

## A very famous Portuguese bookstore

**Lello Bookstore** (*In Portuguese: Livraria Lello*) is one of the oldest bookstores in Portugal.

It is situated in the second largest city of Portugal where J.K. Rowling, the author of *Harry Potter*, lived for 10 years. People say that her inspiration to write *Harry Potter* has begun in that city and at that bookstore. There are great similarities between Lello's bookstore staircase and the one described in *Hogwarts*.



Lello Bookstore is considered as one of the most beautiful bookstores in the world.

The store has a neo-gothic facade, where we can see two figures painted by José Bielman, representing science and art. The awesome interior was designed by Xavier Esteves.

Go to <http://porto.360portugal.com/Concelho/Porto/LivrariaLello/index.php> and get a 360-degree views of Lello Bookstore.

*By Joana Pereira (Class 5F)*

### Questions:

1. What is the name of the second largest city of Portugal? - 2 points
2. When was the building inaugurated? (day/month/year) – 3 points



Hi! Do you know her?

She is **Ana Moura** and she sings Fado.

She was born on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 1979 in Santarém, a historic city of Portugal near the river Tejo and located on the northeast of Lisbon.

Her first album was “Guarda-me a vida na mão” released in 2003.

She has performed with several international artists such as Prince, The Rolling Stones, Caetano Veloso, Gilberto Gil and Herbie Hancock.

In 2007 she sang with Mick Jagger “No expectations” in the The Rolling Stones concert at the Alvalade XXI stadium in Lisbon and in 2010 Ana Moura and Prince sang together a Portuguese version of “Walk in the sand” and the *fado* “Vou dar de beber à dor” in the *Festival Super Bock/ Super Rock* in Portugal.



How do you say Fado singer in Portuguese? (one word)

Was she the youngest singer to be nominated for a Dutch Edison Music Awards?

What is her latest album released in 2015?



Hello. This is **Joana Vasconcelos** and she is an artist.

She was born in a foreign country but she is Portuguese and lives and works in Lisbon.

Vasconcelos uses several everyday life objects to make her sculptures such as bottles, pans and so on.



Her participation in the 2005 edition of the Venice Biennale affirmed her career within the international art circuit with the piece *A Noiva (The Bride)*, a 20 ft. high chandelier.



She was the first contemporary woman artist with an exhibition in the Palace of Versailles.

Where was she born?

Which objects did she use to make the chandelier “The bride”?

When was her exhibition in the Palace of Versailles?

The Douro region is well known for its beautiful landscapes, its terraced vineyards, surrounded by shale walls, and the famous Port wine.



In the month of September, the grapes are collected and put in large stone tanks called “lagares” where some men squash them using their feet, while others sing along playing the accordion and the guitar.

A long time ago, Port wine was carried along the Douro river to its mouth in small wooden boats to be stored in cellars and it was known in Lamego as sweet wine. Nowadays, Port wine is transported in tanker trucks.



What is the Portuguese name of the small wooden boats? (2 points)

The mouth of the Douro is bordered by two cities. Which are they? (2 points)

In which year was the Douro Wine region classified by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site? (1 point)

## Rock-Art in Côa Valley

The Prehistoric Rock-Art Site of the Côa Valley is an open-air Paleolithic archaeological site located in a region of northeastern Portugal, near the border with Spain.

Listed as a World Heritage Site by Unesco, it is considered “the most important open air Paleolithic rock art site”.

Do you want to know more about Rock-Art in Côa Valley?

Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8SpQ3VOq9I4>



### Question 1:

In which year was the Foz Côa Valley listed as a World Heritage Site by Unesco? (2 points)

### Question 2:

How many engraved drawings of animals and human figures can you see in the Foz Côa Valley?(2 points)

## The Lisbon Oceanarium

The Lisbon Oceanarium (Oceanário de Lisboa) is the second largest aquarium in Europe, after L'Océanogràfic in Valencia. It's in the "parquet das Nações", on the river "Tejo", and you have to cross a footbridge to get there.

