

"What is It?" Riddles

What is it? This is the question you have to answer in each riddle. They have different difficulties and sizes, so anyone can have fun.

- 1 With pointed fangs it sits in wait,
With piercing force it doles out fate,
Over bloodless victims proclaiming its might,
Eternally joining in a single bite
What is it?
- 2 What is it that no man wants, but no man wants to lose?
- 3 Born of sorrow, grows with age,
You need a lot to be a sage. What is it?
- 4 What is it that leaps and runs and yet, has no feet?
- 5 If I have it, I don't share it. If I share it, I don't have it. What is it?
- 6 A hill full, a hole full; yet you cannot catch a bowl full. What is it?
- 7 Big as a biscuit, deep as a cup, but even a river can't fill it up.
What is it?
- 8 What is it something that you always have but you always leave behind?
- 9 What is it that makes tears without sorrow and takes its journey to heaven?
- 10 Round like a dishpan and smaller than a bathtub. But the ocean can't fill it. What is it?

- 11 Round as an apple, deep as a cup, and all the kings' horses can't fill it up. What is it?
- 12 Thousands of these come together to make a digital image. What is it?
- 13 The sharp slim blade, that cuts the wind. What is it?
- 14 It's got twists and turns, but has no curves. Twist it to fix it, turn it to ruin it. What is it?
- 15 The part of the bird, that is not in the sky,
Which can swim in the ocean and always stay dry.
What is it?
- 16 A mile from end to end,
yet as close to as a friend.
A precious commodity, freely given.
Seen on the dead and on the living.
Found on the rich, poor, short and tall,
but shared among children most of all.
What is it?
- 17 Born at the same time as the world, destined to live as long as the world, and yet never five weeks old. What is it?
- 18 A home of wood in a wooded place, but built not by hand. High above the earthen ground, it holds its pale blue gems. What is it?
- 19 It can be cracked, It can be made,
It can be told, it can be played.
What is it?
- 20 There was a green house. Inside the green house there was a white house. Inside the white house there was a red house. Inside the red house there were lots of babies. What is it?

- 21 You can tumble in it,
Roll in it, Burn it,
Animals eat it,
Used to cover floors,
Still used beyond stall doors.
Freshens whatever it is placed on,
Absorbs whatever is poured into it.
What is it?
- 22 Arnold Schwarzenegger has a big one,
Michael J Fox has a small one,
Madonna doesn't have one,
The pope has one but he never uses it,
Bill Clinton has one and he uses it all the time!
What is it?
- 23 What has wings, but can not fly.
Is enclosed, but can outside also lie.
Can open itself up, Or close itself away.
Is the place of kings and queens,
And doggerel of every means.
What is it upon which I stand?
Which can lead us to different lands.
- 24 You can hold it without using your hands or your arms. What is it?
- 25 It's been around for millions of years, but is never more than a month old. What is it?
- 26 It belongs to you, but other people use it more than you do. What is it?
- 27 It stands on one leg with its heart in its head. What is it?
- 28 Give it a toss, and it's ready, but not until it's dressed. What is it?
- 29 You need a key to receive an answer from me. The answer you'll find is straight from your mind. What is it?
- 30 A device that nearly everyone has that can freeze anyone it sees. What is it?

- 31 This is a shape and a symbol that we literally cannot live without. What is it?
- 32 It's been around for millions of years, but it's no more than a month old. What is it?
- 33 Always wooden and covered in paint. It can make you laugh or hide, because something dark is inside. What is it?
- 34 Whoever makes it, tells it not; whoever takes it, knows it not; and whoever knows it, wants it not. What is it?
- 35 Sharp and long, flag of the world. What is it?
- 36 Women don't have and don't want it. Men get it but sometimes they try to get rid of it. What is it?
- 37 Never swallowed but certainly chewed, tossed in the mouth but it is not food. What is it?
- 38 It can't be seen or felt.
It can't be touched or smelt.
Behind stars and under hills.
All emptiness it fills.
What is it?
- 39 A circle of stones, never in rows.
Stacked one on the other, mystery it sows.
What is it?
- 40 Covered in stone and sun. It's home to many but also none. What is it?
- 41 Glittering points that downward thrust. Sparkling spears that do not rust. What is it?
- 42 You eat something you neither plant nor plow. It is the son of water, but if water touches it. It dies. What is it?

- 43 It regulates our daily movements, but it feels no interest in our lives. It directs us when to come and go, but does not care if we pay attention. What is it?
- 44 Not a comb or a brush but makes the hair feel plush. What is it?
- 45 It could make arrows fly and kites soar. What is it?
- 46 It keeps you on the ground and stops things from floating around. What is it?
- 47 You can spin, wheel and twist, but this thing can turn without moving. What is it?
- 48 It is everything to someone, and nothing to everyone else. What is it?
- 49 It flavors your food and divides the year up. What is it?
- 50 It rows quickly with four oars but never comes out from under his own roof. What is it?
- 51 It is not your enemy, yet we still beat it. What is it?
- 52 You use it between your head and your toes, the more it works the thinner it grows. What is it?
- 53 Everyone has it and no one can lose it, what is it?
- 54 Grown in the ground, it's taller than you. Strip off the outside, the yellow pieces you chew. What is it?

