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## Weekly Newsquiz – September 14

1. What communist nation, which is formally named a "people's republic," was founded 70 years ago and recently celebrated its anniversary with a massive parade?
2. On what U.S. island (also a town and county) are scientists and residents debating a proposal to use genetically modified mice to try to reduce a disease spread by ticks?
3. In what U.S. state would you find the town of Shanksville, where President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump visited a memorial to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack victims of United Airlines Flight 93?
4. At what U.S. landmark, which was another site of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, did Vice President Mike Pence and Defense Secretary James Mattis attend a ceremonial wreath laying this week?
5. Forecasters predicted that Hurricane Florence would make landfall in the U.S. on Friday afternoon. "Landfall" occurs when what part of the hurricane passes over land?
6. What dwarf planet, which used to have planetary status, was the subject of new research published in the journal Icarus?
7. Name the city in Syria that's been characterized as the last significant holdout for rebels in the country's 7-year-old civil war.
8. The bankruptcy of the Lehman Brothers financial services company was a major milestone in what multi-year event?
9. What Pacific island nation is bracing for a direct hit from Super Typhoon Mangkhut?
10. A study recently released by BirdLife International said that what specific type of parrot, a native of Brazil, is now extinct in the wild?