



Latvia



**Does Latvia have one of the  
fastest Wifi?**

a) Yes

b) No

# Latvia - the Wifi paradise



- Latvia's internet speed is among the fastest in the world, averaging 13.8MB/s
- Compared to 11.6 in the UK, 11.9 in the US, 7.5 in France, 3.4 in Brazil and 1.7 in Egypt
- In Riga there are 800 free connection points, that's why there's no need to pay





**What is the most popular sport in Latvia?**



- a) Basketball
- b) Skiing
- c) Ice hockey

# Ice hockey

- The most popular sport in Latvia is ice hockey, and it punches well above its weight for a small country
- Dozens of Latvians play in the NHL and KHL, and the national team's fans are regarded as the loudest and most passionate around



How much of Latvia is covered by forests?



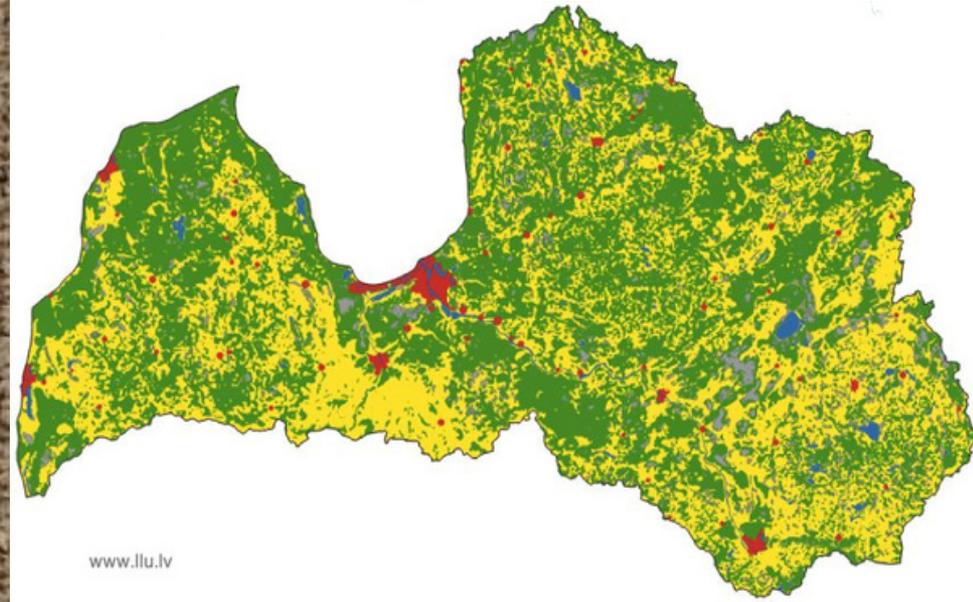
a)  $\frac{1}{3}$

b)  $\frac{1}{2}$

c)  $\frac{1}{5}$

# Forests

- Over half of the territory is covered by forests, so Latvia is a very green place
- Locals love to pick mushrooms and berries from their local forests for home or commercial usage



# How did latvians try to surpass Suur Munamagi - the highest point of Estonia



- a) They built a tower on Gaiziņkalns (highest point of Latvia)
- b) They put some rocks on the Gaiziņkalns
- c) They tried to make Suur Munamagi shorter



# Friendly rivalry with Estonia



- Latvia is anything but mountainous. Its highest point is Gaiziņkalns, at 312 metres about sea level
- In order to surpass Suur Munamagi at 318 metres, they built a tower on top
- It was demolished in 2012 due to safety risks



When was the Latvian's  
current flag design created?



- a) 1280
- b) 1765
- c) 1918
- d) 1562

# Latvian flag

- Latvia's current flag design is used since 1280
- Only Denmark's and Austria's flag has been around longer



**Approximately how long is  
the sea coast of Latvia?**



- a) 200km
- b) 500 km
- c) 750 km

# Coast of Latvia

- With almost 500 km of the coast, Latvia has lots of beaches
- There is space for everyone, whether you want to have fun in the sun or miles of sand to yourself, and best of all it's all open to the public



**How many rivers are  
there in Latvia?**



- a) 12000
- b) 1000
- c) 895

# Rivers



- Latvia has 12,000 rivers and 3,000 small lakes - perfect if you like boat rides
- The total length of rivers flowing in Latvia is 38,400m, the length of the equator is 40,000m
- Latvia has the widest waterfall in Europe - Ventas Rumba, its width is 249m



Which city is the oldest in  
Latvia?



- a) Rīga
- b) Ludza
- c) Cēsis
- d) Rēzekne



# Ludza



- The first chronicles about this city of Latgale date back to 1177
- In the eastern part of Latvia, this beautiful region, rich in lakes and forests, was chosen for living by the Baltic Latgalian tribes as early as the first millennium BC



**Which is the most popular  
food in Latvia ?**



- a) Carrots
- b) Strawberries
- c) Potatoes
- d) Peas

# Potatoes



- The most popular food in Latvia is the potato
- On average, one person eats 78 kilograms per year



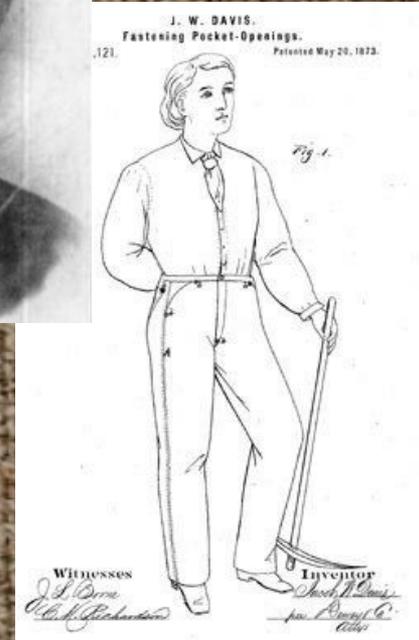
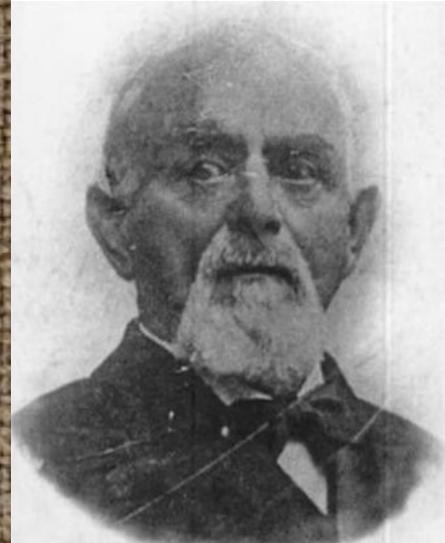
# Who created the modern blue jeans?



- a) Jacob William Davis
- b) Jānis Čakste
- c) Donald Trump

# Blue jeans

- Jacob William Davis (Jēkabs Deivis) was a Latvian, American tailor who invented modern jeans
- Growing up in Latvia, he emigrated to the US as a young man
- He created jeans by using sturdy cloth and rivets to strengthen weak points in the seams, and partnered with Levi Strauss to mass-produce them



Is Latvian one of the oldest languages in Europe?



a) Yes

b) No

# An old language

- Latvian is one of the oldest languages in Europe
- Some of its elements are as old as 500 years



**Where is the tallest television tower in the European Union?**



- a) Moscow
- b) Berlin
- c) Riga



# Television and radio tower



- At 368,5 metres, it is not only the tallest television tower in the Baltics, but also the tallest in the European Union and the 13th tallest television tower in the world

