**AROUND ESSEX ANSWERS**

A mainly cryptic quiz with a few anagrams, hidden words and general knowledge clues thrown in.  All the answers are names of towns, villages and hamlets to be found within the boundaries of Essex.

1. This might get things across to you. (7)                    Abridge
2. An appropriate flower to keep in store. (5)                Stock
3. On clean coast. (anagram) (7.2.3)                    Clacton-on-Sea
4. No small Rolls. (5.7)                            Great Bentley
5. Best man has to do this until the handover. (8)                Havering/Tendring
6. Make a good job of selling from door to door. (8)            Hawkwell
7. No inn for eats. (anagram) (7.2.3)                    Frinton-on-Sea
8. Do you belong around here?  Yes, right in the centre. (5)            Ongar
9. Man goes around with nothing on. (7)                    Manuden
10. Did it find its roots in a refuse dump? (7)                Tiptree
11. A dry bun mixture. (7)                            Danbury
12. Where Herb and Donald briefly meet up. (8)                Basildon
13. Not reluctant to add beer. (10)                        Willingale
14. Fights over a game of cards. (13)                    Battlesbridge
15. Last of the rashers? (5.3)                        Bacon End
16. The big clock gets fast. (8)                        Benfleet
17. Might come ashore. (7)                            Mayland
18. Swap punches with little Teddy. (6)                    Boxted
19. Old fashioned punishment leads to fury. (10)                Birchanger
20. Extra weight. (7)                            Moreton
21. Forget the mill, it’s more likely to come out of a car crusher. (8)   Flatford
22. Red wine – 2000 vintage. (7)                        Newport
23. Where grows a branch of intellect. (9)                    Braintree
24. What T.V. cameras do at a football match? (8)                Panfield
25. Colourful fish heading for water. (13)                    Brightlingsea
26. Sounds wet, but with a hint of sunshine on its way to the North East. (5)    Rayne
27. Does hate sun on. (anagram) (8.2.3)                    Southend-on-Sea
28. Don’t stop!  It’s easy once you get into it. (6)                Pitsea
29. England has it – fine! (anagram) (4.12)                    East Hanningfield
30. Don’t forget to check the van gears. (5)                    Vange

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| **2017** | | |
| *These questions all refer to events in 2017* | | |
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| 1 | On what date was the engagement of Harry and Meghan officially announced? | 27th NOVEMBER |
| 2 | Who became Wimbedon Ladies Singles Champion? | GARBINE MUGURAZA |
| 3 | Who had a no. 1 UK hit with his debut solo single "Sign of the Times"? | HARRY STYLES |
| 4 | Who features on the back of the new £10 note? | JANE AUSTEN |
| 5 | Who won the World Snooker Championship? | MARK SELBY |
| 6 | On January 1st which Portuguese politician became UN Secretary General? | ANTONIO GUTERRAS |
| 7 | What was the name of Hillary Clinton's 2017 autobriography? | WHAT HAPPENED |
| 8 | Who won the 104th Tour de France? | CHRIS FROOME |
| 9 | How is 2017 written in Roman numerals? | MMXVII |
| 10 | Which TV show did William G. Stewart (who died in September) present? | FIFTEEN TO ONE |
| 11 | Which film won Best Picture Oscar after a mix-up with La La Land? | MOONLIGHT |
| 12 | Which golf club, the world's oldest, voted to admit women? | MUIRFIELD |
| 13 | Which DUP leader agreed to support a minority Conservative Government? | ARLENE FOSTER |
| 14 | Which singer's Manchester concert was the target of a suicide bomber? | ARIANA GRANDE |
| 15 | Which Spanish region held a referendum on gaining independence from Spain? | CATALONIA |
| 16 | Which country won the 2017 Africa Cup of Nations? | CAMEROON |
| 17 | Who was the Director of the FBI Donald Trump fired in May? | JAMES COMEY |
| 18 | Which hurricane swept the Atlantic in September with winds up to 185 mph? | IRMA |
| 19 | Who did Emmanuel Macron beat to become French President? | MARINE LE PEN |
| 20 | Which country announced a lift on its 35 year old ban on cinemas? | SAUDI ARABIA |
| 21 | Which club won the English FA Cup Final? | ARSENAL |
| 22 | Which country decriminalised "moderate violence" within families? | RUSSIA |
| 23 | Which country won the Eurovision Song Contest? | PORTUGAL |
| 24 | What entertainment company had disgraced American Harvey Weinstein co-founded with his brother? | MIRAMAX |
| 25 | Who won the 81st Masters Golf Tournament? | SERGIO GARCIA |
| 26 | Who became the first female Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police? | CRESSIDA DICK |
| 27 | Which company bought most of 21st Century Fox in December? | WALT DISNEY |
| 28 | Which English singer, nicknamed "The Forces Sweetheart", celebrated her 100th birthday? | VERA LYNN |
| 29 | Which county won the UEFA Women's Euro? | NETHERLANDS |
| 30 | Which airline had a global IT failure in May leading to worldwide chaos? | BRITISH AIRWAYS |

