

KYOGRE: A Deep Dive into Pokémon Knowledge

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Round 8

(Note to reader: Your previous round should have ended with the tossup on Mega Stones.)

1. **This location was named after the main computer in the Sega Mega Drive game *Pulseman*, which was developed by Game Freak. In *Pokémon Adventures*, Red's Poliwhirl evolves to save him after they infiltrate this location, which stored many kidnapped Pokémon. An episode set at this location was the first to be dubbed into English, explaining why some stations aired it before the actual first episode. An (*) escape from this location worsens when a Magikarp kept in a golden Poké Ball evolves. Ash briefly trades his Butterfree for a Raticate while in this place, whose destruction leads the protagonists to the Island of the Giant Pokémon. For 10 points, name this cruise ship that docks in Vermilion City.**

ANSWER: S.S. Anne [accept St. Anne] <Anime/Manga>

Note to players: Somewhat specific answer required.

2. **A dungeon named for this habitat is home to the version exclusives Buneary and Pachirisu. After traversing through one of these habitats, the protagonists find items that change the properties of Iron Head. Interacting with an Espeon in one of these habitats dubbed "Elsewhere" in *New Pokémon Snap* grants access to areas themed around the four seasons. The dungeon directly before (*) Steam Cave is one of these habitats, whose namesake feature weakens Electric-type moves in *Mystery Dungeon* only. The player passes out in one of these habitats after encountering Zacian or Zamazenta for the first time. For 10 points, the Slumbering Weald in *Sword and Shield* is what kind of habitat with impaired visibility?**

ANSWER: foggy forest [prompt on forests or wealds or woods by asking "What is most prominent about the environment of the area?"] <Mixed/Miscellaneous>

3. **In *FireRed* and *LeafGreen*, these items can respawn as hidden items in the transitional rooms of Mt. Moon. A yellow one of these items introduced in Gen 5 has no function but can be sold for 25,000 Pokédollars. The Restaurants Le Nah, Le Yeah, and Le Wow award different types of these items for "perfect meals." Three of these items are required to make an item that adds or removes the (*) Gigantamax Factor from a Pokémon. Varieties of this item native to Hisui include Swordcap and Iron Barktongue. In *FireRed* and *LeafGreen*, "Tiny" and "Big" forms of these items replace the usual Heart Scale as payment to the Move Reminder. For 10 points, what items grow on Paras and Parasect?**

ANSWER: mushrooms [accept Tiny Mushroom, Big Mushroom, Balm Mushroom, or Max Mushroom; prompt on fungi] <Mainline - Mixed>

4. **In both Buck's rematch team at the Battleground and Pike Queen Lucy's Silver Symbol team, one of these Pokémon has Toxic, Protect, Sandstorm, and Rest. A namesake old man produces medicine from a shiny one of these Pokémon, the second shiny to appear in the anime after Ash's Noctowl. This Pokémon undergoes the most drastic change when using (*) Power Trick. In the games that introduced Rock Smash, only Krabby and this Pokémon could appear after using it. A Trainer in Cianwood City who had his Sneasel stolen by Silver entrusts the player with this Pokémon, which ferments berries in its shell. For 10 points, name this Bug/Rock Pokémon with extremely high defensive stats.**

ANSWER: Shuckle <Mainline - Gen 2>

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5. This country hosted a collaboration event between *Pokémon GO* and *Pokémon Air Adventures* during the last weekend of July 2023. This country's logo in the 2023 Smogon World Cup of Pokémon features a Volcanion. During the *Pokémon GO* craze in this country, thousands visited its city of Sokcho, the only major city unaffected by restrictions on (*) Google Maps. Players from this country protested a June 2023 tournament by bringing teams that only knew Metronome. Due to a cultural embargo, this country initially banned the Gen 1 games and several early episodes depicting elements of Japanese culture. For 10 points, what country's only Pokémon World Champion is 2014's Se Jun Park?
ANSWER: South Korea <Mixed/Miscellaneous>

6. This type is shared by every Pokémon that cannot eat Poké Puffs. In Gen 3, no TMs or HMs of this type exist, and as of Gen 9, it is the only type that hasn't been paired with Dragon. In Gen 7, a move of this type had its base power boosted from 20 to 80. In Gen 2, a move of this type could bypass Steel's (*) immunity to being poisoned. The strongest priority move, which shares a restriction with Fake Out, has this type. In Gen 1 only, this type was both weak to and super effective against Poison. Like Grass, this type is resisted by a record seven other types. Every Pokémon that can evolve below Level 12 shares, for 10 points, what type whose moves are boosted by the Swarm ability?
ANSWER: Bug-type <Battling/Competitive>

7. One of these characters uses a Gastly immune to a mass hypnosis outbreak in the Orange Islands episode *Pikachu Re-Volts*. A Malamar brainwashes one of these characters into becoming the hooded Madame X. The Team Rocket duo uses a voice-changing megaphone to mimic one of these characters in the episode *The Case of the (*) K-9 Caper!* After wandering into a Pokémon reserve, Ash is fooled by one of these characters wearing a Chansey hat. In other regions, these characters use Herdier and Manetric. Like a similar set of workers, these teal-haired characters are all each other's siblings. For 10 points, name these characters who use Growlithe in their police duties.
ANSWER: Officer Jenny [prompt on police; prompt on officers] <Anime/Manga>

