LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 5 JANUARY 2017 QUESTIONS BY THE STAR

First Verbal Round

1. Which Australian state capital lies beside the River Torrens?

Adelaide

2. Barbara Castle, Jack Straw and Kate Hollern have all been MP for which constituency?

Blackburn

3. Which American singer was born Alecia Beth Moore in 1979?

Pink

4. Magnus Carlsen has, since 2013, been world champion in what field of endeavour?

Chess

5. Which element, a soft metal, is named after the intense red colour of its spectral line?

Rubidium

6. Which artist and engraver, born in Liverpool in 1724, painted *Molly Longlegs*, now in the Walker Art Gallery?

George Stubbs

7. Who is regarded as the father of English geology, having created the first geological map covering much of Britain, published in 1815?

William Smith

8. Which Lake District pass would you drive over when travelling from Ullswater to Windermere?

Kirkstone Pass

9. 'Doc Cox', of *That's Life* fame, recorded smutty songs under which name?

Ivor Biggun

10. What is the term for the apparent focal point of a meteor shower, as viewed from the ground?

Radiant or radiant point see note 1

11. Name the American author who won the 2016 Man Booker Prize with *The Sellout*.

Paul Beatty

12. The word taboo originates from which language?

Hawaiian (also accept 'Tongan' or 'Polynesian')

13. In the SI system, what is the unit of measurement for 'amount of substance', which uses Avogadro's constant?

The mole

14. The A64 runs from Leeds to where?

Scarborough

15. Who was the British Prime Minister during the second Boer War of 1899–1902?

Lord (or Marquess of) Salisbury (real name Robert Cecil)

- The city of Timbuktu lies near which major river?
 Niger
- 17. For which constituency is Caroline Lucas the MP?

Brighton Pavilion (do not accept just 'Brighton')

18. Which British pop singer, who had four number one singles, was born Michael Barratt?

Shakin' Stevens

- 19. Lee Sedol, beaten four games to one by a computer in March last year, is a top player of what game? **Go**
- 20. Which element is used in glass-making to produce a ruby red colour known as cranberry glass?

Gold

21. Which American artist, born 1882, is best known for his painting Nighthawks?

Edward Hopper

22. What was the name of the pioneering palaeontologist and fossil-collector, born 1799, who made many important discoveries in the Lyme Regis area?

Mary Anning

23. After Wrynose Pass, which other Lake District pass would you drive over when travelling from Little Langdale to Eskdale?

Hardknott Pass

24. The Fairbrass brothers formed which band in1989, winning Ivor Novello Awards in 1992 and 1993?

Right Said Fred

25. The comet Swift-Tuttle is the parent body of which meteor shower, which peaks in August each year?

The Perseids

26. Who won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1982, 'for his novels and short stories, in which the fantastic and the realistic are combined in a richly composed world of imagination, reflecting a continent's life and conflicts'?

Gabriel García Márquez

27. The word bungalow originates from which language?

Hindi see note 2

28. Napier's constant, e, is known by what other name, after an 18th century Swiss mathematician?

Euler's number

29. The A63 runs from Leeds to where?

Hull

30. Who was the British Prime Minister at the end of the Crimean War in 1856?

Lord Palmerston (Henry John Temple)

First Written Round THERE IS A THEME

31. What is the term for a tide that is running in the same direction as the wind is blowing?

Lee, or leeward, tide

32. The official investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy, which reported in September 1964, is best known by what name?

The Warren Commission

33. Which wetland centre, six miles from Ormskirk, was opened to the public in 1975?

Martin Mere

34. Robert Swannell is the current chairman of which large retailer, which early in its history was the Leeds Penny Bazaar?

Marks & Spencer

35. Which 1960s hit song, covered many times, includes the words '*It's like thunder, lightning, The way you love me is frightening*' in its lyrics?

Knock on Wood

36. A street-wise, working-class teenager is sent across the country to stay with wealthy relatives in Los Angeles. Which 1990s US sitcom is this?

The Fresh Prince of Bel Air

37. According to the nursery rhyme, where did the muffin-man live?

Drury Lane (also accept 'Mulberry Lane')

38. Who is the Bangladeshi-born author of the 2003 novel *Brick Lane*, which was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize and also made into a film?

Monica Ali

39. Which England cricket captain was, in 2005, the first to win an Ashes series since Mike Gatting in 1986– 87?

Michael Vaughan

40. Which 1991 Terry Gilliam film, starring Jeff Bridges and Robin Williams, is based on Arthurian legend?

The Fisher King

Theme is celebrities who died in 2016:

Harper Lee , Tony Warren, George Martin, Howard Marks, Victoria Wood, Prince, Carla Lane ,Muhammad Ali, Peter Vaughan, Carrie Fisher.

