KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER 2016 QUESTIONS BY TRAVELLERS CALL

First Verbal Round

1. Built in Solihull since 1948, Land Rover ended production of which model in January 2016?

Defender

2. Syncope is the medical term for what?

Fainting

3. What is the equivalent Army rank of a Royal Navy Commodore?

Brigadier

4. What was The Beatles' last UK No 1 hit single on the Parlophone label?

Lady Madonna

5. In which city did Benjamin Britten's opera *Peter Grimes* receive its first performance in 1945?

London (Sadler's Wells Theatre)

6. Who was appointed manager of Swansea City in January 2016?

Francesco Guidolin

7. In which year did the pre-decimal halfpenny cease to be legal tender?

1969

8. What is the main ingredient of the Latin American dish ceviche?

(Raw) fish

9. Dash Dash is the Morse code for which letter?

M

10. Who plays the title role in *Victoria*, currently showing on ITV on Sunday evenings?

Jenna Coleman

11. In which city is the Kelham Island brewery situated?

Sheffield

12. Which poet wrote the commentary for the short film Night Mail, released in 1936?

W. H. Auden

13. To which animal does the adjective leporine refer?

The hare see note 1

14. The jazz musician Chet Baker is best known for his playing of which instrument?

Trumpet

15. As of 5 October 2016 who is International Trade Secretary?

Liam Fox

16. Which Metrolink station comes between Chorlton and Trafford Bar?

Firswood

17. Only five pubs have featured in every edition of CAMRA's *Good Beer Guide*. One of them is in Liverpool. What is its name?

The Roscoe Head

18. Which British Prime Minister was a cousin of Rudyard Kipling?

Stanley Baldwin

19. In which cathedral is the tomb of King John?

Worcester

20. Which Scottish football team plays its home games at Station Park?

Forfar Athletic

21. Which London Underground line's termini are Harrow & Wealdstone in the north and Elephant & Castle in the south?

Bakerloo line

22. The title of which John Steinbeck novel is taken from a line in a poem by Robert Burns?

Of Mice and Men

23. Which Carry On actor was born in Hancock Street, Johannesburg?

Sid James

24. Which reference work has a thistle logo?

Encyclopaedia Britannica

25. Helen Ghosh is Director General of which organisation?

The National Trust

26. Blanche Dubois, recently played by Maxine Peake at the Royal Exchange, is the main character in which play?

A Streetcar Named Desire

27. What is Theresa May's husband's first name?

Philip

28. Viktor Orbán is the Prime Minister of which country?

Hungary

29. Which Stockport building opened to the public on 7 October 1932?

The Plaza Cinema

30. In which town in County Durham is the Nissan car plant situated?

Washington see note 2

First Written Round

31. In which year were both John Lennon and Ringo Starr born?

1940

32. What was invented by C. H. Townes in 1954?

The Laser

33. Name either of the two Italian towns hit by a 6.2 magnitude earthquake earlier this year.

Amatrice or Accumoli

34. Who won MasterChef 2016?

Jane Derbyshire see note 3

35. In which year did Idi Amin become President of Uganda after launching a coup against Milton Obote?

1971

36. In the cloakroom of which railway station was the famous handbag, featured in *The Importance of Being Earnest*, found?