8. An area controlled by this character features a hallway with colored nodes that deal different types of damage, and one node that heals Pokémon. In the story "Tragic Determination," this character is opposed by a contemporary who uses Lapras and Articuno. This character's sister allies with the player and has a Perfect Link with (*) Jigglypuff. Immediately after the player links with Arceus atop Infinite Tower, this character and five of his allies arrive to challenge the player. This warlord from Dragnor seeks to unify the Ransei region using a Zekrom and a Black Rayquaza. For 10 points, *Pokémon Conquest* is based on an RPG named for the "ambition" of what real-life Japanese unifier?
ANSWER: Oda Nobunaga [accept either, although the game only calls him "Nobunaga"] <Spin-Offs>

9. In a miniseries, after a Gym Leader escapes a cave-in, the owner of one of these things returns a phone she left behind. A pair of these things are found in front of the Rose of the Rondelands hotel and Wyndon Stadium. At the end of a *Twilight Wings* episode, Wooloo jumps from one of these things into its Trainer's arms. While in Area Zero, Arven states that these things (*) "always come through, if you're a real sob story." In one region, these things use different Pokémon due to the threat posed by Tinkaton. Loading screens in Switch-era Pokémon games depict these things, which are accessed from the Town Map and replace HM02. For 10 points, name this transport service staffed by Corviknight.
ANSWER: Flying Taxi [or Galar Taxi] <Mainline - Gen 8>

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10. In *FireRed and LeafGreen*, NPCs who judge this attribute award Net Balls and Nest Balls. During encounters, circles of arrows moving away from or toward a Pokémon indicate extreme variants of this attribute added to a game in late 2022. This attribute is the focus of an early request in *Legends: Arceus* about Buizel. This attribute is relevant to NPCs seeking (*) Remoraidd on Route 222, Heracross in the Sevii Islands, and Barboach and Shroomish in Sootopolis City. In the *Let's Go* games, red and blue auras in the overworld surround wild Pokémon that differ in this attribute. The four variants of Pumpkaboo differ in, for 10 points, what variable, the subject of *Let's Go's* "It's tiny!" and "It's huge!" messages?
ANSWER: Pokémon size differences [accept height, length, or weight; or equivalents of being bigger or smaller than normal; accept XXL or XXS] <Mixed/Miscellaneous>

11. One of these places has a framed autograph of Lt. Surge and a toy "covered in Meowth's claw marks." A story in which an "oddly colored Pokémon eluded detection" is heard in one of these places, where the Azure Flute can appear as a save data bonus in *BDSP*. In a cutscene, a (*) Fletchling flies out of the darkness toward the occupant of one of these places. In *Black and White*, one of these places becomes visibly disheveled after battling Cheren and Bianca. Sending money to Mom allows her to buy decorations for one of these places, which typically contain the latest Nintendo console. For 10 points, identify these places where most mainline Pokémon games begin.
ANSWER: the player character's bedroom [accept equivalents for the player's house; accept equivalents for "player" like you or the protagonist; prompt on house or bedroom by asking "Belonging to whom?"] <Mainline - Mixed>

12. In *Pokémon Stadium*, a member of this Trainer class uses six Pokémon who can all explode. In *Pokémon Adventures*, Agatha hires a member of this class named Miles to capture Red's Pikachu. In *Gens 1 and 3*, Burglars and this Trainer class populate the Cinnabar Gym. This Trainer class with a multiple-word name favors using (*) Grimer, Magnemite, and Voltorb. This Trainer class's *HeartGold and SoulSilver* sprite depicts a remote-controlled robot Pikachu. A member of this class who appears directly after the first Team Rocket encounters in Gen 1 calls dibs on the pair of fossils in Mt. Moon. For 10 points, identify this glasses-wearing Trainer class whose name might describe quizbowlers.
ANSWER: Super Nerd [prompt on nerd; reject "Scientist"] <Mainline - Gen 1>

13. This group of Pokémon guards Involiths that are stolen by Pokémon Pinchers in *Pokémon Ranger: Guardian Signs*, and can be summoned as land-based ride Pokémon. Mewtwo, Jirachi, and this group issue Challenge Letters in *Explorers of Sky*. In *Colosseum*, the Shadow Pokémon of each Cipher Admin except Mirror B. is part of this group. Gordor, the boss of the (*) Go-Rock Squad, controls this group in *Pokémon Ranger*. In *FireRed and LeafGreen*, the starter you picked dictates which of these three Pokémon roams Kanto in the postgame. In *Mystery Dungeon*, this group's combined powers create the Rainbow Wing, granting access to Ho-Oh. For 10 points, name this legendary trio that also roams around Johto.
ANSWER: Legendary Beasts [or the Legendary Dogs, I guess; accept Johto's legendary trio before the last sentence; accept Raikou, Entei, and Suicune in any order] <Spin-Offs>

