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Breakdown of words

Popular	<i>pop u lar</i>
Character	<i>char act er</i>
Celebrated	<i>cel e brat ed</i>
Remembered	<i>re mem ber ed</i>
Laughter	<i>laugh ter</i>
Episodes	<i>ep is odes</i>
Comedian	<i>com e di an</i>
Entertaining	<i>en ter tain ing</i>

25 years of Father Ted



It is 25 years since the TV comedy series Father Ted first appeared on our screens and to mark this very popular series An Post have brought out a booklet of 4 Father Ted stamps. Printed on each stamp is a famous one-liner from each of the show's main characters including Mrs. Doyle's "Will you have a cup of tea father..." and Dougal's "That's mad, Ted...".

Head of marketing with An Post Julie Gill said "We are creating a laugh out loud moment with these colourful stamps, while marking 25 years of Father Ted and remembering those members of the cast and crew who are no longer with us. Right now, the power of fun and of laughter is to be celebrated."

The show is as popular today as it was 25 years ago and regular repeats of the series mean the characters, Ted, Dougal, Father Jack and the ever-popular Mrs. Doyle, are as well known today as they were in 1995. It's hard to believe that there were only 25 episodes made in total.

The comedy series followed the everyday events in the lives of 3 priests and their housekeeper living in a rundown house on an island, known as "Craggy Island".

Although all the studio scenes were filmed in England, the outdoor scenes were filmed in County Clare and on the Aran Islands. The house is still a very popular tourist attraction with visitors to Co. Clare.



At the time, some of the story lines and the language used especially by the colourful Father Jack, offended some people. However, some of the funny lines and events from the programme have become part of our everyday language, with people often calling funny events that happen, a "Father Ted moment".

Many of today's well-known actors and comedians started their career with small parts on Father Ted. Graham Norton for example first came to fame as the entertaining Father Furlong.

In 1998, just weeks after filming the very last episode of the series, the main actor, Dermot Morgan who played the part of Father Ted, died suddenly from a heart attack. He was only 45. Irish actor Frank Kelly who played Father Jack has also since passed away.



Pauline McGlynn who played the part of Mrs. Doyle, says that she takes it as a great compliment

that people still remember her as Mrs. Doyle and hopes that the new stamps will make people smile.



The new Father Ted Stamp Booklet

Soft C

The letter C usually sounds like k as in cake call car

However, ce ci cy sound like S as in city cycle lace

ceiling	cent	certain	cinema	circle	cycle	face	ice	dance	fancy
cereal	centre	certificate	city	circus	cyst	race	rice	fence	juicy

Choose the correct word from the list above

- I went to see a movie in the _____.
- Dublin is Ireland's biggest _____.
- I like to eat _____ for breakfast.
- When I passed the exam I was given a _____.
- Many people _____ to work instead of driving.
- Curry and _____.
- I need to put a _____ around my garden to keep the dog from running away.
- She came first in the 1500 metre _____.
- I took the bus to the city _____.
- A round shape is a _____.
- I need to paint the _____ in my room.
- I like _____ in my drink.

Write **the opposite** of these words by putting **un** or **dis** before each word (the first one is done for you)

- happy unhappy
- agree _____
- do _____
- usual _____
- honest _____
- believable _____
- friendly _____
- appear _____
- finished _____
- honest _____
- tidy _____

