



CENTENARY QUIZ

A hundred questions from each decade of MG's existence – do you know the answers?

Complete the sheet and hand it in to the event control point in The Paddock before 2.30pm to be in with a chance of winning the top prize and being the “Centenary Champion”. Prize Giving in the Paddock at 3.30pm

Don't worry if you can't answer all the questions as you never know – others might not either! There are nine questions in each section and a bonus question to make the 100!



1920s

What is Your Name?

And Phone Number – in case you are not at the Prize Giving!

1. In what town were MGs first made?
2. What house in Abingdon did Cecil Kimber Rent – Corner House, Cemetery House, Boundary House or Factory House?
3. What is the earliest car on display today (You'll find it in the timeline)?
4. What animal lent its name to the nose of early MGs and Morris cars?
5. What sort of sports were some of the early MG's called?
6. What was the phone number for the new factory at Abingdon?
7. In September 1929 Cecil resigned as General Manager of Morris Garages – True or False?
8. How many Raworth two seat bodies were ordered by Kimber in 1923?
9. In 1925 M.G.'s won two first class awards at Brooklands – True or False.

- 1 Oxford
- 2 Boundary House
- 3 1925 14/28 Supersports (car had moved so would accept 1926 18/80 in timeline)
- 4 Bull
- 5 Super Sports
- 6 Abingdon 251
- 7 True
- 8 Six
- 9 True

TOTAL SCORE



1930s

1. In the 1931 Double Twelve at Brooklands M.G. came 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th - What other trophy did they win?
2. The 18/80 Six was first introduced in 1934 – True or False
3. Who was the Governing Director of the newly formed M.G. Car Company in 1930?
4. William Morris became known as Lord who?
5. Who became the new managing Director of M.G. Cars Company Ltd in 1935?
6. The record-breaking car EX135 was originally known as what type of sweet?
7. How many cylinders did the K Type Magnettes have?
8. In 1935 M.G. took a team of lady drivers to Le Mans – they were called The Delightful Debutantes, The Dancing Daughters or The Daredevil Dames?
9. How many different J Types were there -1,2,3,4 or 5?

- 1 The Team Trophy
- 2 False (1928)
- 3 Sir William Morris
- 4 Nuffield
- 5 Leonard Lord
- 6 Humbug
- 7 Six
- 8 The Dancing Daughters
- 9 Four



1940s

1. Cecil secured a contract to build gun boats at Abingdon in 1941 – True or False
2. Cecil died on 4th Feb 1945 – how did that happen?
3. What was the first saloon MG to be built after the war?
4. 10,000 MG TCs were built – True or False
5. Which tank was built at Abingdon during the war – Chieftain, Centurion or Crusader?

- 1 False – it was aircraft
- 2 Train Crash at Kjn's Cross
- 3 Y Type
- 4 True
- 5 Crusader

6. How many MG TCs were sold in America – 1001, 2001, 5001, 7001?

7. What military rank was Goldie Gardner?

8. The MG TD was the best-selling of all the T-Types – True or False

9. In 1949, what other make of car was produced at Abingdon alongside M.G.?

6 2001

7 Lt.Colonel

8 True (29,664)

9 Riley



1950s

1. Nuffield Group and the Austin Motor Company amalgamated in 1952 to form which company?

2. EX175 was a prototype for which car – MGTF, MGA, Y-Type or MGB?

3. Badge engineering first appeared at the 1952 Motor Show with the ZA Magnette, but what was the original car?

4. Gerry Palmer designed the ZA Magnette – True or False

5. EX179 appeared at Bonneville in 1954 breaking records – Ken Miles was one driver but who was the other – Goldie Gardner, George Eyston, Syd Enever or Stirling Moss?

6. How many EX182s (MGA Prototypes) raced at Le Mans in 1955?

7. EX181 was driven by Stirling Moss achieved what speed at Bonneville in 1957 – 204.64mph, 245.64mph, 254.91mph or 284.91mph?

