continent after Brazil, Colombia and Argentina.
    b. Europe - The Kangaroos defeated the main host nation in the first game by 28 - 20. New Zealand are the current champions with Australia last winning the trophy in 2000.
    c. Sydney - Opera House, visiting hospitals and business around are helping celebrate the 40th anniversary of the tour through Australia with her husband Prince Frederik. They are helping celebrate the 40th anniversary of the of the Opera House, visiting hospitals and business around Sydney.

VISUAL ANSWERS
1. Orlando Bloom - the couple have recently announced their separation. They met in 2007 and were married in 2010
2. Germany - Andrea Merkel is very concerned that her private cell phone has been hacked by US authorities
3. Harry Styles - One Direction is currently on tour here
4. Kenya
5. The Great Wall of China

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