

KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2016

QUESTIONS BY BULLS HEAD see note 1

First Verbal Round

- Which culinary plant has the Latin name *Cochlearia armoracia*?
Horseradish
- Name the city on the north bank of the Euphrates in Northern Syria that is regarded as the capital of the (so-called) Islamic State.
Raqqa (aka al-Raqqah or Rakka)
- Released in 1973, *Squeeze* was the title of the fifth and final studio album by which highly influential group? It featured no original band members and tends to be discounted as a 'genuine' album by fans and critics.
The Velvet Underground
- Where in Britain would you find the National Waterways Museum?
Ellesmere Port
- The mathematical formula $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ (one-third pi r squared h) is used to measure what?
The volume of a cone
- In what industry is the barleycorn, an old unit of measure equivalent to one third of an inch, still used to differentiate product sizes in Britain?
Shoemaking
- Name any one of the actors/actresses who played Enid, Rebecca or Seymour in the 2001 film *Ghost World*.
Scarlett Johansson, Thora Birch or Steve Buscemi
- Which popular instant messaging system has a ghost called *Ghostface Chillah* as its mascot?
Snapchat
- If a neutral atom gains electrons, it has a net negative charge and is known as an 'anion'. What is it called if it loses electrons, giving it a net positive charge?
A cation
- What is the name of the billionaire founder of Amazon, whose Blue Origin company is currently developing and testing reusable space vehicles?
Jeff Bezos
- Which is the only artery in an adult human body that carries deoxygenated blood?
The pulmonary artery
- Which couple starred in the 1958 to 1960 series of programmes called the *Undersea World of Adventure*? (Both first names required)
Hans and Lotte Hass
- As at 4 February 2016 which cricketer has made the most appearances for Lancashire in first-class matches?
G. E. (Ernest) Tyldesley (573)
- Who composed the *Five Variants of Dives and Lazarus*?
Ralph Vaughan Williams

15. In a standard pack of playing cards what does the Jack of Hearts hold in each hand?
A feather
16. Originating in South Central Los Angeles in the early 2000s, what is *krumping*?
A type of street dance (accept 'dancing')
17. What is the Kuiper belt?
The region of the Solar System beyond the orbit of Neptune
18. At Crufts, the Best In Show award is contested by the seven winners of the Best In Group awards. Four of these groups are Toys, Gundogs, Utility and Pastoral. Name any one of the other three groups.
Hounds, Working or Terriers
19. What was the Russian city of Yekaterinburg renamed between 1924 and 1991?
Sverdlovsk
20. Charles Dickens wrote three short stories about a fictitious railway junction station. What was its name?
Mugby Junction
21. Which comic character was inspired by the real-life Mr Boylett, a table butler at Radley College in Oxfordshire? The comedian who created the character was a pupil at Radley in the 1950s.
E. L. Wisty (created by Peter Cook)
22. What is the highest point in Cheshire?
Shining Tor (1834 feet)
23. Baisakhi is a major festival in which religion?
Sikhism
24. The Danyang-Kunshan bridge is a 165km-long viaduct forming part of the high speed railway line that runs between which two cities?
Beijing and Shanghai
25. What religion was founded by Bobby Henderson in 2005 as a satirical protest against Kansas State Board of Education's decision to allow the teaching of 'intelligent design' in its schools?
The Church Of The Flying Spaghetti Monster (also accept 'Pastafarianism')
26. Who painted the picture *Mr and Mrs Andrews*?
Thomas Gainsborough
27. Which monarch was described by John Knox as '*that cursed Jezebel of England*'?
Queen Mary I
28. What is the name of the multinational utility company that owns British Gas and announced 6,000 job cuts in 2015?
Centrica
29. The novels *Come to Grief*, *Knockdown* and *Shattered* were written by whom?
Dick Francis
30. Mumbai is the capital of which Indian state?
Maharashtra

First Written Round – THERE IS A THEME

31. As at 4 February 2016 Stephen Fry is the President of which charity, founded in 1946 as the NAMH?

Mind

32. In what year did the following three events all occur? Jill Dando was murdered; Paul Lawrie won the British Open Golf title after Jean van de Velde threw away a three-shot lead on the final hole; Charles Kennedy was elected leader of the Liberal Democrats.