Victoria

37. Which car manufacturer has produced models called Maxima and Navara?

Nissan

38. In human anatomy what does an *otologist* study?

The ear

39. In the 1970s TV series Shoestring, who played Eddie Shoestring?

Trevor Eve

40. In which publication would you read about St Theresa's Independent State Grammar School for Girls?

Private Eye

Second Verbal Round

41. Which singer released the 2011 concept album 50 Words For Snow?

Kate Bush

42. How many cycling gold medals did Team GB win in the 2016 Rio Olympics?

Six

43. What was the name of the German World War 2 line of defence that ran from Pisa to Ancona?

The Gothic Line

44. Thirlwall Castle is in which English county?

Northumberland

45. The fairy Mavis Cruet appeared in which children's TV series?

Willo the Wisp

46. Give a year in the life of the Venetian merchant traveller Marco Polo.

1254-1324

47. From Which club did Manchester United sign Eric Bailly?

Villareal

48. By what name is singer Jessica Ellen Cornish better known?

Jessie J

49. Which US State's motto is 'United we stand, divided we fall'?

Kentucky

50. Roskilde was a former ancient capital of which country?

Denmark

51. What was the name of the hurricane that devastated .New Orleans (and other places) in August 2005? Katrina 52. Absolut vodka comes from which country? Sweden 53. Which poet was described by Lady Caroline Lamb as 'mad, bad, and dangerous to know'? **Byron** 54. Which wading birds get their name from the neck feathers which male birds fluff out to intimidate each other? Ruff 55. What is the English name for the city that Italians call Livorno? Leghorn 56. What is meant by describing something as potable? It is drinkable 57. During whose minority did Edward Seymour, Earl of Hertford, become Protector of the Realm in 1547? **Edward VI** Mozart wrote 27 concertos for which instrument? 58. **Piano** The sparkling wine Nyetimber is produced in which country? 59. **England** (or UK/Britain) 60. At 1,083 feet high, Cleeve Hill is the highest point in which range of hills? The Cotswolds 61. Jo Cox, the MP murdered on 16 June 2016, represented which constituency? **Batley and Spen** 62. What was the final score in the 2016 Ryder Cup? **USA 17, Europe 11** 63. Tom Ogden is the lead singer with which band? **Blossoms** (from Stockport) 64. 4 October 1936 was the date of which battle in the UK? The Battle of Cable Street (in the East End of London, when the Black Shirts of the British Union of Fascists, led by Oswald Mosley, attempted to march through the area) 65. Which Radio 2 DJ is retiring in October 2016 at the age of 90? **Desmond Carrington.** 66. Which word can mean a type of cat, an area of Baghdad, or a piece of fabric? **Tabby** 67. In Greek mythology who-was the son of Peleus, king of the Myrmidons, and Thetis, a sea nymph? **Achilles**

68.

What is the largest city in Alaska?

Anchorage

69. Which TV star has recently published a book entitled *Peggy and Me*?

Miranda Hart

70. In which sport did Bryony Page win a silver medal in the Rio Olympics?

Trampolining

Second Written Round

71. In which Gilbert & Sullivan operetta is Jack Point (a strolling jester) one of the leading characters?

The Yeomen of the Guard

72. By what name was Radio 4 known before the major reshuffle of 1967 which saw the introduction of Radio 1?

The Home Service

73. A professor who holds a university chair founded by a monarch or filled by Crown appointment is known by what title?

Regius Professor

74. Whose body was placed alongside Lenin's in the Lenin Mausoleum in Red Square, Moscow, but removed in 1960?

Stalin's see pedantic note 4

75. Of which planet is Titania the largest satellite?

Uranus

76. Which significant day in the Christian calendar gives the title of T. S. Eliot's sequence of six poems published in 1930?

Ash Wednesday

77. From the Gaelic for 'large sword', which two-edged sword was traditionally used by Scottish highlanders?

Claymore

78. When converted into decimal currency, how much is 25 guineas?

£26.25

79. What alcoholic drink is referred to in Russian as 'pivo'?

Beer

80. In Roman mythology, who was the husband of Venus?

Vulcan

Spares

1. An image of The White House appears on the back of which US dollar bill?

20 dollars

2. Which impressionist painted the picture entitled *Before the Start*?

Edgar Degas

3. Steve Nallon was the voice of which Spitting Image character?

Margaret Thatcher see note 5

4. 'I was so much older then, I'm younger than that now' is a line from which Bob Dylan song?

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Notes

- 1. 'Rabbit' is also an acceptable answer.
- 2. The official address of Nissan's UK manufacturing plant is Washington Road, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, SR5 3NS.
- 3. *MasterChef 2016* was won by Jane **Devonshire**.
- 4. Stalin's body was moved from the mausoleum to the Kremlin Wall Necropolis in October 1961.
- 5. Although best known for voicing Mrs Thatcher, Nallon also provided several other *Spitting Image* voices, including Alan Bennett, The Queen Mother, Bruce Forsyth and Roy Hattersley.

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