LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2015 QUESTIONS BY HMCC

First Verbal Round

1. In which part of the human skeleton would you find the hamate bone?

Wrist

2. The city of Berlin stands on which river?

Spree see note 1

3. The Greek island of Naxos belongs to which island group?

Cyclades

4. What is the chemical name for quicklime?

Calcium oxide

5. The Kwanza is the currency used in which African state?

Angola

6. In inches, what is the width of the wicket (i.e. all three stumps) in cricket?

Nine inches

7. 'Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power'. Which 19th century statesman made this statement?

Abraham Lincoln

8. In which year was the English monarch Edward VI born?

1537

9. Elizabeth Fry is currently featured on the English five pound note. Who will replace her in 2016?

Winston Churchill

10. Give the next prime number in this sequence: 911, 919 and then?

929

11. Who was Lancashire's leading run scorer in the 2015 County Championship?

Ashwell Prince (1,478 runs)

12. Sit Down, You're Rockin' The Boat is a song from which hit musical?

Guys and Dolls

13. Roncal cheese originates from which European country?

Spain

14. In Laurie Lee's Cider With Rosie what is Rosie's family name?

Burdock

15. Channel 4's documentary *Educating Essex* examines day-to-day life in the Passmores Academy. In which town is this school situated?

Harlow

16. The navicular bone is found in which part of the human skeleton?

Foot

17. Which European capital city stands on the River Aare (or Aar)?

Bern

18. The Greek island of Corfu belongs to which island group?

Ionian

19. Dry ice is a solid form of which gas?

Carbon Dioxide

20. The Guaraní is the currency of which South American state?

Paraguay

21. What is the height of the hoop (i.e. the rim of the basket), in feet, in men's basketball?

Ten feet

22. "First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win." Which 20th Century statesman made this statement?

Mahatma Gandhi

23. In which year was the English monarch Elizabeth I born?

1533

24. Charles Darwin is currently featured on the English ten pound note. Who will replace him in 2017?

Jane Austen

25. What is the next Prime Number in this sequence: 773, 778 and what is next?

797 see note 2

26. Who was Lancashire's leading wicket taker in the 2015 County Championship?

Kyle Jarvis (62 wickets)

27. Younger Than Springtime is a song from which hit musical?

South Pacific

28. Manouri cheese originates from which European country?

Greece

29. Name the 20th century novel that features the romance and marriage of Gertrude Coppard and Walter Morel?

Sons and Lovers

30. *Educating Yorkshire*, the Chanel 4 documentary, examines day to day activities in the Thornhill Academy? In which town would you find this school?

Dewsbury

First Written Round - THERE IS A THEME

31. Who is currently (as of 10 November 2015) the Music Director of the Hallé Orchestra?

Sir Mark Elder

32. A former member of the Royal Shakespeare Company, this actor was probably best known for her role as Madame Fanny La Fan in *Allo, Allo.* What was her name?

Rose Hill

33. What position in yoga, known as *Padmasana*, is said to open the hips and create flexibility in the ankles and knees?

Lotus position

34. The Liberty Stadium has been Swansea City's home ground since 2005. What was the name of their previous stadium?

Vetch Field

35. George Blake, the famous double agent, escaped from which high security prison in 1966?

Wormwood Scrubs

36. A Treatise upon the Law, Privileges, Proceedings and Usage of Parliament was published in 1844. Who was the author?

Thomas Erskine May

37. The 1968 Christmas number one single included backing vocals by Elton John (then Reg Dwight), Graham Nash and Tim Rice, while Jack Bruce played bass guitar. What was its title?

Lily The Pink (by Scaffold)

38. Brewed by Fuller's in Chiswick, what, in 2014, was the UK's best-selling cask-conditioned beer?

London Pride

39. Gary Neville and Ryan Giggs were in the news in October for allowing Manchester's homeless to use their proposed city centre hotel development as a winter squat. What is the name of the building involved?

Stock Exchange

40. Name the creature which features on the flag of Papua New Guinea.

Bird-of-paradise

Theme is flowers

Second Verbal Round

41. What does a deltiologist collect?

Postcards

42. Covent Garden, Russell Square and Hyde Park Corner stations are to be found on which London underground line?

Piccadilly

43. The town of Dingwall is home to Victoria Park, the most northerly Scottish Football League stadium. Which team plays its home matches there?

