

1950s Trivia Questions

History

1. Which president of the United States was in office from Jan. 20, 1953 to Jan. 20, 1961?
2. Which disease did Dr. Jonas Salk successfully create a vaccine for in 1952?
3. What was the name of the first satellite launched into orbit by Russia in 1957?
4. Who overthrew Fulgencio Batista in 1959 and became dictator of Cuba?
5. What year did Disneyland open?
6. What famous explorer first climbed Mount Everest in 1953?
7. Who became Premier of the Soviet Union in 1958?
8. Senator Joseph McCarthy, who conducted a nationally televised hearing in 1954 to root out Communists in the government, represented what state?
9. What is the name of the woman who refused to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955?
10. Which member of the royal family became head of state in Great Britain in 1953?

Music

1. Which famous song sung by Doris Day was introduced in the 1956 Hitchcock thriller, *The Man Who Knew Too Much*?
2. What singer had a hit with *Sixteen Tons* in 1955?