The Oceanarium has got two floors, and everything rotates around a huge central aquarium.

On the top floor we can see water-dwelling animals that live closest to the water surface, while on the lower floor we can find deep-sea creatures.



It houses about 16,000 individuals of 450 species, including several types of sharks, stingrays, manta rays and colourful tropical fish.

This oceanarium was considered several times **The Best Aquarium of the World** by TripAdvisor.

By Vânia Costa and Matilde Novais (6.º E)

### Question 1:

In which year was the Lisbon Oceanarium inaugurated? (2 points)

### Question 2:

How many times was the Lisbon Oceanarium considered **The Best Aquarium of the World** by TripAdvisor? (2 points)

## Azores archipelago – Portugal



The Archipelago of the Azores, along with the Madeira archipelago, is an autonomous region of Portugal and it is in the North Atlantic Ocean. It is a part of the Macronésia region, where Madeira, the Canary Islands, Cape Verde and the African Northwest are also included.

The Azores archipelago has got nine islands: Flores, Corvo, Graciosa, Terceira, São Jorge, Pico, Faial São Miguel and Santa Maria. They are all from volcanic origin and are divided into three groups.

1. What are names of the island groups? (3 points)
2. Which is the largest island? (1 point)
3. What is the capital of this archipelago? (1 point)



4. What can you eat that is slowly cooked inside the sand? (1 point)



## The Lamego Museum

The Lamego Museum is housed in the old Episcopal Palace, rebuilt in the

18th century by the Bishop Manuel de Vasconcelos Pereira.

Amongst other exhibits, in this museum you can see:

- the paintings of Vasco Fernandes, known as Grão Vasco;
- the Flemish tapestries (There is a tapestry alluding to the Judgement in Paradise, entitled the Temple of Latone, illustrated with mythological episodes relating to the goddess Latone and four tapestries telling the story of Oedipus, the most tragic episode in Greek mythology.)
- Portuguese and Indo-Portuguese furniture, various ceramic pieces, including some seventeenth-century tile panels, gold and silver jewellery, and a rich collection of religious vestments.



In which year was the museum founded? (1 point)

How many paintings of Grão Vasco has this museum got? (2 points)

Where were the tapestries manufactured? (2 points)

## Serra da Estrela



The Serra da Estrela is the highest mountain range in the mainland Portugal and the “Torre” is the highest peak.



The “Parque Natural da Serra da Estrela” is rich in flora and fauna.



In the Serra da Estrela, there is a ski resort that offers tracks for all experience levels, from easy to difficult.



This region is well known by its local cheese and it is home to one



of the oldest dog breeds in the Iberian Peninsula - the Cão da Serra da Estrela. This dog is a mountain dog traditionally used to help guard the sheep and other livestock, in addition to the farms and homes.

1. How tall is the “Torre”? (1 point)
2. The Serra da Estrela is the source of three rivers. What are their names? (3 points)
3. When is the ski resort open? (2 points)
4. What kind of milk is used to make the local cheese? (1 point)

## Madeira Archipelago – Portugal

The Madeira Archipelago is situated in the Atlantic



Ocean, 500 km distant from Africa, 1000 km from the mainland Portugal.

The Archipelago is constituted by two inhabited islands, Madeira and Porto Santo, and two subarchipelagos: Desertas and Selvagens.

The archipelago is famous for its very mild weather and luxuriant vegetation. Hence, Madeira is often known as “The Atlantic Pearl” or “Atlantic Garden”. Porto Santo or the “Golden island” is famous for its nice beach, in an arid landscape.

Madeira island is also famous for the natural



patrimony, namely the Laurissilva Forest, classified by UNESCO as a World Natural Heritage Site.

1. What is the main island of the archipelago? (1 point)
2. What is the name of the capital of the archipelago? (1 point)
3. Are the subarchipelagos inhabited? (1 point)
4. When was the Laurissilva Forest classified as a World Natural Heritage Site? (1 point)