Ross County see note 3

44. The Membury services are situated on which motorway?

M4

45. Dot, Dash, Dot represents which letter in Morse code?

R

46. What is the sum of the internal angles of a decagon?

1440 degrees

47. Before his appointment as Archbishop of Westminster, Vincent Nichols was Archbishop of which diocese?

Birmingham

48. The USA wine-producing regions of Dundee Hills and Rogue Valley are situated in which state?

Oregon

49. The Banana Bunch appeared in which British comic?

The Beezer

50. Barack Obama was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009. Which former President of the USA won he

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Jimmy Carter

51. The Life Cycle is a prominent piece of public art in the centre of Manchester. Where is it located?

Outside Deansgate Station

52. In which sitcom do *Only Fools & Horses* characters Boycie and Marlene leave London for a life in the country?

The Green, Green Grass

53. McMullens brewery is to be found in which English town?

Hertford

54. Ophelia, Juliet and Miranda are moons of which planet?

Uranus

55. Give a year in the life of the painter Peter Paul Rubens?

1577-1640

56. What does a plangonologist collect?

Dolls

57. St Paul's, Lancaster Gate and Marble Arch stations are on which London underground line?

District see note 4

58. Stair Park is the most westerly Scottish Football League ground. In which town would you find it?

Stranraer

59. The Strensham service area serves which motorway?

М5

60. Dash, Dot, Dash represents which letter in Morse Code?

K

61. What is the sum of the internal angles of a hexagon?

720 degrees

62. Immediately before being appointed Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby was the Bishop for which diocese?

Durham

63. The Australian wine producing regions of Yarra Valley and Mornington Peninsula are to be found in which state?

Victoria

64. Scaredy Cat featured in which British comic?

The Topper

65. Which United States former Vice-President was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007?

Al Gore

66. One of the most prominent pieces of public art in Manchester city centre is the *Ishinki Touchstone*. Where is it situated?

Outside the Bridgewater Hall

67. Which TV sitcom was centred around events at St Ogg's Cathedral?

All Gas and Gaiters

68. In which town would you find the Shepherd Neame brewery?

Faversham

69. Larissa, Neso and Sao are moons of which planet?

Neptune

70. Give a year in the life of the painter Sandro Botticelli?

1445-1510

Second Written Round

71. Place the following sporting events in order of inception, earliest to most recent: Scotland v England football international; the University (Cambridge v Oxford) Boat Race; the Epsom Derby; the Wimbledon Tennis Championships.

Derby (1780), Boat Race (1829), Scotland v England (1872), Wimbledon (1877)

72. Which country forms Ghana's northern border?

Burkina Faso

73. Charlie Allnut and Rosie Sayer are the main characters in which 1951 movie classic?

The African Queen

74. The Chakri dynasty has produced monarchs for which country since 1782?

Thailand (Siam)

75. From the hoist (i.e. left to right), what is the sequence of colours of the three vertical stripes on the Belgian flag?

Black, Yellow, Red

76. Maestro, Mr. Big and Little Marvel are varieties of which vegetable?

Pea

77. Which player won the Mixed and Ladies Doubles at Wimbledon in 2015?

Martina Hingis

78. As of 10 November 2015, who is General Secretary of the GMB union?

Sir Paul Kenny

79. Where would you find the Line of Mars and the Girdle of Venus?

The palm of the hand (terms in palmistry)

80. According to the spoof TV documentary: *Ethel The Frog*, Dinsdale Piranha, when depressed, would be pursued by a giant hedgehog. What was its name?

Spiny Norman (in *Monty Python's* Piranha brothers sketch)

Spares

1. 'A pig in a poke' is a common expression. What actually is 'a poke'?

Bag or Sack

2. What is the SI base unit of thermodynamic temperature?

Kelvin

3. Charles-Édouard Jeanneret-Gris was better known as whom?

Le Corbusier

4. Seth Pecksniff is a character from which Dickens novel?

Martin Chuzzlewit

5. Thomas Chatterton produced many famous forgeries, in which branch of the arts?

Poetry

Notes

- 1. There are other, less well-known rivers in Berlin, such as the Havel and the Panke.
- 2. '778' appears to be a typo; it should have read '787'.
- 3. Although there's not much in it, according to most sources the most northerly Scottish League ground is Elgin City's Borough Briggs stadium.
- 4. St Paul's, Lancaster Gate and Marble Arch are stations on the **Central** line.

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