1999

33. Which TV programme for young children, presented by Ralph McTell and Nerys Hughes, ran for two series on ITV between 1983 and 1984?

Alphabet Zoo

34. Lying between the sloop-of-war and the frigate in the naval classification system, what is the smallest class of vessel traditionally considered as a 'proper' warship?

The corvette

35. Which two types of birds constitute the family *Columbidae*?

Pigeons and doves

36. What name is shared by an award for bravery and the nickname given to the antidepressant Dexamyl, commonly used as a recreational drug within the Mod sub-culture during the 1960s?

Purple Heart

37. Which London-based radio station, specialising in hip-hop and dance music and broadcasting on 100FM, started life as a pirate station in the 1980s before gaining a legitimate licence in 1990?

Kiss (FM)

38. What was the name of the four-door saloon, based on the Escort, produced by Ford Europe between 1983 and 1993?

Ford Orion

39. Which fruit has varieties called Amity, Latham, Fall Gold, Brandywine and Blackhawk?

Raspberry

40. Which Disney film from 1942 is based on a book by the Austrian author Felix Salten?

Bambi

Theme: answers contain words in the titles of Prince singles

(Dirty Mind, 1999, Alphabet Street, Little Red Corvette, When Doves Cry, Purple Rain, Kiss, The Arms of Orion, Raspberry Beret, Bambi)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which jazz musician is being described in this 1966 review by Benny Green? *'By mastering the useful trick of playing the entire chromatic scale at any given moment, he has absolved himself from the charge of continuously playing wrong notes. Like a stopped clock, (he) is right at least twice a day'*

Ornette Coleman

42. In which Cambridgeshire town would you find Elgood's brewery?

Wisbech

43. Walter Hill's 1979 film *The Warriors*, about a New York street gang fighting to get back to its own turf, is loosely based on which work of classical Greek literature? (Title only required)

Anabasis (by Xenophon; also accept '*The Persian Expedition*')

44. Which two-word term in economics refers to the gain from an increase, or loss from a decrease in the consumption of a good or service?

Marginal utility

45. On which TV programme was Angie Bowie appearing when she was informed of the death of her ex-husband, David?

Celebrity Big Brother

46. The ruins of the Mayan city of Tikal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, can be found in which modern-day country?

Guatemala

47. What is the name of the publishing company, based in Novara, Italy, that specialises in partwork magazines? Its most recent releases have included *The Star Wars Helmet Collection* and *Build Your Own Ford Mustang*.

De Agostini

48. Formed in Palestine in 1931, which terrorist organisation was responsible for the bombing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem in 1946 and the Deir Yassin Massacre in 1948?

Irgun Tzvai Leumi (accept 'Irgun' or 'IZL')

49. What type of architectural feature is a *mascaron*?

An ornament representing a human or animal face or head (often grotesque or frightening)

50. The Ukrainian Leonid Ivanovych Zhabotynsky, who recently died at the age of 77, set nineteen world records and won two Olympic Gold medals in what sport?

Weightlifting

51. As of 31 January 2016, who is the Prime Minister of New Zealand?

John Key

52. Which Roman philosopher said "*You must lookout in Britain that you are not cheated by the charioteers*"? (Marcus Tullius) **Cicero**

