

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 27 APRIL 2017

QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

- Who is the current MP for West Bromwich East and Deputy Leader of the Labour Party?
Tom Watson
- Who directed Al Pacino in both *Serpico* (1973) and *Dog Day Afternoon* (1975)?
Sidney Lumet
- What is the two-word anatomical name of the muscle on the flank which covers the first eight ribs? The first part of its name is derived from the Latin for 'saw-shaped' and it may be referred to as 'the boxer's muscle' due to its significant involvement in the act of throwing a punch.
Serratus anterior
- What name is shared by a nineteenth century US President and a town in West London?
Hayes
- Killer* was a UK number one single in April 1990. The vocals were provided by Seal, but which artist—the song's creator and producer— was actually credited with the hit?
Adamski
- The huge physical presence of which former All Black and Rugby Union legend of the 1950s to 1970s earned him the nickname *Pinetree*?
Colin Meads
- On this day in which year were the top three UK singles *Theme From S-Express* by S-Express, *Heart* by The Pet Shop Boys and *Mary's Prayer* by Danny Wilson?
1988
- In which year did the Spanish Civil War begin?
1936
- Which is the only one of Shakespeare's plays that is largely set in France?
All's Well That Ends Well
- In the UK General Election of 1964 the Cardiff South East seat was won by future Labour Prime Minister James Callaghan. Who was the defeated Conservative Party candidate, a gentleman usually associated with a non-political field of endeavour?
Ted Dexter
- In 2007 who became the most recent British writer to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature? Her award citation described her as '*that epicist of the female experience, who with scepticism, fire and visionary power has subjected a divided civilisation to scrutiny*'.
Doris Lessing
- Zerlina, Masetto and Leporello are characters from which Mozart opera?
Don Giovanni
- Godalming in Surrey is home to which well-known independent school, whose *alumni* include John Wesley, Robert Baden-Powell, David and Jonathan Dibleby and the founder members of the rock group Genesis?
Charterhouse

14. Which group came second whilst representing the UK in the 1975 Eurovision Song Contest with the song *Let Me Be the One*?

The Shadows

15. Stockport County are currently playing in the National League North. Which team is the most northerly of the league's twenty-two members? They play home games at Blackwell Meadows, a ground they share with the town's Rugby Union team.

Darlington 1883 (also accept just 'Darlington')

16. Which team is the most easterly of the twenty-two teams in the National League North? As the result of a sponsorship deal their home ground York Street is currently known as the Jakemans Stadium.

Boston United

17. Which veteran crooner came 25th out of 26 when representing the UK in the 2012 Eurovision Song Contest with the song *Love Will Set You Free*?

Engelbert Humperdinck

18. Street in Somerset is home to which well-known independent school, whose *alumni* include Lily Allen, Tony Blackburn, Duncan Goodhew and Welsh rugby legends Gareth Edwards and J.P.R. Williams?

Millfield

19. Ping, Pang and Pong are characters from which Puccini opera?

Turandot

20. In 1907 who became the first British writer to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature? He received the award '*in consideration of the power of observation, originality of imagination, virility of ideas and remarkable talent for narration that characterize the creations of this world-famous author*'.

Rudyard Kipling

21. Which man, who represented Britain at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, captained Scotland at the 1966 Commonwealth Games and held the UK 100 metres record from 1967 to 1974, went on to lead a British political party in the 21st century?

Menzies ('Ming') Campbell (also accept 'Lord Campbell of Pittenweem')

22. Which is the only one of Shakespeare's plays that is largely set in Spain?

Love's Labour's Lost

23. In which year did the Korean War begin?

1950

24. On this day in which year were the top three UK singles *Bright Eyes* by Art Garfunkel, *Some Girls* by Racey and *Cool for Cats* by Squeeze?

1979

25. Now a TV pundit and journalist, which former Ireland and British Lions hooker's bald head earned him the nicknames *The Raging Potato* and *Uncle Fester*?

Keith Wood

26. *Groovejet (If This Ain't Love)* was a UK number one in August 2000. Lead vocals were by Sophie Ellis-Bextor, but which artist—the surname of the song's creator and producer—was actually credited with the hit?

Spiller

27. What name is shared by a nineteenth century US President and a famous 1960s music venue and centre of counterculture in San Francisco?

Fillmore

28. What is the two-word anatomical name of the muscle in the back between the top of the pelvis and the bottom of the shoulder blade? The first part of its name is taken from the Latin for 'broadest' and it is often referred to by bodybuilders as 'lats'.