8. Two years later EX 181 returned to Utah to become the fastest MG ever – who was the driver?

9. Off MGs a bit but what revolutionary car was unveiled by BMC in 1959?

1 British Motor Company

2 MGA

3 Wolesley 4/44

4 True

5 George Eyston

6 Three

7 245.64mph

8 Phil Hill

9 Mini (Austin 7 or Morris Mini Minor)



1960s

1. The Austin A60 came in various guises but what was the final Mark number for the MG Magnette version – 3, 4, 5 or 6
2. Which came first - the MG Midget Mk1 or the MGB Mk1?
3. The first MG Midget had an engine size over or under 1litre?
4. In Spring of 1962 the MGA reached the milestone of how many sales – 50,000, 75,000, 100,000 or 150,000?
5. Some of the MGB was designed by Farina – True or False.
6. The MG 1100 had what type of suspension system – Hydragas, Hydrolastic or Hydrogen?
7. Kjell Quale built three single seat MG race cars to race at Indianapolis – True of False.
8. From the outside how could you tell an MGB from an MGC?
9. In 1968 BMC was merged with which company?

1 Mk 4

2 MG Midget 1961

3 Under – 948cc

4 100,000

5 True

6 Hydrolastic

7 True (MG Liquid Suspension Specials)

8 Bulge on bonnet

9 Leyland



1970s

1. In 1971 BL discontinued the MG1300 – this was the last MG saloon for how many years – 3, 13, 15 or 25years?
2. The “Bullet” could have been a new MG but what was it sold as in 1975?
3. The MGBGT V8 was built only in GT form – True or False.
4. In 1975 what anniversary was celebrated with a special MGBGT?

1 13 years

2 Triumph TR7

3 True

4 50 years of MG (Jubilee)

5. What colour were the wheels on the Jubilee MGBGT?
6. What happened to MG bumpers in 1974?
7. Who took over as chairman of British Leyland in 1979 – Bill Stokes, John Thornley, Michael Edwardes or Harry Crutchley?
8. What happened the day after Abingdon celebrated 50 years of the M.G. factory in September 1979?
9. Mr Robinson was sacked from the Longbridge plant in 1979 – under what name was he better known as – Rebel Robby, Red Robbo or Jammy Robinson?

- 5 Gold
- 6 Became rubber (or plastic)
- 7 Michael Edwardes
- 8 Closure announced
- 9 Red Robbo



1980s

1. What colour was the MGBGT LE?
2. In what year was the MG Metro introduced – 1981, 1982, 1983 or 1984?
3. Where was the Metro built?
4. The MG Maestro was ahead of its time with a unique dashboard feature – what was it?
5. The Metro 6R4 had a power rating of – 190hp, 240hp, 290hp or 340hp?
6. The MG EXE Concept car first appeared at which motor show in 1985 – British, Geneva, Brussels or Frankfurt?
7. Several concepts were being worked on in the 1980s, which of these did not belong to Rover – CCV, CRX, PR1 or ADDER
8. The 6R4 raced in which rally group?
9. The 1985 concept which was an important successor to the MGF was called the - F15, F16 or F24?

- 1 Metallic Pewter (or grey)
- 2 1982
- 3 Longbridge
- 4 Talking dashboard
- 5 240hp
- 6 Frankfurt
- 7 CRX (Honda)
- 8 Group B
- 9 F16



1990s

1. When did the first production MG RV8 leave the factory – 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 or 1994?
2. The MGF was launched at the Frankfurt Motor Show – True or False
3. The Rover Group's Chief designer for the MGF was who?
4. Which small sports car encouraged Rover to continue with the MGF – the Mazda MX5, Toyota MR2, Lotus Elan or the Fiat Barchetta?
5. The EXF achieved what speed at Bonneville in 1997 – 0mph, 197.40mph, 207.40mph or 217.40mph?
6. The MGF's third birthday party was held by enthusiasts at which venue – Gaydon, Beaulieu, Brooklands or Haynes?
7. Which company purchased Rover Group in 1994?
8. The K series V6 engine was used in the production MGF – True or False.
9. The EX255 achieved what speed at Bonneville in 1998 – 0mph, 200mph, 245mph or 255mph?

