

Part A: Words

All these questions are about stories in the news this week. Can you find the article and the information? Write the answer, the section of the paper and the page number where you found the information.



A1 Where in the world has a case of the bubonic plague been discovered – and what did this disease cause in the Middle Ages?

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A2 To stop COVID-19, what percentage of a country's population may need to develop immunity (resistance to the disease), either by getting a vaccine or becoming infected?

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A3 How many animals in the UK are still being raised in cages?

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A4 What does a new perfume called Eau de Space smell like?

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A5 Two kits have been born in Essex for the first time since the Middle Ages. What are kits?

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A6 Where in the world has suffered from an unusually high number of elephant deaths since the beginning of May?

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A7 What percentage of insects face extinction right now?

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A8 Which Japanese river burst its banks, after torrential rain fell in the country, causing widespread flooding and landslides?

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A9 What is spread over ten square miles and is found to be up to 30cm deep on trees, and where in the world is it?

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A10 Name Britain's oldest and most successful ladies' basketball team. What problem do they have?

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Part B: Pictures

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Teacher Answers

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- A1 Eastern Mongolia. It caused the Black Death in the Middle Ages. 'Plague appearance', Quick News, page 2
- A2 70%. 'Will people refuse a vaccine?', Big News, page 3
- A3 Some 16,661,696 (or 37% of animals). 'Wow!', Animal News, page 11
- A4 The smell of outer space, as described by NASA astronauts. It will smell of a mix of fireworks, steak and raspberries! 'Do you want to smell like space?', Crazy but True, page 22
- A5 Beaver babies. 'Beaver babies', Home News, page 6
- A6 Botswana in Africa. 'Elephant crisis', Quick News, page 2
- A7 41%. 'Save the insects', Big News, page 5
- A8 The Kuma River. News in Pictures, page 4
- A9 A plague of locusts in Argentina. 'Locust plague', World News, page 8
- A10 The Sheffield Hatters. They need money to fund them to play next season. 'Sport in Numbers', page 28

Part B: Pictures

- B1 US president Donald Trump held a mask-less, firework-lit rally at Mount Rushmore, despite warnings that fireworks could cause wildfires in the surrounding forests and that mass gatherings would spread COVID-19. 'Independence Day', Quick News, page 2
- B2 The Round Tower at Windsor Castle was lit up in blue as part of the 72nd birthday celebrations for the NHS. News in Pictures, page 4
- B3 Rest in peace Rubble. Rubble, 'the world's oldest cat', died after reaching 31 years old, the human equivalent of nearly 150 years! 'RIP Rubble', Big News, page 7
- B4 Moo is a two-tone dachshund puppy. He is a piebald, which is when an animal has unpigmented spots on a pigmented background. 'Meet Moo the mismatched dog', Crazy but True, page 22
- B5 Poppy Roberts and her friends have helped to save Welsh Mountain Zoo from closure by setting up an appeal and delivering a fortnight's worth of food and bedding for the 1,000 animals, as well as raising money for the zoo. 'Saving the zoo', Your News, page 27
- B6 This is Mihail Minkov's four-year-old daughter looking ready to catch a falling star in her father's Star Catcher photograph, a winner in the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA's) Capture The Dark photography competition. 'Capturing The Dark', Science Special, page 9
- B7 The Lyceum Theatre was taped shut as part of the Missing Live Theatre campaign. 'Good news for theatres', Big News, page 7
- B8 An artist's impression of the Kongonaphon, a tiny relative of more well-known dinosaurs and pterosaurs. The 237-million-year-old fossil was found in Madagascar. 'The dinky dino ancestor', Big News, page 3