

Answers to "General Knowledge Test"

1. Polish. He was a sailor.
2. Planets are members of the solar system, stars are outside it.
3. He was drowned when the ship he was travelling on to Russia, H.M.S. Hampshire, was torpedoed and sunk by a German U-boat.
4. Ferdinand de Lesseps.
5. Pteradactyl should be pterodactyl; wisteria should be wistaria.
6. She was a character in *The Rivals* by Sheridan, famous for her misuse of words.
7. (a) Pearl Buck, (b) China, (c) Luise Rainer.
8. A hand is 4 ins.—supposed to be a hand's breadth, so that a horse 14 hands high is 4 ft. 8 ins. measured at the withers.
9. Defiant, Wellington, Lysander, Anson.
10. Persia, Siam, Christiana. Leningrad was formerly Petrograd, which was formerly St. Petersburg.
11. H. C. Bailey, Agatha Christie, John Rhode, Lynn Brock.
12. No pages—only two covers.
13. The African elephant has very much larger ears.
14. No. Beef is chilled *not* frozen.
15. It has no effect. Try it!
16. The ship is leaving port.
17. Captain, with four gold rings, is the higher rank. A Commander has three.
18. The "Altmark."



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