

Howlers found in GCSE examination papers, England

These were found in Sheila's papers after she died.

- 1 Ancient Egypt was inhabited by mummies and they all wrote in hydraulics. They lived in the Sarah Dessert and travelled by Camelot. The climate of the Sarah is such that the inhabitants have to live elsewhere.
- 2 Solomom had three hundred wives and seven hundred porcupines.
- 3 The Greeks were a highly sculptured people, and without them we wouldn't have history. The Greeks also had myths. A myth is a female moth.
- 4 Socrates was a famous Greek teacher who went around giving people advice. They killed him. Socrates died from an overdose of wedlock. After his death his career suffered a dramatic decline.
- 5 Actually, Homer was not written by Homer but by another man of that name.
- 6 Eventually the Romans conquered the Greeks. History calls people Romans because they never stayed in one place for very long.
- 7 In midevil times most people were alliterate. The greatest writer of the futile ages was Chaucer, who wrote many poems and verses and also wrote literature.
- 8 Queen Elizabeth was the "Virgin Queen". When she exposed herself before her troops they all shouted "hurrah!".
- 9 Sir Francis Drake circumcised the world with a hundred foot clipper.
- 10 Shakespeare was born in 1564, supposedly on his birthday. He is famous only because of his plays. He wrote tragedies, comedies, and hysterectomies, all in Islamic pentameter. Romeo and Juliet are an example of a heroic couplet. Romeo's last wish was to be laid by Juliet.
- 11 John Milton wrote Paradise Lost. Then his wife died and he wrote Paradise Regained.

- 12 Johann Bach wrote a great many musical compositions and had a large number of children. In between he practised on an old spinster he kept in the attic. Bach died from 1750 to the present. Bach was the most famous composer in the world and so was Handel. Handel was half German, half Italian, and half English. He was very large.
- 13 Napoleon wanted an heir to inherit his power, but since Josephine was a baroness, she couldn't have any children.
- 14 The sun never set on the British Empire because the British Empire is in the East and the sun sets in the West.
- 15 Queen Victoria was the longest queen. She sat on a thorn for 63 years. Her death was the final event which ended her reign.
- 16 Louis Pasteur discovered a cure for rabbits. Charles Darwin was a naturalist who wrote The Origin of the Species. Madame Curie discovered radio. And Karl Marx became one of the Marx brothers.