Latissimus dorsi

29. Who directed Al Pacino in both *Scarface* (1983) and *Carlito's Way* (1993)?

Brian De Palma

30. Which MP for Hastings and Rye is the current Home Secretary?

Amber Rudd

First Written Round There is a theme (including one 'soundalike')

31. Responsible for the Best Picture Oscar mix-up at this year's Academy Awards ceremony, what is the full name of the professional services company usually referred to as *PwC*?

PricewaterhouseCoopers

32. Which 1972 UK number one single has these closing lines?

*Now I think I know what you tried to say to me
How you suffered for your sanity
How you tried to set them free
They would not listen
They're not listening still
Perhaps they never will.*

Vincent (by Don McLean)

33. Which English Football League club has played at its current ground since 1897, the year it won a League and FA Cup 'double'?

Aston Villa

34. What everyday name is given to members of the plant genus *Gossypium*?

Cotton

35. Which Canadian rock band, formed in 1968 and still going today, have released twenty studio albums including *Fly By Night*, *Hemispheres* and *Permanent Waves*?

Rush

36. In April 1969 which British yachtsman became the first person to complete a solo, non-stop circumnavigation of the world?

Robin Knox-Johnston

37. Which name is shared by the town in Virginia that is home to the headquarters of the CIA and a notorious housing estate in Middleton, Greater Manchester?

Langley

38. Which town in Yorkshire's Calder Valley is the birthplace of Ed Sheeran, home to the grave of Sylvia Plath, one of the principal locations for the critically-acclaimed BBC TV drama *Happy Valley* and known as 'the lesbian capital of the UK'?

Hebden Bridge

39. Which freshwater coarse fish of the *Cyprinidae* family is found in most British lakes and rivers and has the scientific name *Rutilus rutilus*?

Roach

40. As seen in the opening titles of his 1960s TV show, which British comedian filmed a sequence in Manchester's St Ann's Square in which he raised one arm and one leg against the corner of a shop window, with the resulting reflection giving the impression that he was levitating?

Harry Worth

Theme is (current) members of the cast of *Coronation Street*:

Ben Price (Nick Tilsley), Brooke Vincent (Sophie Webster), Sam Aston (Chesney Brown), Antony Cotton (Sean Tully), Debbie Rush (Anna Windass), Barbara Knox (Rita Sullivan), Bruno Langley (Todd Grimshaw), Malcolm Hebden (Norris Cole), Bill Roche (Ken Barlow), Helen Worth (Gail McIntyre)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which English county is home to Wincanton Racecourse?

Somerset

42. Newbury in Berkshire is connected to the city of Bath by which 87-mile-long canal?

Kennet and Avon Canal

43. What name is shared by the third Bishop of Rome (i.e. Pope) in the first century AD and the 'slack-jawed yokel' in *The Simpsons*?

Cletus

44. Which is the largest in area of the sixteen *Länder* (states) of Germany?

Bavaria

45. Which British actress, who played 'Duckface' in *Four Weddings and a Funeral* and Lady Anstruther in *Downton Abbey*, celebrates her 52nd birthday today?

Anna Chancellor

46. Give a year in the life of *Paradise Lost* author John Milton.

1608–1674

47. With whose show on BBC Radio 2 would you associate the *PopMaster* quiz?

Ken Bruce

48. In Shakespeare's *Othello*, which Venetian senator is Desdemona's father?

Brabantio

49. England's 1966 World Cup-winning squad featured three Liverpool players. Ian Callaghan and Roger Hunt were two; which full back was the third?

Gerry Byrne

50. In a sporting context, where would you find Indianapolis, Arnage Corner, The Esses, The Mulsanne Straight and the Dunlop Bridge?

(They are features of the) **Circuit de la Sarthe in Le Mans** (accept either 'Le Mans' or 'Circuit de la Sarthe')

51. Name the year: Oasis played two iconic concerts at Manchester City's Maine Road ground, Richard Krajicek and Steffi Graf were Wimbledon Singles champions and cinema box office hits included *Independence Day*, *Mission: Impossible* and *Jerry Maguire*.

1996

52. Which American hip hop group's debut studio album was *Behind the Front* in 1998?

Black Eyed Peas

53. Which garden bird seen widely throughout Britain has the scientific name *Turdus merula*?

Common Blackbird (accept just 'Blackbird')

54. The Finnish company that produces the game *Angry Birds* is usually referred to by which five-letter name?

Rovio

55. The Guinness PRO12 is the current identity of the competition that began in 2001 as the Celtic League, for professional Rugby Union teams in Scotland, Wales, Ireland and Italy. To date, what is the **full** name of the only Scottish team to have been champions, doing so in 2014–15?