**WELL KNOWN PROVERBS AND SAYINGS ANSWERS**

For example O.M.M.I.A.M.P. = One Man’s Meat Is Another Man’s Poison

1. O.B.T.S.            Once bitten twice shy
2. A.B.I.T.H.I.W.T.I.T.B.    A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush
3. A.F.I.N.I.A.F.I.        A friend in need is a friend indeed
4. T.H.A.B.T.O.        Two heads are better than one
5. H.W.H.I.L.        He who hesitates is lost
6. L.B.Y.L.            Look before you leap
7. W.N.W.N.        Waste not want not
8. P.M.P.            Practice makes perfect
9. A.S.I.T.S.N.        A stitch in time saves nine
10. B.O.A.F.F.T.        Birds of a feather flock together
11. P.W.P.F.        Penny wise pound foolish
12. I.F.A.P.I.F.A.P.        In for a penny in for a pound
13. M.I.H.R.A.L.        Marry in haste repent at leisure
14. A.M.I.A.G.A.A.M.    A miss is as good as a mile
15. F.I.F.            Forewarned is forearmed
16. P.I.T.T.O.T.        Procrastination is the thief of time
17. A.R.S.G.N.M.        A rolling stone gathers no moss
18. A.A.A.D.K.T.D.A.    An apple a day keeps the doctor away
19. O.O.S.O.O.M.        Out of sight out of mind
20. H.A.L.I.B.T.N.        Half a loaf is better than none
21. T.M.C.S.T.B.        Too many cooks spoil the broth
22. E.C.H.A.S.L.        Every cloud has a silver lining
23. T.P.I.M.T.T.S.        The pen is mightier than the sword
24. F.R.I.W.A.F.T.T.        Fools rush in where angels fear to tread
25. G.M.T.A.        Great minds think alike
26. M.H.M.L.W.        Many hands make light work
27. V.I.T.S.O.L.        Variety is the spice of life
28. W.S.F.T.G.I.S.F.T.G.    What’s sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander
29. D.I.T.B.P.O.V.        Discretion is the better part of valour
30. A.M.T.H.G.F.        Absence makes the heart grow fonder



