

KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 8 JANUARY 2015

QUESTIONS BY THE STAR

First Verbal Round

1. A US pint is made up of how many fluid ounces?
16
2. In which body of water did the liner Empress of Ireland sink in 1914, with the loss of over 1000 lives?
St Lawrence Seaway
3. Which player has scored the most penalties (nine) for the English international football team? (Note: penalties in normal play, not penalty shoot-outs)
Frank Lampard
4. In which TV programme does Ronnie Archer Morgan appear as an expert?
Antiques Roadshow
5. What is the highest peak in the Rocky Mountains?
Mt. Elbert
6. Who is the current host of *Never Mind the Buzzcocks*?
Rhod Gilbert
7. Who won the 2014 Turner Prize for art, with the film *It for Others*?
Duncan Campbell
8. Who formulated the wave theory of light in the 17th century?
Christian Huygens
9. The hairdresser Raymond Bessone was better known by what nickname?
Mr Teasy-Weasy
10. Which is the only film adapted from a Stephen King novel to have won an Oscar?
Misery
11. Which British poet's work includes *The North Ship*, *The Whitsun Weddings* and *High Windows*?
Philip Larkin
12. What is the derived SI unit of pressure, equivalent to 1 unit per square metre?
Pascal see note 1
13. *Clarín* and *La Nación* are the two main newspapers of which country?
Argentina
14. In which month is the Sikh festival of Baisakhi?
April
15. Who caused controversy in 1987 with his memoirs *Spycatcher*?
Peter Wright
16. Who has a recent CD release entitled *Blue Smoke: The Best Of...?*
Dolly Parton

17. Journalist, reporter and broadcaster Gareth A. Davies is chiefly associated with which sport?
Boxing
18. In football, who are the current holders of the Scottish Cup?
St. Johnstone
19. Which former Lancashire and England opening batsman died on Christmas Day 2014?
Geoff Pullar
20. In which film of 1946 does David Niven play a pilot who cheats death and has to argue for his life in a celestial court?
A Matter of Life and Death
21. In the TV sitcom *My Family*, starring Robert Lindsay and Zoe Wanamaker, what was the family's surname?
Harper
22. The Trepak is a dance originating from which country?
Russia
23. Where did Charles I raise his standard on 24 August 1642, to start the English Civil War?
Nottingham
24. Which one-hit wonders had a number 3 hit in 1971 with *Resurrection Shuffle*?
Ashton, Gardner & Dyke
25. The Russian enclave of Kaliningrad Oblast has land borders with which two countries?
Poland and Lithuania
26. Who wrote the books on which the TV series *Lovejoy* was based?
Jonathan Gash
27. On talkSPORT Radio, what is the subject of the weekend early-morning shows presented by Nigel Botherway?
Fishing
28. The poem *Casabianca*, which begins 'The boy stood on the burning deck...', describes an incident in which naval battle?
The Battle of the Nile [see note 2](#)
29. Which Alfred Hitchcock film was based on the novel *The Wheel Spins*, by Ethel Lina White?
The Lady Vanishes
30. Which motor company manufactures a vehicle called the Vito?
Mercedes

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME**

31. Which golfer, known as *The Big Easy*, has won the World Match Play championships a record seven times?
Ernie Els
32. Which historical figure reputedly had a horse named Babieca?
El Cid
33. Which type of pastry is used to make the middle-eastern sweet *baklava*?
Filo

34. In which area of ancient woodland are local people able to register for mineral rights, becoming 'freeminers'?

The Forest of Dean

35. Which football team plays at Carrow Road?

Norwich City

36. Which type of insect is the most significant pollinator of the fig tree?

Wasp

37. Which US magazine, founded in 1952 originally as a comic book, usually features the fictitious Alfred E. Neuman on the cover?

MAD magazine

38. Who is the only British woman to have won an Olympic gold medal in a throwing event?

Tessa Sanderson

39. Which character is played by Gary Burghoff in *M*A*S*H*?

'Radar' O'Reilly

40. Which performer, born in 1907, was the inspiration for the character Sportin' Life in *Porgy & Bess*, though he did not play the role till 1952?

Cab Calloway

THEME is acronyms: ERNIE (Premium Bonds); CID (Police); First In, Last Out; FOREST (pro-smoking pressure group); NORWICH (affectionate back-of-the-envelope message); White Anglo-Saxon Protestant; Mutually Assured Destruction; TESSA (former tax-free savings account); RADAR; Citizens Advice Bureau.

Second Verbal Round

41. "When he was nearly thirteen, my brother Jem got his arm badly broken at the elbow." is the first sentence of which novel?

