CUP FINAL THURSDAY 16 MAY 2013

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First Verbal Round

1 Who wrote the poem Night Mail?

W. H. Auden

2 Which British battle took place on 9 September 1513?

Flodden Field

3 Who wrote the piece of music entitled *In the Steppes of Central Asia*?

Alexander Borodin

4 Which World War II naval commander has a statue on the pier head at Liverpool?

Frederic 'Johnny' Walker

(The most successful anti-U-Boat commander on North Atlantic convoys)

5 Which British inventor designed the reflective road safety device known as a cat's eye?

Percy Shaw

6 Henry Winstanley (1644–1703) was involved in the early development of what type of building?

Lighthouses

(He built the first Eddystone lighthouse and died in it when it was swept away in a storm in 1703)

7 Which history-making first will be achieved in 2013 by Marin Alsop?

First female conductor at the Last Night of the Proms

8 Lord Eddard 'Ned' Stark and King Robert Baratheon are characters from which TV series?

A Game of Thrones

9 As of 3 May 2013, who is leader of the UK Green Party?

Natalie Bennett

Who is the author of a series of crime novels featuring a central character named Agatha Raisin?

M. C. Beaton (also accept 'Marion Chesney', the author's real name)

According to recent reports which extremely voracious fish from Asia is now thought to inhabit the fishing pond in New York's Central Park?

Snakehead

Tomasina Miers, Mat Follas and Tim Anderson are all winners of which national competition?

MasterChef

Hindley Green, Worsley Mesnes (pronounced 'mains') and Orrell form part of which UK Parliamentary constituency?

Makerfield

14 Who wrote the stories In the Days of the Comet and The Food of the Gods?

H. G. Wells

15 Who did the voiceover for the children's cartoon series *Roobarb and Custard*?

Richard Briers

16 In which city did the 2013 edition of the Giro d'Italia start?

Naples

17 Lev Davidovich Bronstein was better known by which name?

Leon Trotsky

18 What was the nom-de-plume of the novelist François-Marie Arouet?

Voltaire

19 By what name do we now know the former British colony of Nyasaland?

Malawi

20 In British Railway terms, what was known as 'the Plant'?

Doncaster Locomotive Works

21 Who was manager of Everton FC when they won the FA Cup final in 1995?

Joe Royle

Only five chemical elements have four letters in their name. gold, lead, iron and zinc are four, what is the fifth?

Neon

23 Sir John Gielgud was a descendant of which famous Victorian acting family?

The Terry family

24 Earlier this month Dame Helen Mirren left the theatre to complain to some drummers. In which play was she appearing?

The Audience

25 What are the first names of the Chuckle brothers?

Barry and Paul

26 Why were Ryan McDonald and Stevie McMullen in the news in April this year?

They were freed from a prison van on its way to court in Salford

27 What is the date of Australia Day?

26 January

28 Give a year in the life of novelist and dramatist Henry Fielding?

1707-1754

29 Who had a No.4 UK hit single in 1982 with I Love Rock 'n' Roll?

Joan Jett and the Blackhearts

30 In which year of the 1980s did the worldwide stock market crash known as Black Monday occur?

1987

First Written Round

No theme, but each question has three possible answers: you just need to give one

31 Name one of the three non-county cricket teams in this season's Yorkshire Bank 40 cricket competition.

One from: Scotland (or Saltires), Netherlands, Unicorns

32 Name one of the top three twentieth century British films according to the 1999 BFI List.

One from: The Third Man, Brief Encounter, Lawrence of Arabia

33 Name one of the three books of the *Sword of Honour* trilogy.

One from: Men at Arms, Officers and Gentlemen, Unconditional Surrender

34 Name one of the three clubs besides Chelsea that have won all three European football competitions (i.e. European Cup/Champions League; Cup Winners Cup; UEFA Cup/Europa League).

One from: Juventus, Ajax, Bayern Munich

35 Name one of the three stages of money laundering.

One from: Placement, Layering, Integration

36 Name one of the three types of muscle found in the human body.

One from: Smooth, skeletal, cardiac

37 Name one of the three-man crew of Apollo 8 that orbited the Moon at Christmas 1968.

One from: Borman, Lovell, Anders

Name one of the three non-compilation albums recorded and released by the late Nick Drake.

One from: Five Leaves Left, Bryter Layter, Pink Moon

39 Name one of the three countries whose flags consist of two equal vertical stripes in two colours.

One from: Algeria, Malta, Vatican City

40 Name one of the three countries in the world that produce the most bananas (tonnage).

One from: India, Uganda, China

Second Verbal Round

41 What does the abbreviation *PIR* stand for in relation to motion detectors such as on security lights?

Passive InfraRed (sensor)

The government has recently announced a vaccination programme, starting in Sept 2013, to immunise 70-year-olds against what?

Shingles (also accept 'herpes zoster')

43 Who starred in both the films The Bridge on the River Kwai and The Bridges at Toko Ri?

William Holden

44 By what soubriquet was John Graham, 7th Laird of Claverhouse, known to his followers?

Bonnie Dundee

Opened in 1877, what in terms of railway history is the claim to fame of the St Ives/St Erth branch line in Cornwall?