GENERAL KNOWLEDGE - 20th CENTURY

In which year of the 20th Century did each of the following events occur

1 Construction of the Berlin Wall began 1961

2 Queen Victoria died 1901

3 First ever Academy Awards ceremony 1929

4 Became mandatory for drivers and front-seat passengers to wear car seatbelts 1983

5 Andrew Bonar Law became Prime Minister 1922

6 The Easter Rising in Ireland took place 1916

7 Britain joined the EEC on 1st January 1973

8 Stirling Moss became first English winner of the British Grand Prix 1955

9 End of the Vietnam War 1975

10 The Queen's first televised Christmas broadcast 1957

11 United Nations officially came into existence 1945

12 The BBC was formed 1922

13 Women achieved equal voting rights to men in the UK 1928

14 Charlie Chaplin died 1977

15 Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer 1981

16 First cloned mammal "Dolly the Sheep" born 1996

17 Mary Rand won Olympic Gold in the Long Jump 1964

18 Martin Luther King Jr delivered his "I have a dream" speech 1963

19 Betty Boothroyd became first female Speaker of the House of Commons 1992

20 Emerson Fittipaldi won his first Formula One World Championship 1972

21 Judy Garland starred with Fred Astaire in "Easter Parade" 1948

22 V-E Day 1945

23 "The Gold Rush" with Charlie Chaplin released 1925

24 First UK heart-lung transplant in England 1983

25 Terry Waite taken hostage in Beirut 1987

26 "The Beano" first issued 1938

27 Ruth Ellis was the last woman to be hanged in the UK 1955

28 Picasso died 1973

29 The British halfpenny withdrawn from circulation 1984

30 Torvill and Dean won Gold at the Sarajevo Winter Olympics 1984

WILD LIFE

The answers to these cryptic clues are all living creatures

1 An old shilling feline Bobcat

2 Fish eggs darling Roedeer

3 Ruler angler Kingfisher

4 Tiny room Weasel

5 A ship to be turned round Aphis

6 Small stick Tadpole

7 Able after a pair Toucan

8 Alright with backward beer Okapi/Reebok

9 Average decay Parrot

10 The Queen does this love Reindeer

11 Blowing a lot Puffin

12 Chat to small white ball Natterjack

13 Famous footballer is able to Pelican

14 Colour says hi Buffalo

15 To win the motion causes yells of disapproval Caribou

16 Insect runs away to marry Antelope

17 Crib with no credit is Ibis

18 Farewell relation Bison

19 Provide food for a support Caterpillar

20 Frightening sharp thing Terrapin

21 Writing implement for Nell Penguin

22 Greet Mrs. Sharples Hyena

23 Heavenly body with heather Starling

24 Month has no direction Moth

25 Place to trade before entering Martin

26 Your Majesty cockney heat Marmot

27 Put on the means of opening the door Donkey

28 Rouse the little cat Kittiwake

29 Small green seed turns its ears Peacock

30 Tap a fish Cockroach

**LONDON OR THEREABOUTS ANSWERS**

1. Mae comes to a conclusion. (4.3.)                    West End
2. Inter the flowers. (10)                            Bloomsbury
3. Place a joint on this crossing. (6.6)                    Putney Bridge
4. Bertie’s regal entrance. (3.5.6.4)                    The Royal Albert Hall
5. Ready to stitch and sew in the thoroughfare. (12.6)        Threadneedle Street
6. Watch tower. (3.8)                            The Barbican
7. Spread 2240 pounds of new mown grass by the canal enclosure. (10.4)    Teddington Lock
8. To keep the water within the limits. (3.10)                The Embankment
9. Pulverise the land. (6)                            Harrow
10. Equine soldiers. (5.6)                            Horse Guards
11. Place to go for a bonfire night injury. (4.8)                Guys Hospital
12. Prop up the trench. (10)                            Shoreditch
13. This pillar requires a certain hold. (7.6)                    Nelson’s Column
14. A putrefied brawl. (6.3)                            Rotten Row
15. Little Elizabeth and her young sheep cross the water. (7.6)        Lambeth Bridge
16. Here hangs the Lutine Bell. (6)                        Lloyds
17. Little Nell’s home. (3.3.9.4)                    The Old Curiosity Shop
18. A spring flower on an incline. (8.4)                    Primrose Hill
19. The metal worker trades in the open country. (10.6)         Smithfield Market
20. Does the chess piece have to bear this? (5.5)                Kings Cross
21. Breezes may be an alternative at this fortress. (7.6)           Windsor Castle
22. An imperial meeting place for a joyful celebration. (5.8.4)        Royal Festival Hall
23. Chirp little chick – at the edge. (9)                    Cheapside
24. Whoever wrote best should win. (3.6)                    Bow Street
25. Wave these for value in detention. (10.6)                Wandsworth Prison
26. Can you throw a heavy weight?  I can. (9)                Islington
27. Sort out nasty Crabtree. (7.6)                        Carnaby Street
28. Needing cold storage?  Try here. (10)                    Selfridges
29. Find the novel by N. T. Pile, it is misread. (11)                Pentonville
30. Round dreaming spires. (6.6)                        Oxford Circus

WORD DEFINITIONS

All the answers end in "OLOGY"

