

Prisons quiz

To help you mark Prisoners' Sunday

15th November 2009

Find out how much you know about our prison system!

- 1** There are more soldiers in UK prisons than in Afghanistan. Is this...?
(a) true (b) false
- 2** People from how many different nationalities entered our prisons during 2008?
(a) 123 (b) 159 (c) 171
- 3** How many mother and baby units are there in the 14 women's prisons nationwide?
- 4** Which is the most overcrowded prison in England and Wales?
(a) HMP Pentonville (b) HMP Wormwood Scrubs (c) HMP Kennet
- 5** What age was the youngest person to die in penal custody in recent memory?
(a) 14 (b) 20 (c) 23
- 6** Which country has the biggest number of prisoners in the world?
(a) the United States (b) Russia (c) China
- 7** Which prison was built in 1809 to hold French and American prisoners of war?
- 8** Up to 10% of prisoners have learning difficulties and disabilities that interfere with their ability to cope with the criminal justice system. Is this...?
(a) true (b) false
- 9** Who is this ex-resident of HMP Pentonville?



Answers

1. b - there are 8,500 ex-servicemen in prison in the UK and about 9,000 soldiers in currently serving Afghanistan
2. c 3. 7 4. HMP Kennet (191% overcrowded)
5. a 6. a - the USA has 1.96 million prisoners, Russia has 0.92 million and China has 1.43 million.
7. Dartmoor Prison
8. false - it's up to 30%
9. Boy George