11993

2 False (Geneva)

3 Gerry McGovern

4 Mazda MX5

5 217.40 mph

6 Brooklands

7 BMW

8 False

9 0mph (failed to run)



2000s

1. In 2000, Rover Group was sold to who – Alchemy, Phoenix, NAC or SAIC?
2. MG returned to race at Le Mans in 2001 – True or False
3. Upon the takeover which three Rover cars were given MG makeovers?
4. The Qvale Mangusta was the basis for what MG car?

1 Phoenix

2 True (MG Lola)

3 25, 45, 75

4 MG SV or SVR

5. Who was the Chief designer of the MGTF?
6. Who unveiled the MGTF at its launch – Kylie Minogue, Kerry Katona, Sophie Ellis-Bextor or Gerry Horner?
7. In 2004 MG Rover were in talks to form a partnership with SAIC – True or False.
8. The MG3 SW was a re badged version of what MG Rover product – MGTF, Rover 25 Streetwise, CityRover or the Rover 45?
9. The Speed car MG ZTT X15 was built by the So-Cal Speed shop in California – True or False.

5 Peter Stevens

6 Sophie Ellis-Bextor

7 True

8 Rover 25 Streetwise

9 True



2010s

1. When Nanjing (NAC) took over MG Rover how many global sales of MG were they predicting by 2012 – 50,000, 100,000, 200,000 or 250,000?
2. The MG6 initially came in two guises, the GT and what other name from the past – Magna, Magnette, Midget or Maestro?
3. In what country was the MG3 not assembled – England, China, Thailand or India?
4. The MG3 Trophy Championship concept car was unveiled at the MG Car Club's MG90 event in 2014 – True or False
5. The MG3 2nd Generation was shown at the Beijing Auto Show in 2010 – what was it called there – MG Zero, MG Metro, Citycar or MG3?
6. The first MG SUV was the – ZS, GS or HS?
7. In India the MGZS was initially known as the – MG Hector, MG Astor, MG Alfred or MG Marvel?
8. The MG GS was designed by the British Anthony Williams-Kenny – True or False
9. What is the Roewe Ei5 known as in the UK?

1 200,000

2 Magnette

3 India

4 True

5 MG Zero

6 MG GS

7 MG Astor

8 True

9 MG5



2020s

1. What is the MG Mulan known as in the UK?
2. The MG4 high-powered X-Power reactivated another name from the past in China – was it Austin, Healey, Triumph or Riley?
3. The MG4 X-Power can do 0-60mph in – 3.0secs, 3.2secs, 3.8secs, 4.5secs?
4. The MG EX4 was shown at Goodwood last year as a tribute to what iconic MG?
5. The MG HS was produced as an all electric model in 2023 – True or False.
6. The MG Cyberster was driven from the UK to Shanghai by who – The Taylor Twins, The Thompson Twins, The Thornton Twins or The Turner Twins?
7. The top range version of the Cyberster produces how much horse power – 366hp, 436hp, 536hp or 606hp?
8. A brand new MG3 has just been shown and will shortly be for sale, what is the power source – Petrol, PHEV Hybrid, Hybrid Plus, Battery EV
9. Which of these is not an MG model – MG Hector, MG Comet, MG Extender or MG Maximum?

- 1 MG4
- 2 Triumph
- 3 3.8secs
- 4 MG 6R4
- 5 False (Hybrid)
- 6 The Turner Twins
- 7 536hp
- 8 Hybrid Plus
- 9 MG Maximum

BONUS QUESTION TO MAKE 100!

What MG was the one millionth* produced and why (other than being the millionth) was it special? (*Note: incorrect question – should have been the 1.5millionth!)

2002 Queen's Golden Jubilee MGTF (1975 MGB roadster green with gold stripe – the grand prize in a 50th Anniversary rally in New England would have been accepted)

THANKS FOR TAKING PART – IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU HAVEN'T ANSWERED ALL THE QUESTIONS BUT PLEASE HAND YOUR SHEETS IN TO THE CONTROL POINT IN THE Paddock BY 2.30PM.