Second Verbal Round

41. Who directed the '50s Westerns Winchester '73, Bend of the River, and The Far Country?

Anthony Mann

42. Which TV detective series, recently on the Drama channel, is based on books by Gladys Mitchell?

The Mrs Bradley Mysteries

43. In the Euro 2016 football championships, which country knocked the Republic of Ireland out of the tournament?

France

44. Which king succeeded Henry III to the English throne?

Edward I

45. The Gulf of Sirte lies off the coast of which African country?

Libya

46. Name the year: Ingrid Bergman dies, tennis player Mats Wilander wins his first Grand Slam at the French Open and the actress Anne Hathaway is born.

1982

47. In the TV programme The Simpsons, Horatio McCallister is better known as which character?

The Sea Captain

48. What are the three colours on the flag of Sierra Leone?

Green, white, blue

49. What town is the administrative centre of Wiltshire?

Trowbridge

50. Which small British bird has the Latin name Pyrrhula pyrrhula?

Bullfinch

51. Which Oscar-winner had a top ten singles hit in 1989 with Losing My Mind?

Liza Minelli

52. The areas Montpelier, St Jude's and Redcliffe are to be found in which English city?

Bristol

53. Which soft drink was advertised as having a 'totally tropical taste'?

Lilt

54. Which Neil Simon musical features the songs The Rhythm of Life and If My Friends Could See Me Now?

Sweet Charity

55. Connemara, Hanoverian and Percheron are all breeds of which animal?

Horse

56. Who directed the '60s Westerns North to Alaska, The Sons of Katie Elder and True Grit?

Henry Hathaway

57. Which TV detective series, recently on the Drama Channel, is based on books by David Cook?

Hetty Wainthrop Investigates

58. In the Euro 2016 football championships, against which team did Northern Ireland secure their only victory?

Ukraine

59. Which king succeeded Edward III to the English throne?

Richard II

60. The island of Trinidad lies off the coast of which South American country?

Venezuela

61. Name the year: Burt Lancaster dies, tennis player Sergi Bruguera wins the French Open for the second time and the actress Dakota Fanning is born.

1994

62. In the TV programme The Simpsons, Jeff Albertson is better known as which character?

Comic Book Guy

63. What are the three colours on the flag of Mali?

Green, gold, red (also accept 'yellow' for 'gold')

- 64. Which town is the administrative centre of Somerset? Taunton
- 65. Which small British bird has the Latin name Carduelis carduelis?

Goldfinch

66. Which Oscar-winner had a top ten singles hit in 1996 with One by One?

Cher

67. The areas Hockley, Beeston and Hyson Green are to be found in which English city?

Nottingham

68. Which company, a subsidiary of PepsiCo, makes the Oat So Simple breakfast cereal?

Quaker (Oats)

69. Which film, for which Neil Simon wrote the screenplay, resulted in the Best Actor Oscar for Richard Dreyfus in 1977?

The Goodbye Girl

70. Creole, Dexter and Welsh Black are all breeds of which animal?

Cattle

Second Written Round

71. What is the name of I. K. Brunel's bridge spanning the River Tamar at Saltash, opened in 1859?

Royal Albert Bridge

72. Bridget Riley is a leading exponent of which art style?

Op (Optical) Art

73. What is the proper chemical name for the drug LSD?

Lysergic acid diethylamide

74. Which two counties are mentioned in the last line of Edward Thomas's poem Adlestrop?

Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire

75. Who has succeeded Ban Ki Moon as UN Secretary General?

António Guterres

76. Who did Scipio Africanus defeat in the Battle of Zama in 202 BC?

Hannibal

77. Who was the manager of Aston Villa when they won the European Cup?

Tony Barton

78. Who wrote the children's book The Tiger Who Came to Tea?

Judith Kerr

79. According to Greek mythology who was the brother of Agamemnon, King of Mycenae?

Menelaus

80. The grape Nero d'Avola originates from which Italian region?

Sicily

Spares

1. In which county is Happisburgh, site of the earliest human settlement in the UK?

Norfolk

2. What is the common English name for the fruit known in France as *Reine Claude*?

Greengage

3. Emma Thompson's first husband was Kenneth Branagh; who is her second?

Greg Wise

4. Which original member of the Wailers embarked on a solo career in 1974, working with (among others) the Rolling Stones, and was murdered in 1987?

Peter Tosh (McIntosh)

5. Which capital city is served by José Martí Airport?

Havana

6. What is the name for the pasta that's shaped like a bow tie? (variations indicating small or large versions are acceptable)

Farfalle (or 'farfalline' or 'farfalloni')

Notes

- 1. 'Apparent radiant' is also an acceptable answer.
- 2. The exact etymology of *bungalow* is uncertain. There are a number of languages that *may* be its origin, so 'Urdu' and 'Gujarati' (and possibly others) are also acceptable answers.

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