Last wide-gauge passenger line to be built in Britain

Which Bacharach/David song, originally a B-side release by Dionne Warwick, was a US Top 10 hit for Dusty Springfield and a UK Top 20 hit for The Merseybeats?

Wishin' and Hopin'

47 What city gives its name to Mozart's 36th symphony?

Linz

48 The Maipo, Rapel and Maule Valleys are wine-growing regions in which country?

Chile

What specifically are Sea off Akata, Sea off Sado, Northern Sea off Kanto and Sea off Kagoshima?

Japanese shipping forecast areas

What common role or position was previously held by US Presidents John Adams, James Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Martin Van Buren and James Buchanan?

All US Ambassadors to the UK (Court of St James's)

What was the purpose of His Majesty's Prison, Shepton Mallet, Somerset, between 1942 and 1945, during which time it witnessed 18 executions.

US Military Prison (for US personnel)

52 Which country is currently scheduled to join the Eurozone in Jan 2014?

Latvia

53 Which National Hunt racecourse is situated on the A29 between Chichester and Bognor

Regis?

Fontwell Park

54 On which Head of State did Peter Tatchell make a citizen's arrest in London in 1999?

Robert Mugabe

Which river rises in the Pyrenees and flows for 374 miles through Toulouse and into the Gironde estuary?

Garonne

What German word for 'form' or 'shape' is used in English to refer to a concept of 'wholeness'?

Gestalt

Which eponymous Dickens character falls in love with and becomes engaged to Mary Graham, leading to him being disinherited by his grandfather?

Martin Chuzzlewit

58 Which organisation's logo, seen widely around London, is known as *The Roundel*?

London Underground

59 By what name was the Football League cup known as between 1998-2003?

Worthington Cup

60 In mathematics what can be additive, annihilating, harmonic and double factorial?

Prime numbers

61 Which character in *Glee* is played by actor Matthew Morrison?

Will Schuester

Whose first UK government position was as Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies in 1905?

Winston Churchill

63 Cassiterite is an ore of which metal?

Tin

Who is to play Lady Macbeth opposite Kenneth Branagh at this summer's Manchester International Festival?

Alex Kingston

65 At just under 15,000 ft, Mount Wilhelm is the highest mountain in which country?

Papua New Guinea

66 Cokelek and Lor are the two main types of unsalted cheese originating from which country?

Turkey

67 Fig, cuckoo, spider, potter and paper are all types of which creature?

Wasp

Who wrote the lyrics to the version of the Skye Boat Song that includes the lines: 'Mull was astern, Rum to the port, Eigg on the starboard bow?

Robert Louis Stevenson

69 What was the name of the two-seater sports car launched by Rootes Group in 1953?

Sunbeam Alpine

70 Which US State capital is served by Will Rogers World Airport?

Oklahoma City

Second Written Round

71 Name the Pope who was elected in 1958. (i.e. Papal name and number)

John XXIII

West Tip won the Grand National, Steaua Bucharest won the European Cup and Greg Norman won the Open Championship in which year?

1986

73 In the 1950s radio comedy *The Goon Show* who provided the voices for Minnie Bannister and Count Jim Moriarty?

Spike Milligan

74 Nuku'alofa is the capital of which Pacific island state?

Tonga

75 Linate Airport serves which European city?

Milan

76 *Alcedo atthis* is the Latin name for which bird?

Kingfisher

77 The Irish counties of Meath and Kildare are in which province?

Leinster

78 Who is the current President of France?

François Hollande

79 "Fasten your seatbelts it's going to be a bumpy ride" is a quote from which Bette Davis film?

All About Eve

80 In the book of Genesis who was the wife of Isaac and mother of Jacob and Esau?

Rebecca

'Extra Time' Written Round

1 Kazakhstan has land borders with China, Russia, Uzbekistan and which other two countries?

Kyrgyzstan and Turkmenistan

2 What is the only mammal completely covered in scales?

Pangolin

3 Which actor portrayed Thor in the 2011 film of the same name?

Chris Hemsworth

The BBC's *Breakfast Time* became Britain's first national TV breakfast show in 1983; who was its sports presenter?

David Icke

5 How was Lord Marmaduke of Bunkerton better known?

Lord Snooty

6 The Britannia Bridge carries which A road across the Menai Straits?

A55

7 In the Asterix stories, who is the chief druid and brewer of potions?

Getafix

8 A young Michael Portillo appeared in TV adverts for which drink?

Ribena

9 How much is Bow Street to buy in the original version of Monopoly?

£180

Who was the US representative at the signing of the Japanese surrender at the end of World War 2?

Admiral Chester Nimitz

'Nearest-the-bull' tie-breaker

1 How many episodes have been made of Buffy the Vampire Slayer?

144

To the nearest whole number, what is the melting point (in degrees Fahrenheit) of Uranium?

2070

Spares

1 Clifford's Tower is all that remains of which British city's castle?

York

2 Against which team did Alex Ferguson make his Old Trafford debut as Manchester United's manager?

QPR

3 According to the old song where were many people headed on 9 June 1862?
Blaydon Races

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