1 Study of human and animal behaviour PSYCHOLOGY/ETHOLOGY

2 Study of mental disorders PSYCHOPATHOLOGY

3 Study of family descent GENEALOGY

4 Study of cultures of mankind ANTHROPOLOGY

5 Science dealing with life processes of plants and animals BIOLOGY

6 Scientific study of rocks PETROLOGY

7 Branch of biology dealing with animals ZOOLOGY

8 Study of blood and its diseases HAEMATOLOGY

9 Branch of medicine dealing with the heart CARDIOLOGY

10 Study of x-rays and other radiant energy RADIOLOGY

11 Branch of biology dealing with cells CYTOLOGY

12 Branch of biology dealing with tissue structure HISTOLOGY

13 Study of the effects of drugs PHARMACOLOGY

14 Branch of medicine dealing with urinary system UROLOGY

15 Study of causes of diseases AETIOLOGY

16 Study of myths MYTHOLOGY

17 Scientific study of trees DENDROLOGY

18 Study of Word origins ETYMOLOGY

19 Collection of poems or songs ANTHOLOGY

20 Scientific study of aging GERONTOLOGY

21 Science of fermentation ZYMOLOGY

22 Branch of medicine dealing with women's diseases GYNAECOLOGY

23 Study of agricultural soils AGROLOGY/PEDOLOGY/EDAPHOLOGY

24 Branch of medicine dealing with allergic reactions IMMUNOLOGY/ALLERGOLOGY

25 Branch of linguistics dealing with the word structure and form MORPHOLOGY

26 Study of the nervous system and its diseases NEUROLOGY

27 Study of structure and disease of teeth ODONTOLOGY

28 Study of prehistoric life through fossils PALEONTOLOGY

29 Branch of botany dealing with fungi MYCOLOGY

30 Study of earliest stages of development in the uterus EMBRYOLOGY

**GARDEN QUIZ ANSWERS**

All the answers can be found in the garden

1. In good health, I hope.                    Wishing Well
2. V.large, but confused.                     Gravel
3. Residence for Cluedo Vicar.                 Greenhouse
4. Wait for a haircut.                    Barbecue
5. Hours, minutes, seconds.                 Thyme
6. Unwelcome company for a couple.             Gooseberry
7. Where to take stolen goods.                 Fence
8. Former Aussie cricket captain.                 Border
9. Uncertain which way to bet.                Hedge
10. “Last of the Summer Wine” character canonised.    Compost
11. Better figures in the South.                Strimmer
12. JR’s ranch has lost direction.                Fork
13. They live in Zurich?                     Gnomes
14. Save John Major.                    Conservatory
15. Phone for bright weather.                Sundial
16. George once lived in Pennsylvania Avenue.      Bush
17. Gold or diamonds.                    Carrot
18. William Joyce.                       Haw Haw
19. Observe the fourth letter.                 Seed
20. Between Bucks and Herts.                Beds
21. Airgun pellets.                        Slugs
22. Substitute Pig meat.                    Hammock
23. The way to insanity.                    Crazy Paving
24. Set up for criminal act in winter.                Cold Frame
25. Drinking vessel or a dairy product.            Buttercup
26. Disorderly brush.                    Shrub
27. Mixed investment.                    Shears
28. Cut George Clooney’s place of work.            Mower
29. Pencil around Royalty.                    Herb
30. Transport for the Jumblies.                Sieve

**A PHRASE, SAYING, PROVERB OR FACT?  ANSWER SHEET**

For example 1815 = B of W  The answer 1815 = Battle of Waterloo

1. 12 = Z in a B            12 Zeroes in a Billion
2. 186,000 = MPS (S of L)        186,000 Miles Per Second (Speed of Light)
3. 9 = P in the SS            9 Planets in the Solar System
4. 70 = TSY and T            70 Three Score Years and Ten
5. 4 = H of the A            4 Horses of the Apocalypse
6. 2 = S in a P            2 Singles in a Pair
7. 39 = B in the OT            39 Books in the Old Testament
8. 3 = W on my W            3 Wheels on my Wagon
9. 6 = G (K of E)            6 Georges (Kings of England)
10. 7 = P in a WPT            7 Players in a Water Polo Team
11. 15 = FP in T            15 First Point in Tennis
12. 3 = PC (RBY)            3 Primary Colours (Red Blue Yellow)
13. 20 = FO in a P            20 Fluid Ounces in a Pint
14. 1728 = CI in a CF        1728 Cubic Inches in a Cubic Foot
15. 16 = S and NBK            16 Single and Never Been Kissed
16. 10 = GB (H on a W)        10 Green Bottles (Hanging on a Wall)
17. 100 = YO (T from the Q)        100 Years Old (Telegram from the Queen)
18. 1977 = RRW the GN        1977 Red Rum Won the Grand National
19. 76 = T in the BP            76 Trombones in the Big Parade
20. 3 = LP                3  Little Pigs
21. 32 = DF at WWF            32 Degrees Fahrenheit at Which Water Freezes
22. 7 = S on a FPP            7 Sides on a Fifty Pence Piece
23. 12 = M on a J            12 Men/members on a Jury
24. 1 = W on a U            1 Wheel on a Unicycle
25. 4 = Q in a G            4 Quarts in a Gallon
26. 180 = MS at D            180 Maximum Score at Darts
27. 40 = LBA            40 Life Begins At
28. 206 = B in the HB        206 Bones in the Human Body
29. 7 = H of R            7 Hills of Rome
30. 7 = SAS (TD of C)        7 Swans A Swimming (Twelve Days of Christmas)