

# Disney Movie Trivia Questions and Answers

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## 1. Flora, Fauna, and Merryweather

*The three fairies give Aurora the gift of beauty, the gift of song, and the last gift is to weaken Maleficent's curse so that Aurora falls into a deep sleep instead of dying. Verna Felton, who is the voice of Flora, is also the voice of the fairy godmother in Cinderella.*

## 2. "Man" from Bambi

*He was voted #20 on the American Film Institute's list of the of the 100 greatest villains (#1 is Hannibal Lecter). Man was represented in the film by a 3-note motif, which later inspired the 2-note shark theme for Jaws. "Man is in the forest" was a code phrase used by Disney's employees when Walt Disney was coming down the hallway.*

## 3. Flotsam and Jetsam

*Ah Disney, look at you being educational! Flotsam is floating wreckage of a ship or its cargo (not deliberately thrown overboard). Jetsam is unwanted materials or goods that have been thrown overboard and washed ashore (deliberately thrown overboard to help lighten a ship). The two moray eels each have one yellow eye on opposite sides from each other. They are one of the few Disney villain henchmen who are not portrayed comically or as being inefficient.*

## 4. Aquata, Andrina, Arista, Attina, Adella, Alana, and Ariel

*Triton's seven daughters all have names that begin with the letter "A", but Ariel's is the only one that does not end with that letter. She is also the only one whose hair is red, whose tail color is not the same as her top, and whose hair is down. Ariel's face is actually modeled after Alyssa Milano from her days on the show Who's The Boss.*

## 5. Jafar

*Patrick Stewart turned down several Disney offers due to scheduling conflicts with Star Trek: The Next Generation including: Zazu (The Lion King), Governor Ratcliffe (Pocahontas), Zeus (Hercules), King Triton (The Little Mermaid), and Cogsworth (Beauty and the Beast). It's okay Captain Picard. You will always have the Enterprise.*

## 6. Khan

*Khaaaaaan! Both Khan and Cri-Kee were voiced by Frank Welker who was the voice of Megatron in the Transformers franchise. Mulan launched the career of Christina Aguilera for her song “Reflections”. During the song, the writing on the temple stones in the shrine is the names of the Disney animators who worked on the film, written in ancient Chinese.*

# Soundtrack Trivia

## 7. The Lion King

*The original motion picture soundtrack from The Lion King was released on July 13, 1994 by Walt Disney records. It was the fourth bestselling album of the year on the Billboard 200 and the top-selling soundtrack. The complete instrumental score for the film was never given a full release by Disney. It was only released in 2014 for the soundtrack’s commemorative 20th anniversary re-release.*

## 8. Angela Lansbury

*The iconic title song was almost sung by a different person. When asked to record the theme song Lansbury felt that her voice did not suite the melody and initially declined. After being persuaded to try, Lansbury nailed the song in one take. This version of the song went on to win an Oscar for Best Original Song and became a “tale as old as time”.*

## 9. Pocahontas

*Unlike many Disney characters, which had a separate voice actor and singer, Mel Gibson did both for the character John Smith. For Pocahontas II: Journey to a New World John Smith is voiced by Mel Gibson’s brother Donal Gibson. Pocahontas was released in 1995 exactly 400 years after the real Pocahontas was born. The soundtrack received two Academy Awards and ended up with a triple platinum certification.*

## 10. “A Whole New World”

*The iconic song from Disney’s Aladdin won at the 36th Annual Grammy Awards. The original version from the 1992 film was sung by Lea Salonga and Brad Kane. This was the third duet song sung by a Disney Princess and a Disney Prince. The first was “So This Is Love” sung by Cinderella and Prince Charming. The second was “Once Upon a Dream” sung by Princess Aurora and Prince Philip. “A Whole New World” was sung by Princess Jasmine and by Aladdin (Prince Ali).*

## 11. Fourteen (fifteen if you want to get technical)

The fourteen winners are: "When You Wish Upon a Star" from *Pinocchio*, "Zip-a-Dee-Doo-Dah" from *Song of the South*, "Chim Chim Cher-ee" from *Mary Poppins*, "Beauty and the Beast" from *Beauty and the Beast*, "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" from *The Lion King*, "If I Didn't Have You" from *Monsters, Inc.*, "Under the Sea" from *The Little Mermaid*, "A Whole New World" from *Aladdin*, "Colors of the Wind" from *Pocahontas*, "We Belong Together" from *Toy Story 3*, "Man or Muppet" from *The Muppets*, "You'll Be In My Heart" from *Tarzan*, "Let It Go" from *Frozen*, and "Remember Me" from *Coco*.

You might technically add one more on to this list, "Sooner or Later" from *Dick Tracy*. It wasn't included in the main list because it was released by Disney under the Touchstone Pictures label instead of the Walt Disney Pictures banner because of its adult themes.

## 12. Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

The classic 1937 Disney film was, not only the first Disney film, but the first American film to have a soundtrack album. At the time, Disney did not have its own music publishing company so the soundtrack was produced by Bourne Co. Music Publishers. In later years, Disney was able to buy back the rights to many of their films, but not for *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*.