To Kill a Mockingbird

42. Which musical, first staged in 1916, included the *Robber's Chorus* and the *Cobbler's Song*?

Chu Chin Chow

43. Which organisation formed in 1883 has the motto *Sure and Steadfast*?

The Boys' Brigade

44. Which politician appears on a ten-dollar US banknote?

Alexander Hamilton

45. *The Reluctant Jester* is the autobiography of which member of The Goons?

Michael Bentine

46. Give a year in the life of the artist Johannes Vermeer.

1632–1675

47. Who composed the opera *Ruslan and Lyudmila*?

Mikhail Glinka

48. Which book of the bible tells of Gideon's victory over the Midianites?

Judges

49. "All hell broke loose" is a quotation from which work of literature?

***Paradise Lost* (Milton) [see note 3](#)**

50. Which Italian Renaissance artist painted *The Madonna of the Harpies* (1517)?
Andrea del Sarto
51. In Greek mythology, who was the muse of history?
Clio
52. What sort of animal has species called leatherback, loggerhead, and hawksbill?
Turtle
53. What is the name of the mostly unseen husband in the TV commercials for Warner Leisure Hotels?
Colin
54. What is the capital of South Africa's Northern Cape province?
Kimberley
55. What name is given to a mass of earth, rock and stones at one time carried and finally deposited by a glacier?
Moraine
56. Which element takes its name from the Latin word for limestone?
Calcium
57. During the 1960s Neil Sedaka's singles were released in the UK on what record label?
RCA
58. As well as being Prime Minister and Minister for the Civil Service, David Cameron also holds which Cabinet post?
First Lord of the Treasury
59. In which city would you find Castle Rock brewery?
Nottingham
60. What part did actor Colin Bean play in *Dad's Army*?
Private Sponge
61. Which country was formerly known as French Sudan?
Mali
62. In which English county would you find the rivers Teme, Lugg, Frome and Monnow?
Herefordshire
63. Which year saw the death of the poet Walt Whitman, the foundation of Liverpool FC, and the first performance of Wilde's *Lady Windermere's Fan*?
1892
64. Prior to the introduction of the Gregorian calendar, which day was the start of the financial year?
March 25th
65. Formerly the Galpharm, what is the current name of Huddersfield Town's stadium?
The John Smith's Stadium
66. What was the name of the craft that landed on Comet 67P in November 2014?
Philae
67. The new Bishop of Stockport will be consecrated at the end of January. What is her name?
Libby Lane

68. How many groats were the equivalent of one guinea?

63

69. Which French phrase, attributed to Louis XV, was adopted as the motto of the RAF 617 (Dambusters) squadron?

Après moi, le déluge

70. Google Play is the app store for devices that use which operating system?

Android

Second Written Round

71. A compass bearing of SSE equates to how many degrees?

160 see note 4

72. The tree *Myristica fragrans* produces which spice?

Nutmeg or Mace

73. What is the maximum rate of stamp duty, which kicks in when a house purchase price is over £1.5 million?

12%

74. Who is the MP for the constituency of Rochester and Strood?

Mark Reckless

75. After the resignation of Richard Ingrams, Alexander Chancellor took over as editor of which magazine in 2014?

The Oldie

76. Mozart's Symphony no. 1 was written while the composer was visiting which city?

London

77. By what name do we refer to the conflict between Great Britain and Spain that took place in and around the Caribbean Sea between 1739 and 1748?

The War of Jenkins' Ear

78. Amol Rajan is the editor of which national daily newspaper?

The Independent

79. Which film star's credits include starring roles in *The Robe* (1953), *Spartacus* (1960) and *The Big Country* (1958)?

Jean Simmons

80. Which musical features the song *Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better*?

Annie Get Your Gun

Spares

1. The phrase 'murder most foul' comes from which Shakespeare play?

Hamlet

2. Oil of vitriol is another name for which acid?

Sulphuric acid

3. Which 20th century US artist painted *Nighthawks* and *Early Sunday Morning*?

Edward Hopper

4. In the nursery-rhyme, who found Lucy Lockett's pocket?

Kitty Fisher

5. What was the name of the ship captained by James Cook when he was killed on Hawaii?

Resolution

6. On which river does the market town of Honiton, in Devon, stand?

Otter

Notes

1. One Pascal is equal to 1 **Newton** per square metre
2. 'The Battle of Aboukir Bay' is an equally acceptable answer.
3. As the phrase is used in countless books, it would be more accurate to ask 'was first used in which work?'.
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4. The compass bearing south south east (SSE) covers a range of numerical values: many sources say anywhere between 146.25 and 168.75 degrees, whereas others state the range as 151.88 to 163.12. All sources agree that the mean value is 157.5 degrees.

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