LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER 2016 QUESTIONS BY THE FINGERPOST

First Verbal Round

1. Which former national daily newspaper was first published on 4 March 1986?

Today

2. Who was the composer of the opera *Ariadne auf Naxos*, first performed in 1912 and revised in 1916?

Richard Strauss

3. From which David Bowie album was the single Rebel Rebel taken?

Diamond Dogs

4. According to the *Old Testament* Jonah was fleeing to avoid preaching in which city when swallowed by the giant fish?

Nineveh

5. 1p coins are legal tender for any amount up to how much?

20p

6. Pall Mall and Northumberland Avenue are two of the three purple properties on a standard Monopoly board. What is the third?

Whitehall

7. What is the SI unit of magnetic flux?

Weber

8. Who is the patron saint of police officers?

St Michael (also accept 'Ambrose of Milan' and 'St Sebastian') see note 1

9. As of 24 October 2016 Dave Lewis is CEO of which company?

Tesco

10. Who won the 2016 Ladies' French Open tennis tournament?

Garbiñe Muguruza

11. As at 21 October 2016 who is Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport?

Karen Bradley

12. In the film Mary Poppins what is the name of the family to which she is nanny?

Banks

13. What is the name of the Roman equivalent of the Greek god Helios?

Sol

14. Various working replicas of early steam locomotives have been produced. Where would you go to see the one of Stephenson's *Locomotion No. 1*?

Beamish Museum (County Durham)

15. In which country is Uxmal, home of the pyramid known as *The Pyramid of the Magician*?

Mexico

	Tomato
18.	To which Derbyshire village would you go to visit the alleged grave of Little John?
	Hathersage
19.	Dover is the capital of which US state?
	Delaware
20.	What was the forename of the <i>Rising Damp</i> character Rigsby?
	Rupert
21.	Ta is the chemical symbol for element no. 73. What is its name?
	Tantalum
22.	King Juan Carlos I of Spain is a member of which royal house?
	Bourbon
23.	Penelope Keith's television series <i>Hidden Villages</i> uses whose guide for reference?
	Batsford's
24.	What is the capital city of the West Indian nation of Barbados?
	Bridgetown
25.	Give any year in the reign of the English monarch Richard II?
	1377–1399
26.	In Indian cookery it is known as <i>gajar</i> . By what name is it known in English?
	Carrot
27.	Who was the First Prime Minister of Queen Victoria's reign?
	(Second) Viscount (or 'Lord') Melbourne (real name William Lamb, accept either)
28.	Which series of 1731 paintings tells the story of Moll (or Mary) Hackabout?
	A Harlot's Progress
29.	Joseph Bramah is credited with the invention of which engineering device in 1795?
	Hydraulic Press
30.	Which Italian sculptor produced the work <i>The Rape of Proserpina</i> in 1621?
	Gian Lorenzo Bernini
First	Written Round
31.	The Palk Strait separates which two Commonwealth nations?
	India and Sri Lanka
32.	As at 23 October 2016 who is the manager of Blackburn Rovers Football Club?
	Owen Coyle

In the world of digital photography what does the abbreviation JPEG stand for?

Green Zebra, Amish Gold and Black Sea Man are unusual varieties of which foodstuff?

Joint Photographic Experts Group

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33.

Melbourne

Between 1901 and 1927 what was the capital city of Australia?

34. From which type of succulent plant is the drink Tequila made?

Blue Agave see note 2

35. Prussian Blue is a compound of which metal?

Iron

36. In Shakespeare who was the wife of Othello?

Desdemona

37. Which engineer was responsible for the Menai Road Bridge?

Thomas Telford see note 3

38. Nix and Styx are satellites of which body in the solar system.

Pluto

39. For which football team did Ian Botham play between 1980 and 1985?

Scunthorpe United

40. Which is the only country to lie entirely within the Alps?

Liechtenstein

Second Verbal Round

41. Who is the patron saint of students?

St Thomas Aquinas

(also accept 'St Katherine of Alexandria', 'St Gemma Galgani', 'St Ursula', 'St Albert the Great', 'St Joseph Calasanz' or 'St Joseph of Cupertino') see note 1

42. As of 24 October 2016 Steve Rowe is CEO of which company?

Marks & Spencer

43. Various working replicas of early steam locomotives have been produced. Where would you go to see the one of Hackworth's Sans Pareil?

Shildon Locomotion Museum (County Durham)

44. 5p coins are legal tender up to how much?