14. A merch line named for this number includes a T-shirt design in which a Hypno leads away two children. In the anime, the Manalo Conference begins with a battle royale with this many entrants. A recipe that uses Gigantamax is the final entry in the Curry Dex, which has this many total entries. The first Kadabra card issued since the Uri Geller lawsuit appears in a (*) recent TCG expansion named for this number. A Pokémon with this National Dex number was the most common target of the Trainer-Fly glitch, and was the subject of persistent rumors about an inaccessible part of the SS Anne's exterior map. For 10 points, how many Pokémon, including Mew, were introduced in Gen 1?
ANSWER: 151 <Mixed/Miscellaneous>

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15. In a place named for this word, Raizoh retrieves a Skitty doll from a locked room, ignoring 100,000 Pokédollars worth of Nuggets. A complex with this name was meant to extend 69 floors underground, but “died in development.” Apartments occupy the upper half of an all-purpose building that makes up a (*) remodeled city of this name. Confidential files about Infinity Energy and encounters with Lugia, Ho-Oh, and Spiritomb are found at an abandoned research base named for this word. Rydel’s Cycles and a Game Corner are in a city that shares this name with a “New” power plant under Hoenn’s Cycling Road. For 10 points, what name was given to a city remodeled in ORAS by its Gym Leader, Wattson?
ANSWER: Mauville [accept New Mauville or Sea Mauville; prompt on new or sea by asking “What is the other word in that place’s name?”] <Mainline - Gen 6>

16. Several tournaments in this region are commentated by Freddy O’Martian. In a movie, this region’s Kingdom of the Vale is the origin of a flying sword-shaped castle. After leaving this region, Ash and friends explore locations like Wayfarer and Grand Spectrala Islands. Rivals in this region include a self-proclaimed “Dragon Buster” and a purple-haired Connaisseuse who inserts (*) French into her speech. This region’s championship, the Vertress Conference, is won by Virgil and his team of Eeveelutions. After arriving in this region, Ash lost to Trip’s starter Pokémon after a storm siphoned Pikachu’s power. For 10 points, in what region is Ash accompanied by Cilan and Iris?
ANSWER: Unova <Anime/Manga>

17. In later *Mystery Dungeon* games, moves that switch teammates’ positions, such as Baton Pass, have this additional effect. An item with this effect is Scott’s reward for obtaining every Gold Frontier Symbol, and is based on a *carambola*. A move with this effect often used in-game by Dodrio and Drapion has an animation that consists of a (*) finger pressing downward. An exclusively Hidden Ability with this positive effect was banned by Smogon for potentially making Smeargle, Glalie, and even Bidoof unmanageable. At low HP, the Starf Berry has this effect, referenced by the five different colors of its facets. For 10 points, the move Acupressure and the ability Moody share what aleatory, positive effect?
ANSWER: raising a random stat [accept equivalents; prompt on raising stats or answers that name any particular stat] <Battling/Competitive>

18. This Pokémon is the main one used by Barret, a high-ranking Team Plasma Grunt in the anime, and leads Zero’s army in *Giratina and the Sky Warrior*. Flying Garchomp and this Pokémon roam around the rim of the Great Crater of Paldea. Although its pre-evolutions are exclusive to distortions in *Legends: Arceus*, three of these Pokémon roam the (*) Coronet Highlands. This head sheriff in two *Mystery Dungeon* storylines was part of a Gen 5-era competitive strategy where it trapped Steel-types to clear the way for Dragon-type teammates. In the manga, Cyrus briefly used Probopass alongside this Pokémon with a similar evolution method. For 10 points, name this evolved form of Magnetron.
ANSWER: Magnezone <Mixed/Miscellaneous>

19. In *Pokémon Masters EX*, Lusamine’s Pheromosa knows Lunge, Bug Buzz, and this non-STAB move. In the anime, May’s Skitty frequently used this non-Normal-type move in Pokémon Contests. Gen 1’s metagame king, Tauros, ran this non-Physical move to counter Rhydon and Golem. Upon assuming a purple-colored form, (*) Rotom will attempt to learn this move, which was TM14 until Gen 8. Subsequent games nerfed this move’s original 120 base power, absurdly high 90% accuracy, and a 30% chance to inflict a certain status condition. This analog of Hurricane and Thunder is the final level-up move of Jynx and hits 100% of the time during Hail. For 10 points, name this stormy Ice-type attack.
ANSWER: Blizzard <Battling/Competitive>

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20. They're not ribbons, but these rewards are obtained from a resident of Sunyshore City upon presenting Pokémon with Serious, Naive, and Quirky natures. In a remake, one of these features became comically broken in European regions due to confusion over commas and decimal points. One of these features uses a (*) podium to represent the player's longest chains. In *BDSP*, one of these features consists of a menu of hidden moves. One of these features offers six symbols to mark a regional map, though it's most often used to track Mesprit and Cresselia. For 10 points, a 24-hour digital clock is the default example of what features for a watch-like accessory in Sinnoh?

ANSWER: Pokétch applications [accept any answer that mentions the Pokétch or Pokémon Watch; prompt on calculator by asking "By what means is that accessible through?"] <Mainline - Gen 4>