

# KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 28 JANUARY 2016

## QUESTIONS BY HMCC

### First Verbal Round

1. Which character played by Jack May between 1952 and 1997 was voted by listeners 'the greatest rogue in the history of *The Archers*'?

**Nelson Gabriel**

2. Caroline Lucas, the only Green Party MP, represents which English parliamentary constituency?

**Brighton Pavilion**

3. St Botolph's Church in Lincolnshire has one of the tallest medieval towers in England. What is its more commonly-known nickname?

**Boston Stump**

4. From which venerable male-only club, situated in London's Piccadilly, did David Cameron resign in 2013, stating that membership did not fit in with his vision of modern Conservatism?

**White's** [see pedantic note 1](#)

5. Often worn by peasant women in Bolivia, in Spanish it is called 'La Bombín' and in the USA 'a Derby'. What is it known as in England?

**Bowler Hat**

6. Name the auditory phenomenon characterised by the ability of a person to identify or re-create a given musical note without the benefit of a reference tone?

**Absolute or perfect pitch**

7. If you ordered *coniglio* in an Italian restaurant, what would you expect to be served?

**Rabbit**

8. Which landform is described by geomorphologists as being 'created by fast running water eroding sharply into the soil, particularly on steep hillsides'?

**Gully**

9. *I Put My Hand In*, *It Takes A Woman* and *World, Take Me Back* are songs from which 1964 hit musical?

**Hello Dolly**

10. B&Q is a DIY chain store in the UK. What does 'B&Q' stand for?

**Block and Quayle**

11. What was the occupation of Mr Gamfield in *Oliver Twist*, who wanted to take Oliver as an apprentice?

**Chimney Sweep**

12. Leisler's, Natterer's and Greater Horseshoe are all types of which creature native to Britain?

**Bat**

13. In which 1949 classic British/American film noir were the theme and soundtrack performed by zither aficionado Anton Karas?

**The Third Man**

14. Name the author and magistrate who is credited, along with his brother John, with establishing London's first professional police force, the Bow Street Runners?

**Henry Fielding**

15. *White Lady*, *Scarlet Emperor* and *Enorma* are all varieties of which vegetable?

**Runner Bean**

16. First screened in February 2008, which TV science fiction and police procedural drama was the sequel to *Life on Mars*?

**Ashes To Ashes**

17. *Huey*, *Dewey* and *Louie* are the nephews of which Disney cartoon character?

**Donald Duck**

18. Name the novel by Jean Rhys, published in 1966, written as a prequel to Charlotte Brontë's *Jane Eyre*?

**The Wide Sargasso Sea**

19. Add the stars on the European Union flag to the stars on the New Zealand flag and subtract the stars on the Chinese national flag. What is your answer?

**Eleven** (12 + 4 – 5)

20. The three ships the *Dartmouth*, *Eleanor* and *Beaver* were involved in which notable event on December 16 1773?

**Boston Tea Party**

21. Which non-departmental public bodies are responsible for the size and geographical distribution of parliamentary constituencies in the UK?

**Boundary Commissions**

22. What is the lowest perfect number?

**Six**

23. Built in the Swiss town of St Moritz in 1884, what is the name of the famous skeleton toboggan track that hosted the Olympic events of 1928 and 1948?

**Cresta Run**

24. Which magazine claims to be '*the guide to the best food and drink, events, activities and entertainment in London*'?

**Time Out**

25. Sherbet were a successful Australian band of the 1970s, but their only top five hit in the UK charts was in July 1976. What was its title?

**Howzat**

26. Name the convention in the British parliament when two members from different parties agree to abstain if the other is absent for a vote?

**Pair or Pairing**

27. The 2000 Sydney Olympics had three mascots: Milly the Echidna, Syd the Platypus and Olly. What type of bird was Olly?

**Kookaburra**

28. The Pullman service that ran between London Victoria and Dover from 1926 and 1972, connecting London with the Dover-to-Calais ferry, was known by what name?

**Golden Arrow**

29. Which TV show of the 1960s, dubbed 'the aquatic *Lassie*', was set in the fictional Coral Key Park in Florida?

**Flipper**

30. Which song, composed by Arlen and Harburg in 1939, became Judy Garland's signature tune?

**Over The Rainbow**

## First Written Round – THERE IS A THEME

31. The Dafabet Masters 2016 snooker tournament was staged at which venue?  
**Alexandra Palace**
32. The oldest sporting trophy in North America was inaugurated in 1892 and has been competed for ever since. What is its name?  
**Stanley Cup**
33. Two national parks have been established in England in the 21st century; name both of them.  
**South Downs and New Forest**
34. Lisa Loring played which member of the *Addams Family* in the 1960s TV sitcom?  
**Wednesday**
35. Name the knitting pattern that incorporates diamonds and lozenges, often in overlapping motifs?  
**Argyle** (or 'Argyll')
36. Ingrid Bergman won the 1974 Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress for her role as Greta Ohlsson, in which film?  
***Murder on the Orient Express***
37. Who was the first player to score in an FA Cup Final replay at Wembley?  
**Ricky Villa** (1981 Spurs v Man City)
38. Barry is the administrative HQ of which Welsh county borough?  
**Vale of Glamorgan**
39. Relating to TV westerns of the 1950s, what significance has the name John Reid?  
**The Lone Ranger's real name**
40. Which comic was launched in 1933 by D.C. Thomson as a story paper for boys? It was re-launched in 1959 with strips including *Coral Island*, *Spring Heeled Jack* and *Union Jack Jackson*, being finally incorporated with the Victor in 1981?  
***The Hotspur* or *New Hotspur***

