

PLATE FINAL
THURSDAY 22 MAY 2014
QUESTIONS BY VARIOUS TEAMS

First Verbal Round

1. For which 1955 movie did Ernest Borgnine receive a Best Actor Academy Award?
Marty
2. Name the only country to border both Slovakia and Croatia.
Hungary
3. Which resident of Ambridge has just started training at Sandhurst?
Daniel (Hebden Lloyd)
4. A very modern glass building, reputedly the greenest in Europe, in the former Angel Meadow in Manchester. Who owns it?
The Co-op Bank
5. Of Roxy Music's 10 UK Top Ten hits only the ninth reached Number 1. What was it called?
Jealous Guy
6. George Osborne's *alma mater* has recently been in the media over allegations of sexual misconduct. Name its Prep School.
Colet Court
7. Which composer wrote a *Missa Brevis* nicknamed *The Sparrow Mass*?
Mozart
8. What name was given to the Boeing B-29 plane?
Superfortress
9. Who, in the nineteenth century, supposedly telegraphed home the following message: "*I have gazed on the face of Agamemnon*"?
Heinrich Schliemann
10. In 1540 García López de Cárdenas became the first European to see specifically which natural feature?
The Grand Canyon
11. Abaco, Andros and Crooked are three of the many islands forming which nation?
The Bahamas
12. The American Carlin Isles has been called which sport's fastest player?
Rugby (Union)
13. Honoré Daumier's lithograph *Nadar Elevating Photography to Art* depicts which form of transport?
Hot Air Balloon
14. Which elastic hair band was patented by Rommy Revson in 1987?
Scrunchie
15. '*Thereby hangs a talé*' is a line spoken by Grumio in which Shakespeare play?
The Taming of the Shrew

16. Which comedian co-created the musical *I Can't Sing! The X Factor Musical* with Steve Brown?
Harry Hill
17. Which celebrity was recently described in a *Daily Telegraph* headline as '*a Reliant Robin on the intellectual forecourt of life*'?
Jeremy Clarkson
18. Which company manufactures the *Captur* car model?
Renault
19. Joe Haines was Press Secretary to which Labour Prime Minister?
Harold Wilson
20. In 1924 Lenin's birthplace of Simbirsk was renamed in his honour. What did it become?
Ulyanovsk (his real surname was Ulyanov)
21. Who became leader of the Labour Party after previously having been Home Secretary, the last person to do so?
James Callaghan
22. Which jewellery company's art deco *Tutti Frutti* bracelet sold for a record \$2 million in 2013?
Cartier
23. Who wrote the crime novels on which the recently televised crime dramas of *Shetland* and *Vera* were based?
Ann Cleeves
24. Who is the only British male athlete hold an IAAF outdoor world athletics record, as at 28 April 2014?
Jonathan Edwards (triple jump)
25. At which two British racecourses did horse racing take place this year for the first time on a Good Friday?
Lingfield and Musselburgh
26. Who was crowned 'King of the Belgians' in July 2013?
King Philippe
27. The name of which type of clouds comes from the Latin for a lock of hair, because they are the delicate bright white wisps of ice high in the heavens?
Cirrus
28. Which chemical element is named after the capital of Denmark?
Hafnium
29. The island of Jersey is in which shipping forecast area?
Portland
30. Britons Helen Glover and Polly Swann are reigning world champions in which sport?
Rowing (pairs)

First Written Round

31. *A Little Loving* was a number six hit in 1964 for which group?
The Fourmost

32. What surname links the Queen of Blades in a series of video games and books, a famous former ice skater and a current Lancashire cricketer?
Kerrigan (Sarah, Nancy and Simon)
33. On which river does Seville stand?
Guadalquivir (also accept 'Guadaíra')
34. On which street in Berlin were the Headquarters of the East German Stasi?
Ruschestraße
35. The 2014 Veuve Cliquot Woman of the Year in the small, new enterprise category has a business called *Rubies in the Rubble*. What does it do?
Makes jams and chutneys from discarded fruit
36. Worn by Afghan men, what is a *pako*?
Woollen hat
37. Which Hungarian composed a collection of 153 piano pieces entitled *Mikrokosmos*?
Béla Bartók
38. Walt Disney commissioned the short film *Destino* from which Spanish artist?
Salvador Dali
39. The dish *Oxford John* contains slices of which meat?
Mutton or Lamb
40. What term is used for economic studies based on the combinations of observations, techniques of statistical estimation and a mathematical treatment of economic theories?
Econometrics