# Quotes Trivia

## 13. Thumper in Bambi

The animation from the 1942 film has been reused more often than animation from any other Disney film. Usually, the animation is of birds and nature, and the main characters are very rarely re-used. However, Bambi's mother appears in the very first shot of *Beauty and the Beast*. She is also featured in *The Sword in the Stone*, *The Rescuers*, and *The Jungle Book*.

## 14. Peter Pan in Peter Pan

The classic Disney film introduced one of Disney's most heavily branded characters: Tinker Bell. She is often used as a symbol for the Disney brand and can be seen in the opening credits of many Disney films sprinkling pixie dust over the Disney castle with a wand. However, in the original 1953 film she never had a wand. While rumors have persisted that Marilyn Monroe was the real-life model for Tink, Margaret Kerry was the actual model, and her measurements were 35-25-36.

## **15. Lumiere in Beauty and the Beast**

*The 1991 film was the first animated film to win a Golden Globe for Best Picture - Musical or Comedy. It was also the first animated film to be nominated for the Academy Award for Best Picture. Belle's blue and white dress, as well as her hairstyle, were inspired by Dorothy in The Wizard of Oz.*

## **16. Jiminy Cricket in Pinocchio**

*The iconic song "When You Wish Upon a Star" from the 1940 film won an Oscar for Best Original Song. The film marked the first time that famous voices were used for character voices. Jiminy Cricket was voiced by Clifton Edwards who was a popular singer and actor in the 1920's and 1930's. He is most remembered for his number one hit song "Singin' In The Rain" from 1929.*

## **17. Jasmine in Aladdin**

*The 1992 film starring the legendary Robin Williams as The Genie was the first animated film to gross more than 200 million dollars. Because Robin Williams ad-libbed so many of his lines, the script was turned down for an Academy Award nomination for Best Adapted Screenplay.*

## **18. Laverne in The Hunchback of Notre Dame**

*Laverne was named after Laverne Andrews. The other two gargoyles from the film were named Victor and Hugo after Victor Hugo, the author of the novel the movie was based on. When Quasimodo sings "Out There" you can see Belle walking and reading a book in the streets of Paris.*

## **19. Merlin in The Sword in the Stone**

*The 1963 film was the last film that Walt Disney produced, since he died during the production of The Jungle Book. Character designer Bill Peet used Walt Disney as the model for Merlin. Peet thought that they had similar personality traits, and gave Merlin Walt's nose.*

## **20. Cinderella in Cinderella**

*The 1950 classic is widely considered as one of the best American animated films ever made. It received three Academy Award nominations, including Best Music, Original Song for the iconic "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo". Cinderella was the first Disney film to have its songs published by the newly created Walt Disney Music Company.*

## **21. Rapunzel in Tangled**

*The 2010 film is Disney's 50th animated film. It is also the most expensive Disney film to date. It was in production for six years and cost an estimated \$260 million dollars. Rapunzel is the only Disney princess with green eyes.*

# **Non-Animated Disney Movies Trivia**

## **22. 1993**

*The film starred Don Ameche, Michael J. Fox, and Sally Fields as the voices of Shadow, Chance, and Sassy. The heartwarming Disney film was dedicated to producer Franklin R. Levy, who died during the film's production.*

## **23. Newsies**

*The 1992 film was one of the lowest grossing live-action films ever produced by Disney when it was released. The film later gained a cult following after it was released on home video, and the film earned back all of its budget on home rentals. Newsies went on to inspire a Broadway musical that won two Tony Awards.*

## **24. Winifred, Mary, and Sarah**

*The 1993 Disney film has become a cult classic around Halloween. The movie stars Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker, and Kathy Najimy. It also launched the career of Sean Murray a.k.a. Timothy McGee of NCIS fame. He played the young Thackery Binx and was nominated for the Young Artist Award for Best Youth Actor Leading Role in a Motion Picture Comedy.*

## **25. The Parent Trap**

*In the film Lohan starred as both Hallie Parker and Annie James. She won a Young Artist Award for Best Performance in a Feature Film for her acting. Both Scarlett Johansson and Michelle Trachtenberg auditioned for the part but ultimately lost to Lohan.*

## **26. Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl**

*The 2003 film premiered at Disneyland to capitalize on the original Pirates of the Caribbean ride. The film won numerous awards and grossed over \$654 million worldwide. The heavy makeup that Johnny Depp wore was originally used during a cave scene to make all the actors not look quite so washed out. When the crew realized that Depp rocked the look they kept it for him for the rest of the film.*

## **27. Travis Coates**

*Arguably one of the saddest movies for the baby boomer age, millions have cried at the ending of Old Yeller. The movie was based on the novel of the same name written by Fred Gipson. The sounds of Old Yeller growling and snarling after he becomes rabid were re-used by Walt Disney Productions during both of Tramp's fight scenes in Lady and the Tramp.*

## **28. East High School**

*Home of the Wildcats! In the film, the high school is located in New Mexico, but in reality, the school is located in Utah. The students there still use Sharpay's pink locker from the film. The soundtrack from the film has sold 5,000,000 copies in the United States. This makes it the best-selling TV soundtrack since 1991 when Nielsen SoundScan started tracking music sales. The soundtrack was recorded in just five days.*

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