**Theme: names of Football League and Premier League teams.**

## Second Verbal Round

41. The White Rose Way footpath links Leeds city centre with which other town?  
**Scarborough**
42. Who wrote the children's books, *Mr. Peabody's Apples* and *The English Roses*?  
**Madonna**
43. *King Canute* or Cnut wasn't buried at sea when he died in 1035, but was eventually laid to rest in which English cathedral?  
**Winchester**
44. With which ventriloquist do you associate Nookie Bear?  
**Roger De Coursey**

45. *Oshogatsu* is a Japanese festival. At what time of the year is it celebrated?  
**New Year**
46. Name the stately home that is the family seat of the Dukes of Norfolk?  
**Arundel Castle**
47. In which London borough would you find the main campus of Middlesex University?  
**Barnet**
48. Who was the husband of Boudicca (or Boadicea), Queen of the Iceni?  
**Prasutagus**
49. Who followed Georges Pompidou as President of the French Fifth Republic in May 1974?  
**Valéry Giscard d'Estaing**
50. Name the city that is the capital of the Italian region of Liguria?  
**Genoa**
51. What would a *chionophobic* be afraid of?  
**Snow**
52. The Caspian Sea borders Russia, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan and which other country?  
**Iran**
53. *Saint Louis Blues* is a classic jazz composition of the early 20th century. Who wrote it?  
**W. C. Handy**
54. Which chemical element has the symbol Sb and the atomic number 51?  
**Antimony**
55. The Preston By-Pass, now part of the M6, was the first stretch of motorway to be opened in the UK. In which year did this occur?  
**1958**
56. Who wrote the play *Uncle Vanya*?  
**Anton Chekhov**
57. Which noted horticulturalist designed the original *Blue Peter* garden in 1974?  
**Percy Thrower**
58. In which month is Martinmas celebrated in the Christian church?  
**November**
59. What does the acronym NASA stand for?  
**National Aeronautics and Space Administration** [see note 2](#)
60. The Colossus of Rhodes, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, is a 100-foot high bronze statue of whom?  
**Helios** (Greek god of the sun) [see note 3](#)
61. By which stage name is the rapper Shawn Corey Carter better known?  
**Jay Z**
62. Which is the only vowel, on a standard key board, that is not on the top line of letters?  
**A**

63. Used to make early forms of marmalade, which fruit is known as *Marmelo* in Portuguese?  
**Quince**
64. David Neilson and Chris Gascoyne of *Coronation Street* fame are to appear together at the Home Theatre in Manchester in which Samuel Beckett play?  
**Endgame**
65. The Komodo National Park, where you are likely to see a Komodo Dragon, is situated in which country?  
**Indonesia**
66. The Britons Protection pub stands on which Manchester street?  
**Great Bridgewater Street**
67. Kenny Dalglish has won the most Scottish international caps (102). Which former Manchester United player is second on the list having won 91 Scottish caps?  
**Jim Leighton**
68. A 'hand' is used to measure horses. How many inches are there in one hand?  
**Four inches**
69. Which artist used the model 'Big Sue' Tilley for his 1995 painting *Benefits Supervisor Sleeping*?  
**Lucian Freud**
70. Which British bird has the scientific or Latin name *Tyto alba*?  
**Barn owl**

## Second Written Round

71. Of the eight stadiums used to stage the 1966 World Cup in England, three are no longer in existence. Name the three.  
**Ayresome Park** (Middlesbrough), **Roker Park** (Sunderland) and **White City** (London) **see note 4**
72. *Marching Through Georgia* is a song from the American Civil War. Which General led the US army's 'march to the sea' to capture the city of Savannah, Georgia?  
**General Sherman**
73. Give a year in the life of Genghis Khan, the founder of the Mongol Empire?  
**1162–1227**
74. Who became the first female Home Secretary in the British cabinet?  
**Jacqui Smith**
75. What is the official language of Andorra?  
**Catalan**
76. *Nutria* is the name given to the fur of which animal?  
**Coypu**
77. In which Canadian province was the book *Anne of Green Gables* set?  
**Prince Edward Island**
78. A *lustrum* was a period of how many years in ancient Rome?  
**Five**

79. Who played the role of *Pinkie Brown* in the 1947 film *Brighton Rock*?

**Richard Attenborough**

80. Place the three daughters of Shakespeare's *King Lear* in chronological order (eldest to youngest).

**Goneril, Regan and Cordelia**

## Spares

1. Which 1960s Liverpool band took their name from a 1950s Western directed by John Ford and starring John Wayne?

**The Searchers**

2. In which cathedral is Christopher Columbus buried?

**Seville**

3. ABBA won the 1974 Eurovision Song Contest with the song *Waterloo*. In which European city was the contest staged?

**Brighton, UK**

4. Many world land speed record attempts have taken place on salt flats in the state of Utah, USA. What is the name of the salt flats?

**Bonneville Salt Flats**

5. Who became the first African-American World Heavyweight boxing champion in 1908?

**Jack Johnson**

## Notes

1. According to most sources David Cameron resigned as a member of White's in 2008, not 2013.

2. Although the space-related NASA is obviously the most well known, there are [umpteenth other possible answers](#) to this question.

3. As [already mentioned this season](#), the Colossus of Rhodes was a representation of Helios. However, Helios—a Titan and God of the Sun—is frequently identified (and confused) with Apollo—an Olympian and the God of Light— so either answer is probably acceptable.

4. One for discussion/debate: does the Wembley Stadium used in 1966 still exist?

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