Quiz of the Decade - Answers

1. On which television programme which started in the UK in 2000, could you hear the voice of Marcus Bentley?
   *He is the narrator on Big Brother.*

2. Facebook became the internet phenomena of the decade, but who invented it?
   *It was credited to Mark Zuckerberg.*

3. Who or what was Tecwen Whittock?
   *The man who coughed during the Who Wants to be a Millionaire cheating scandal.*

4. Which films won the Best Picture Oscar in the following years of the Noughties: (i) 2000 (ii) 2002 (iii) 2003 (iv) 2007 and (v) 2008?
   *The Oscar winners were (i) Gladiator, (ii) Chicago, (iii) Lord of the Rings [The Return of the King], (iv) No Country for old Men (v) Slumdog Millionaire*

5. On the 23 April 2005, "Me at the Zoo" lasting 19 seconds was the first what?
   *It was the first video posted on YouTube*

   *Al Gore.*

7. What group reformed to play a single gig at Live8?
   *It was Pink Floyd*

8. For what did a German fruit importer pay Â£42608 in London in November 2001?
   *A round of drinks!! it apparently included 40 bottles of Cristal and 20 bottles of Bollinger amongst others.*

9. What campaign slogan did Barrack Obama share with Bob the Builder?
   *"YES, WE CAN"*

10. In what month and year of the decade were the following Microsoft products launched: (i) Windows Me, (ii) Windows XP, (iii) Windows Vista, (iv) Windows 7 and (v) Bing
    *Bill Gates was busy in the following months (i) September 2000, (ii) October 2001, (iii) January 2007, (iv) October 2009 and (slightly out of order) (v) June 2009.*

11. What UK telly favourite was forced to admit that her weight loss was due to having a gastric band fitted in 2008?
    *It was Fern Britton*

12. Why did the number of planets in the solar system drop from nine to eight in August 2006?
    *Pluto's status was changed from planet to dwarf planet.*

13. What was started by Jimmy Wales in 2001?
    *He is responsible for starting Wikipedia*

14. Three new games consoles were launched in the middle of the 2000s. What were they and which one had sold most units at the end of the decade?
    *The three were the Xbox 360, PlayStation 3 and the Wii. The Wii being the biggest seller.*

15. Where were the following Olympic Games held: (i) Summer 2000, (ii) Winter 2002, (iii) Summer 2004, (iv) Winter 2006 and (v) Summer 2008?
    *The games were held in the following cities (i) Sydney Australia, (ii) Salt Lake City, USA, (iii) Athens, Greece, (iv) Turin, Italy and (v) Beijing, China.*

16. What natural disaster did the concert held at the Millenium Stadium in Cardiff on 22nd January 2005 raise funds for?
    *The Asian Tsunami of Boxing Day 2004.*
17. What were the highest grossing films in the following years: (i) 2000, (ii) 2001, (iii) 2002, (iv) 2004 and (v) 2008
   The films were (i) Mission Impossible II, (ii) Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, (iii) The Lord of the Rings - The Two
   Towers, (iv) Shrek 2 and (v) The Dark Knight.

   They were (i) Maurice Gibb, (ii) Nina Simone, (iii) Barry White, (iv) Johnny Cash and (v) Bobby Hatfield.

19. Codenamed "Dulcimer", what was launched in 2001?
   It was the iPod.

20. What ceremony did Shannon Sickles and Grainne Close take part in Belfast on 19 December 2005?
   They became the first gay couple to be married in the UK.