- 55 Touch this and you'll regret it. But if it's cold, you won't forget it.
What is it?
- 56 It is a place of play on a sunny day. Winter will come and take all
the fun, but we'll be back in May. What is it?
- 57 It is yellow and you can serve it but not eat. What is it?
- 58 A beacon from home to guide your way.
It can be a lifesaver on a stormy day.
What is it?
- 59 Mountains will crumble and temples will fall,
and no man can survive its endless call.
What is it?
- 60 It carries paper of the most important sort
but also plastic, I'm glad to report.
What is it?
- 61 Poor people have it. Rich people need it. If you eat it you die. What
is it?
- 62 Its fleece is warm and wooly white. And when you lie awake at
night, count it and you'll fall asleep. What is it?
- 63 Tomorrow's yesterday. Yesterday's tomorrow. What is it?
- 64 Sometimes it's silver but also gold.
Printed on paper it's a treasure to hold.
What is it?
- 65 Never alive but practically extinct.
How we miss the letters pressing the ribbon of ink.
What is it?
- 66 Both a currency and an antlered male. What is it?

- 67 Through its wounds, water does run. It once held many but now has none. What is it?
- 68 There are several different kinds, but the one you pick doesn't do its job. What is it?
- 69 Everyone needs this, it's great with an 'r' on the end but you're sad when the first letter goes away. What is it?
- 70 The man who invented it doesn't want it. The man who bought it doesn't need it. The man who needs it doesn't know it. What is it?
- 71 Man walks over, and man swims under. In times of war, it can be burned asunder. What is it?
- 72 It is the assumed nocturnal symbol of Mr. Wayne. What is it?
- 73 No sooner spoken than broken. What is it?
- 74 You use this to clean although it is small.
If you forget it, your smile will appall.
What is it?
- 75 It comes from crystal and melts to a treat. Add it to your tea to make it sweet. What is it?
- 76 This is a plant named after a light source. What is it?
- 77 This has no beginning, middle or end,
and all the greatest thinkers see it but can't comprehend.
What is it?
- 78 Usually green but can be brown. It's a great place to play or lie down. What is it?

- 79 Attracted by light but flies at night. It's wind and hairy but not too scary. What is it?
- 80 It gets passed among men and builds without growing.
It serves to injure from a source unknowing.
What is it?
- 81 It's equally comfortable in an orchestra and a geometry textbook.
What is it?
- 82 Used on a diamond and left on a board. It's great for a gymnast his grip to restore. What is it?
- 83 This old one runs forever, but never moves at all.
He has not lungs nor throat, but still a mighty roaring call.
What is it?
- 84 You can always see it, but it's too far away to touch. Mountains rest on it, and at sea it surrounds you. What is it?
- 85 Pointing North, South, East, and West it saves the lost and helps the rest. What is it?
- 86 Controlled by your hands and feet. It would be nothing without a street. What is it?
- 87 It can be used onstage or to express admiration. What is it?
- 88 Who makes it, has no need of it. Who buys it, has no use for it.
Who uses it can neither see nor feel it. What is it?
- 89 You can't live without doing this, and we all do it at the same time.
Yet many wish it wasn't happening. What is it?
- 90 The leaves are on the fruit, the fruit is on the leaves. What is it?

- 91 Neither bought nor sold but more valuable than gold. It is built but not by hand. What is it?
- 92 Tickle with your fingers and a song it will sing. Be careful, though, you may break a string. What is it?
- 93 It stands upright and can be quite grand.
Its secret is not hidden but right at hand.
What is it?
- 94 Built of metal or wood to divide.
It will make us good neighbors,
if you stay on your side.
What is it?
- 95 Lives without a body, hears without ears, speaks without a mouth,
to which the air alone gives birth. What is it?
- 96 What moves across the land but never has to steer?
It has delivered our goods year after year.
What is it?
- 97 Strip the skin under my skin, and my flesh you'll reveal.
It tastes sweet and tart, now throw out the peel.
What is it?
- 98 It's shorter than the rest, but when you're happy, you raise it up
like it's the best. What is it?
- 99 It is able to speak because it has a hard gone. You know what it is
as soon as it has sung. What is it?
- 100 A man walks out of a house that has four walls all facing north. A
bird walks past him. What is it?
- 101 It can be done to buttons and shopping carts. What is it?

"What is It?" Riddles Answers

1. stapler
2. lawsuit
3. wisdom
4. ball
5. secret
6. mist
7. strainer
8. fingerprints
9. smoke
10. sieve
11. well
12. pixel
13. grass
14. Rubik's cube
15. bird's shadow
16. smile
17. moon
18. nest
19. joke
20. watermelon
21. hay
22. surname
23. stage
24. Your breath.
25. The Moon.
26. name
27. cabbage
28. salad
29. code
30. camera
31. heart
32. moon
33. pencil
34. counterfeit money
35. tower
36. beard
37. gum
38. space
39. Stonehenge
40. cemetery
41. icicle
42. salt
43. clock
44. shampoo
45. string
46. gravity
47. milk
48. mind
49. season
50. turtle
51. drum
52. soap
53. shadow
54. corn
55. fire
56. park
57. tennis ball
58. lighthouse
59. time
60. wallet
61. nothing
62. sheep
63. today
64. currency
65. typewriter
66. buck
67. shipwreck
68. lock
69. lover
70. coffin
71. bridge
72. bat
73. silence
74. toothbrush
75. sugar
76. sunflower
77. space
78. grass
79. moth
80. lie
81. triangle
82. chalk
83. waterfall
84. horizon
85. compass
86. car
87. props
88. coffin
89. aging
90. pineapple
91. trust
92. guitar
93. piano
94. fence
95. echo
96. train
97. orange
98. thumb
99. bell
100. penguin
101. push