53. What would you be eating in a French restaurant if you were served *anguille*?

Eel

54. Convert 86 degrees Fahrenheit into centigrade.

30°C

55. Operating in Kent between 1899 and 1923, which railway company was known by the acronym SECR?

South-Eastern and Chatham Railway

56. At what age did Rudolph Valentino, John Dillinger, Sandy Denny, Eazy-E and Cory Monteith all die?

31 see note 2

57. The national flag of Bhutan features a white dragon against a background divided diagonally into which two colours?

Yellow and orange

58. The former RAF base at St Mawgan is now which UK airport?

Newquay Cornwall Airport (accept 'Newquay') see pedantic note 3

59. What type of creature is an omul?
A fish (a white fish related to the salmon and found in Lake Baikal in central Siberia)
60. What shipping forecast area is bounded by South Utsire, Forties and German Bight?
Fisher
61. Cyclists and motorcyclists use the acronym *SMIDSY* to refer to a regular phrase that they hear from motorists when they are involved in accidents. What does *SMIDSY* stand for?
Sorry Mate, I Didn't See You
62. Why was Susanne Hinte from Worcester in the news recently?
She is the person who claimed to be the owner of a £33 million-winning National Lottery ticket that had been destroyed in her washing machine
63. Commonly known as 'The Oracle', what name was given to the priestess at the Temple of Apollo in Delphi?
The Pythia
64. Which word, derived from the Latin words for 'seek' and 'centre', refers to the type of force or acceleration that acts on any body that revolves around a centre, keeping the body in circular motion?
Centripetal
65. Which canal passes by the town of Alvechurch?
The Birmingham and Worcester Canal
66. Who was the most famous fatality of the Battle of Mactan fought on 27 April 1521?
Ferdinand Magellan
67. What is the name of the Princess who has regularly appeared as a character in all the Super Mario games released by Nintendo?
Princess Peach
68. *Catch Me Who Can* was a steam locomotive first demonstrated in London in 1808. Name the engineer who invented and designed it.
Richard Trevithick
69. In English church bell ringing what is meant by the term 'the bell is set on the stay'?
When the bell is paused, balanced with its mouth directly upwards
70. Which poet's first collection of work was *Pen Rhythm*, published in 1980?
Benjamin Zephaniah

Second Written Round

71. Name five of the six most common chemical elements found in the human body.
Five from: **Oxygen, Carbon, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, Calcium and Phosphorus**
72. Who scored a hat-trick for the USA in its 5-2 win over Japan in the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup Final?
Carli Lloyd
73. Which classical singing voice did Kathleen Ferrier possess?
Contralto
74. How many *arrondissements* are there in Paris?
Twenty

75. The town of Frankfurt an der Oder is situated on the border of Germany and which other country?
Poland
76. Who was Vice President of the USA from December 1974 to January 1977?
Nelson Rockefeller
77. In what year did Apple release its first iPhone?
2007
78. In which play by Shakespeare do the characters Elbow, Pompey and Froth appear?
Measure For Measure
79. In what geological feature would you find 'clints' and 'grikes'?
Limestone pavement
(clints are the blocks of limestone forming the pavement and grikes are the fissures between them)
80. London Fashion Week takes place twice a year. In which two months is it held?
February and September

Spares

1. What traditional event takes place every Spring Bank Holiday on Cooper's Hill, Gloucestershire?
Cheese Rolling
2. According to a poem by Edward Lear, who lost his toes whilst swimming in the Bristol Channel?
The Pobble
3. Amarillo, Mount Hood, Centennial and Willamette are all varieties of what?
Hops (all American varieties)
4. Which now-ruined castle was the birthplace of Richard III?
Fotheringay
5. Which ventriloquist had a dummy called Lenny the Lion?
Terry Hall

Notes

1. Comments received from participants and five out of twelve scores (without handicap) below 40 would suggest that the questions were 'a bit on the hard side'.
All question setters are reminded of our guidelines:
Don't make the questions too hard. This is the Stockport Quiz League, not University Challenge, and is meant to be a fun night out! As a general rule-of-thumb all teams should be able to answer at least half the questions correctly, so aggregate scores should not be lower than 80.
2. There is some doubt as to Eazy-E's year of birth. Depending on which source you believe, he was born on 7 September in either 1963 or 1964. So he was either 30 or 31 when he died.
3. St Mawgan is an operational, rather than former, RAF base, although flying operations stopped in 2008.