Second Verbal Round

41. William Webb Ellis won a 'blue' at Oxford University at which sport?
Cricket
42. Residents of which north west town are known as *Maxonians*?
Macclesfield
43. What was the name of the 'bunny boiler' played by Glenn Close in the 1987 film *Fatal Attraction*?
Alex(andra) Forrest
44. Which radio play features the character Nogood Boyo?
Under Milk Wood
45. In what year was the Battle of the Alamo?
1836
46. Which Scottish rock band has released albums that include *Sonic Flower Groove*, *Give Out But Don't Give Up* and *XTRMNTR* (pronounced 'Exterminator')?
Primal Scream
47. Which US state was the setting for the TV series *The Waltons*?
Virginia

48. The Carpenters had a 1975 hit with Please Mr. Postman, but which Motown group had a US number one with the same song fourteen years earlier?

The Marvelettes

49. In last summer's Ashes series Australia's Ashton Agar made a record score for a number 11 batsman. How many did he score?

98

50. *AM*, the latest album by the Arctic Monkeys, features a track called *I Wanna Be Yours*. The lyrics are based on a work of the same name by which British poet?

John Cooper Clarke

51. Give a year in the reign of English king Henry III.

1216–1272

52. What is the forename of Magwitch in the Charles Dickens novel *Great Expectations*?

Abel

53. Which yellow food colouring is also known as E102?

Tartrazine

54. In terms of annual revenue which is the world's largest retail company?

Wal-Mart

55. Which European football league has a team called Hellas?

Italy (Hellas Verona FC)

56. Which book's opening lines are: '*When Mary Lennox was sent to Misselthwaite Manor to live with her uncle everybody said she was the most disagreeable-looking child ever seen.*'?

The Secret Garden (by Frances Hodgson Burnett)

57. In what year did the following events take place?

Old Trafford, then the largest football stadium in England with an 80,000 capacity, opened; George V became King; and 300 suffragettes clashed with police outside Parliament over the abandonment of the Conciliation Bill?

1910

58. Under what pseudonym did J. K. Rowling release her first crime novel, *The Cuckoo's Calling*? Forename and surname required.

Robert Galbraith

59. In which 19th century novel is Mercédès Mondego a central character?

The Count of Monte Cristo

60. What became the operating name of the UK Patent Office in 2007?

The Intellectual Property Office

61. Which European city is home to the world's oldest Stock Exchange?

Amsterdam

62. Who played the character Ronald Bird in an early 1970s ITV series?

Adam Faith (in *Budgie*)

63. What animal has a breed called Île de France?

Sheep

64. In which European country were the Ogham hieroglyphics found?
Ireland
65. Which Tom Stoppard play involves two theatre critics called Moon and Birdboot?
The Real Inspector Hound
66. Which island is the most southerly part of the European Union?
Réunion (in the Indian Ocean)
67. What was unusual about the piano piece *In Futurum* written in 1919 by Erwin Schulhoff?
It was silent (composed entirely of rests)
68. Who wrote *American Gods*, a novel blending Americana, fantasy and mythology?
Neil Gaiman
69. Who hosts *The Kitchen Cabinet* on Radio 4?
Jay Rayner
70. Who was employed by King Charles II as Britain's first Astronomer Royal in 1675?
John Flamsteed

Second Written Round

71. Which team won the Netball Superleague play off final in 2014?
Manchester Thunder
72. Which UK shipping forecast area is immediately to the North of Irish Sea?
Malin
73. What is the log to base 10 of the number 100,000?
Five
74. What is the chemical symbol for antimony?
Sb
75. In what year was there an accident on Stockport Viaduct that resulted in five deaths?
1948
76. *'Lying in bed, I abandoned the facts again and was back in Ambrosia'* is the first line of which novel?
Billy Liar
77. What is the term used for a verb that does not act on an object?
Intransitive
78. Near Sawrey and Far Sawrey are neighbouring villages in which county?
Cumbria
79. Who played the lead role in the film *The Cheap Detective*?
Peter Falk
80. How many quires are there in one ream of paper?
Twenty

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