The answers to these are all words ending in **...ace**

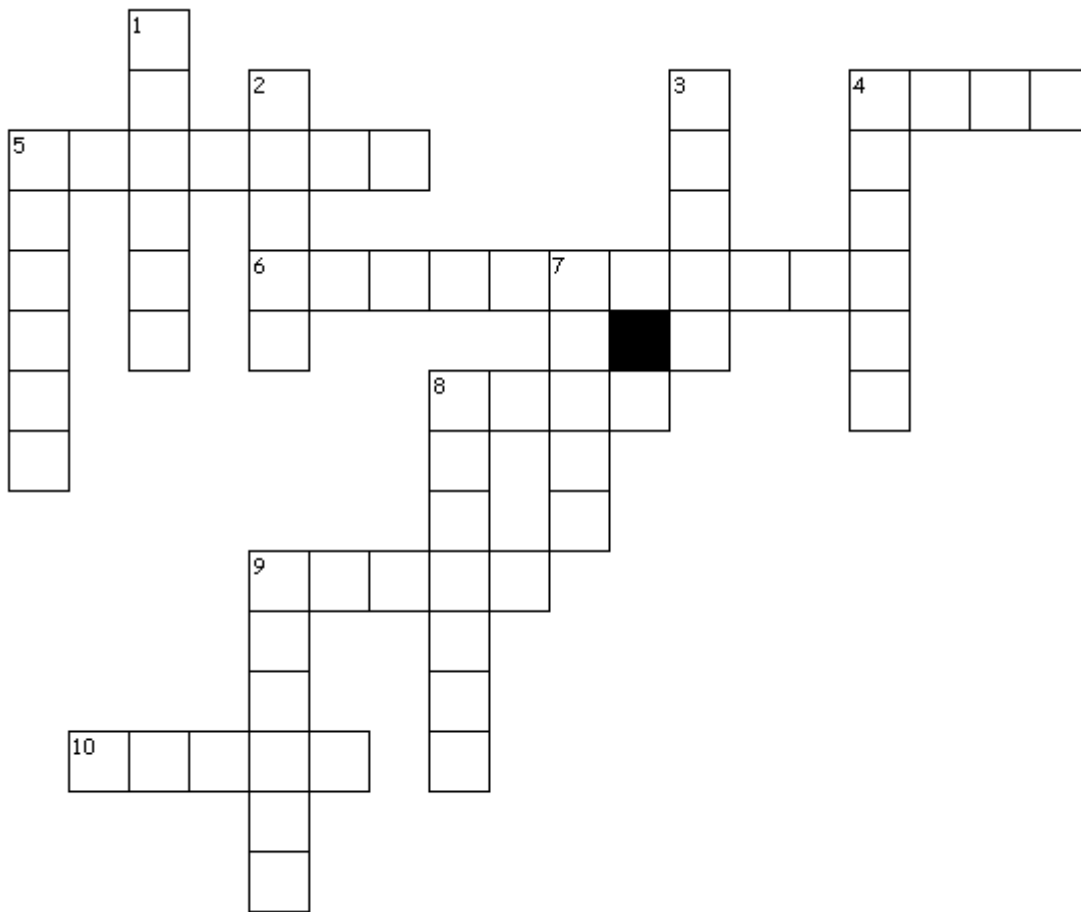
- I tie my shoe with a shoe _____.
- My room is small and has very little _____.
- We need to wear a _____ mask when shopping.
- The _____ of hearts is a card in the deck.
- When I was young, I had a _____ on my teeth.
- _____ is a supermarket chain in Ireland.
- I am looking for a nice _____ to live.
- I will run in the 10k _____.
- Another word for speed is _____.

Answers are words ending in **...ice**

- What _____ did you pay for that?
- I make _____ cubes in the freezer.
- We have to throw the _____ when we play snakes and ladders.
- Would you like _____ or chips with your meal?
- There are a lot of _____ running around the old house.
- You look very _____ today.
- If you do it 2 times you do it _____.
- There is a lot of _____ in a curry.
- Would you like another _____ of cake?
- Sometimes children get head _____.

Crossword

The answers are all words from the word list



Across

4. A very large town is a ____ (4)
5. If you are very sure then you are this (7)
6. A piece of paper to say you passed the exam (11)
8. 1c, 5c or 10c coin, c is short for ____ (4)
9. You do this on a bike (5)
10. Oranges are very _____ (5)

Down

1. Cornflakes is a breakfast _____ (6)
2. A jig is one (5)
3. You might put one around your garden (5)
4. A place you go to watch a film (6)
5. A round shape (6)
7. Not plain (5)
8. You hang a light bulb from this (7)
9. You will find a clown working here (6)

Maths

1.

Tom is twice Ann's age.

Jack is half Ann's age.

Harry is $\frac{1}{3}$ of Ann's age.

If Tom is 48, what age is :

Ann _____

Jack _____

Harry _____

2.

4 friends have won €20,000 in a raffle.

John gets $\frac{1}{2}$ the money.

Mary gets $\frac{1}{5}$ of the money.

Ann gets $\frac{1}{4}$ of the money.

Paul gets the rest.

Q.A. How much does each person get?

Q.B. If the money was divided into 4 equal amounts, how much would each person get?

3. I want to buy a new computer. If I pay for it in full today it will cost me €450. If I pay for it over 12 months, I will pay €50 each month.

How much more will it cost me if I pay monthly?

4. Find the answers to these:

a. $\frac{1}{2}$ of 80 =

b. $\frac{1}{10}$ of 50 =

c. $\frac{2}{3}$ of 60 =

d. $\frac{3}{8}$ of 40 =

e. $\frac{3}{4}$ of 100 =

Answers

1. 24, 12, 8
2. a €10,000, €4,000 €5000
b €5000
3. €150
4. a 40 b 5 c 40 d 15 e 75