Glasgow Warriors (don't accept just 'Glasgow')

56. Which team in the Guinness PRO12 won its only title in 2005–06 and plays home games at the Kingspan Stadium (formerly known as Ravenhill)?

Ulster

57. What is the six-letter name of the Swedish company, now a subsidiary of Microsoft, that produces the game *Minecraft*?

Mojang

58. Which garden bird seen widely throughout Britain has the scientific name *Passer domesticus*?

House Sparrow (accept just 'sparrow')

59. Which group's studio albums include *Talk on Corners* in 1997 and *Borrowed Heaven* in 2004?

The Corrs

60. Name the year: Whitney Houston's *I Will Always Love You* began its ten-week run at number one in the UK singles charts, Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf were Wimbledon Singles champions and cinema box office hits included *Basic Instinct*, *A Few Good Men* and *Wayne's World*.

1992

61. In a sporting context, where would you find Tom Morris, Bobby Jones, Burn and Ginger Beer?

St Andrews (they are holes on the Old Course) (accept either 'St Andrews' or 'Old Course')

62. England's 1966 World Cup-winning squad featured three Manchester United players. Nobby Stiles and Bobby Charlton were two; which outside forward was the third?

John Connelly

63. Which Shakespearean heroine is daughter of the exiled Duke Senior and niece to his brother Duke Frederick?

Rosalind (in *As You Like It*)

64. Critic Mark Kermode presents a film review show every Friday afternoon with which other BBC Radio 5 Live presenter?

Simon Mayo

65. Give a year in the life of the author of *Confessions of an English Opium-Eater*, Thomas De Quincey.

1785–1859

66. Which late US actor, who played Oscar Madison in *The Odd Couple* and the title role in the TV series *Quincy*, would have celebrated his 95th birthday today?

Jack Klugman

67. Which is the most populous of the twenty regions that comprise Italy?

Lombardy (or Lombardia)

68. What name is shared by a town in Lancashire and the school bully in *The Simpsons*?

Nelson

69. Which 28-mile-long canal, built as a defence against invasion during the Napoleonic Wars, runs between Folkestone and Hastings?

Royal Military Canal (also accept just 'Military Canal')

70. Which English county is home to Towcester (pronounced 'toaster') Racecourse?

Northamptonshire

Second Written Round

71. With which game would you associate the terms *Leaping Michaels*, *Smith Signal* and *Flannery*?

Bridge (accept either 'bridge' or 'contract bridge')

72. What is the **full name** of the controversial Australian political strategist who led the Conservative Party's successful General Election campaign in 2015 and also oversaw Boris Johnson's two victories in London Mayoral elections? His first name and surname are both places to be found on the English coast: one in Exmoor, north Devon and the other in Merseyside.

Lynton Crosby (both names required)

73. Ian Heaps of Stockport was the 1975 World Individual Champion at what?

Coarse Fishing (accept any answer containing 'fishing' or 'angling')

74. Which member of BBC Radio 4's Test Match Special team is nicknamed *The Vicar*?

Vic Marks

75. Who was the only British boxer to fight Muhammad Ali twice?

Joe Bugner

76. K2, the world's second highest mountain, is on the border between China and which other country?

Pakistan

77. Which sport is also known as *The Roaring Game*?

Curling (name derived from the sound the stones make when travelling on the ice)

78. Sheldon Cooper Ph.D., played by Jim Parsons, is a central character in which US TV sitcom?

The Big Bang Theory

79. Who wrote the best-selling 1987 novel *The Bonfire of the Vanities*?

Tom Wolfe

80. The cities of Cleveland, Ohio and Buffalo, New York are both on the shores of which of the Great Lakes?

Lake Erie

Spares

1. Who was the original drummer in the Manchester band Oasis? He was replaced by Alan White in April 1995.

Tony McCarroll

2. Which is the only US state besides North Carolina to share a border with South Carolina?

Georgia

3. The island of New Guinea is 'shared' by Papua New Guinea and which other country?

Indonesia

4. In 2015 the British flat racing Champion Jockey title was won for the first time ever by a rider from which country?

Brazil (Silvestre de Sousa)

5. The state capital, Honolulu, is on which of the Hawaiian islands?

Oahu

6. In the 2013 film *Dallas Buyers Club*, for which Matthew McConaughey won a Best Actor Oscar, what was the Buyers Club buying?

Anti-HIV drugs (accept just 'drugs' or 'medicines')

(set in the 1980s when experimental HIV/AIDS treatments were not readily available and often had to be sourced illegally)

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