£5

45. Who won the 2016 Men's US Open tennis tournament?

Stanislas Wawrinka

46. In which country is Tikal, home of the pyramid known as The Temple of the Great Jaguar?

Guatemala

47. What is the capital city of the West Indian nation of Trinidad and Tobago?

Port of Spain

48. What is the SI unit of illuminance?

Lux

49. In the world of digital photography what does the abbreviation TIFF stand for?

Tagged Image File Format

50. Which national daily newspaper ceased publication on the 11 May 1971?

Daily Sketch

51. King Carl XVI Gustav of Sweden is a member of which royal house? **Bernadotte** 52. Who is the Greek equivalent of the Roman goddess Luna Selene 53. In Indian cookery it is known as palak. By what name is it known in English? Spinach 54. As at 21 October 2016 who is the Attorney General? **Jeremy Wright** 55. To which Derbyshire village would you go to visit the National Tramway Museum? Crich White Satin, Purple Dragon and Yellowstone are unusual varieties of which foodstuff? 56. Carrot 57. What was the forename of the Alien film character Ripley? Ellen Louise (accept 'Ellen') 58. Paul Murton's television series Grand Tours of Scotland uses whose guide for reference? Black's 59. The Tête à Tête, The Inspection and The Bagnio are part of which 1743 series of paintings? *Marriage à-la-mode* (by Hogarth) Who had a number six UK hit single in 1969 with Way of Life? 60. **Family Dogg** 61. Which French artist produced the work The Abduction of the Sabine Women in 1633-34? **Nicholas Poussin** 62. Give any year in the reign of English monarch Edward IV? 1461-1483 Who was the composer of the 1858 operetta Orpheus in the Underworld? 63. **Jacques Offenbach** 64. James Nasmyth is credited with the invention of which engineering device in 1839? **Steam Hammer** 65. There are three male suspects in a game of Cluedo. Colonel Mustard and Professor Plum are two; who is the third? **Reverend Green** Te is the chemical symbol for element no. 52. What is its name? 66. **Tellurium** 67. According to the New Testament upon which island was Saint Paul shipwrecked? Malta (also accept 'Melita' or 'Mljet') 68. Who was the first UK Prime Minister of King Edward VII's reign?

(Third) Marquis of Salisbury (real name Robert Gascoyne-Cecil, accept either)

In the film The Railway Children what is the family name of the children?

69.

Waterbury

70. Annapolis is the capital of which US state?

Maryland

Second Written Round

71. Which Lever Brothers (now Unilever) product was originally called honey soap?

Sunlight soap

72. The city of Milan is in which Italian region?

Lombardy

73. Who was the first European to visit Lake Victoria?

John Hanning Speke

74. Who played Tara King in the 1960s television series *The Avengers*?

Linda Thorson

75. Cynology is the study of what?

Dogs

76. Which city in the US is known as The Mile High City?

Denver (Colorado)

77. Which chemical compound has the trivial name aqua fortis?

Nitric acid

78. Which town houses the National Library of Wales?

Aberwystwyth

79. Which BBC drama series of 2013–14 was made on location in Hayfield, Derbyshire?

The Village

80. Primula veris is the Latin name for which wildflower?

Cowslip

Spares

1. The Kia car brand originates from which country?

South Korea

2. When is the next year that Halley's Comet will be visible from earth?

2061

3. How many players are there on a curling team?

Four

4. Which US baseball player was nicknamed the Sultan of Swat?

Babe Ruth

5. Which city will host the 2020 summer Olympic Games?

Tokyo

Notes

1. 'Who is the patron saint of...' style questions are probably best avoided as they nearly always have umpteen possible answers.

For police officers, in addition to the three given the following are also acceptable answers (including some that are country-specific): George, Jude, Martin de Tours, Mary and Our Lady of the Pillar.

Likewise for students; in addition to the seven possible answers already given, the following are also correct: Aloysius Gonzaga, Benedict of Nursia, Brigid of Ireland, Cassian of Imola, Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows (aka Francesco/Gabriel Possenti), Gregory the Great, Isidore of Seville, Jerome, John Bosco, Lawrence, Nicholas of Myra, Osanna Andreasi, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Philomena, Symphorian of Autun, Tatiana of Rome and Wolbodo. No doubt there are more.

- 2. The *blue agave* is also commonly referred to as the *tequila agave*, so it's probably not unreasonable to accept just 'agave' as a correct answer.
- 3. The bridge is usually referred to as the Menai <u>Suspension</u> Bridge. This is to differentiate it from Stephenson's Britannia Bridge, which used to be a rail bridge but now carries both rail and road traffic and is also sometimes referred to (probably incorrectly) as the Menai Road Bridge.

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