

**CUP FINAL THURSDAY 17 MAY 2018**  
**QUESTIONS BY RAILWAY AND FINGERPOST**

**First Verbal Round**

1. Who is the Chief Executive Officer of TSB Bank, involved in their recent computer problems?  
**Paul Pester**
2. Which character played by Catherine Tyldesley is set to leave *Coronation Street* after seven years? (First name only is acceptable)  
**Eva Price**
3. In dynamics what property is measured in newton seconds?  
**Momentum** (also accept 'impulse')
4. Which television western series featured a cantankerous cook called George Washington Wishbone, played by Paul Brinegar?  
**Rawhide**
5. St. Germans is a village in Cornwall with a priory of the same name, but where in the British Isles is St. German's Cathedral?  
**Peel, Isle of Man** (accept either 'Peel' or 'Isle of Man')
6. In which year was the first Monday in May first celebrated as a Bank Holiday in England, Wales and Northern Ireland?  
**1978**
7. Which type of bread loaf, round with a cross in the top, became popular (and got its name) after the marriage of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert?  
**Coburg**
8. What name is given to a Spanish gold coin, minted from the 16th to the 19th century, originally worth two escudos? They were also minted in Peru and Mexico.  
**Doubloon**
9. In the *Harry Potter* films, who played Lord Voldemort (as an adult)?  
**Ralph Fiennes**
10. Which famous ship was launched by the French navy in 1779, taken by the British in 1793, and sank among the West Frisian Islands during a storm in 1799?  
**HMS Lutine**
11. Which city in New York State is named after an island in the Ionian Sea, regarded as the home of Homer's Odysseus?  
**Ithaca**
12. RSM Patrick Harper, played on television by Daragh O'Malley, was the right-hand man of which fictional character?  
**Richard Sharpe**
13. Niagara Falls comprises three waterfalls. American Falls and Bridal Veil Falls are two, which is the third?  
**Horseshoe Falls** (also accept 'Canadian Falls')
14. According to one description, which UK organisation's logo "suggests the plan of an ancient building with the buttresses shown as square protrusions around the exterior"?  
**English Heritage**

15. Who painted two versions of the biblical subject *Supper at Emmaus* in 1601 and 1606? One is in the National Gallery in London, the other is in Milan's Brera Art Gallery.

**Caravaggio**

16. The Swedish DJ and producer Tim Bergling committed suicide in Oman in April 2018. Under what stage name did he have hits such as *Wake Me Up* and *Hey Brother* (both in 2013)?

**Avicii**

17. What name was given by *Time* magazine to the people it collectively named as 'Person of the Year' in 2017?

**The Silence Breakers** (prominent members of the #MeToo movement)

18. Which sixth-century BC King of Lydia (in Asia Minor) was renowned for his wealth?

**Croesus**

19. Published in 1907 *The Secret Agent* was described by the critic F. R. Leavis as one of the two supreme masterpieces by which writer?

**Joseph Conrad**

20. At 8 months and 25 days, who was the youngest person ever to succeed to the English throne? Less than two months later he also succeeded to the French throne on the death of his maternal grandfather. He was allegedly murdered at the age of 49.

**Henry VI**

21. What first name was shared by the winners of the Best Actress Oscar for films released in 1964 and 1965?

**Julie** (Andrews (*Mary Poppins*) and Christie (*Darling*))

22. Which French Prime Minister reportedly claimed in 1991 that 25% of Anglo-Saxon males were homosexual?

**Edith Cresson**

23. Which modern-day country was known to Spanish colonialists, prior to independence, as Upper Peru?

**Bolivia**

24. What is the surname of the sister and two brothers who represented Great Britain in the Curling competitions at the 2018 Winter Olympics?

**Muirhead** (Eve, Thomas and Glen; Eve was captain (skip) of the women's team)

25. What name is given to the distance between threads on a screw?

**The pitch** (also accept 'lead' – pronounced as in 'Leeds')

26. Who, in 1844, described Stockport as '*one of the duskiest and smokiest holes in the whole of the industrial north*'?

**Friedrich Engels**

27. The city of Gary—25 miles from downtown Chicago and home to the Jackson Five—is in which US state?

**Indiana**

28. Iron pyrites, also known as *Fool's Gold*, is a compound of iron and which other element?

**Sulphur** (iron sulphide, FeS<sub>2</sub>)

29. Who is the current captain of Lancashire County Cricket Club, having replaced Steven Croft in November 2017?

**Liam Livingstone**

30. Josh Homme is celebrating his 45th birthday today. He is the front man of which US rock group, which had its first UK number one album last year with *Villains*?

**Queens of the Stone Age**

## First Written Round **THERE IS A TOPICAL THEME**

31. What was the highest-grossing film of 1981? It won four Oscars the following year, including Best Art Direction and Best Visual Effects?

**Raiders of the Lost Ark**

32. Which British national, daily newspaper was first published on 4 May 1896

**Daily Mail**

33. Which is the only team from outside the United States to have won baseball's World Series?

**Toronto Blue Jays**

34. What confectionery product was advertised in the 1960s by Lenny the Lion?

**Trebor Mints**

35. What was the **original** name of the American TV series that was based on *Till Death Us Do Part*?

**All in the Family** (later re-titled *Archie Bunker's Place*)

36. Which 1936 children's novel about the Fossil sisters is subtitled *A Story of Three Children on the Stage*?

**Ballet Shoes**

37. What is the common name for invertebrates belong to the classes *Scyphozoa* and *Cubozoa*?

**Jellyfish**

38. What name is given to the tree near the Nottinghamshire village of Edwinstowe, in which Robin Hood and his men are reputed to have slept?

**The Major Oak**

39. What was the name of Elizabeth Barrett Browning's spaniel, who was the subject of a biography by Virginia Woolf?

**Flush**

40. Originally released in 1982, which song has the opening line '*Hey little sister, what have you done?*'?

**White Wedding** (by Billy Idol)

**Theme is words that can be preceded by 'royal':**

Ark, mail, blue, mint, family, ballet, jelly, oak, flush and, of course, culminating in the royal wedding.

## Second Verbal Round

41. Who was the father of the two so-called *Princes in the Tower*?

**Edward IV**

42. Which film has the tagline '*To enter the mind of a killer she must first challenge the mind of a madman*'?

**Silence of the Lambs**

43. In which year were composers Giuseppe Verdi and Richard Wagner both born?  
(a three-year leeway of is allowed)

**1813** (accept 1810 to 1816)

44. In Greek mythology who slew the Chimera?

**Bellerophon** (also known as Bellerophontes)

45. Which legendary footballer was nicknamed *The Galloping Major*?

**Ferenc Puskás**

46. During World War II what nickname was given by the RAF to the Consolidated B-24 American heavy bomber? It later became incorporated by the USAF into the aircraft's official name.

**Liberator**

47. Name the father-and-son giants whose lives are detailed in five bawdy novels by François Rabelais

**Gargantua and Pantagruel**

48. In 2014 who replaced Neil Morrissey as the British voice of *Bob the Builder*?

**Lee Ingleby**

49. Lester Piggott won his first Epsom Derby at the age of just 18 riding which horse?

**Never Say Die**

50. Which UK duo had a number six hit single in 1976 with *Heart On My Sleeve*?

**Gallagher & Lyle**

51. RAF Cosford, home to an RAF museum, is in which English county?

**Shropshire**

52. The English word *wig*, referring to an artificial hairpiece, is a shortened form of which word for the same object?

**Periwig**

53. What is the nickname of the England women's Rugby Union team?

**Red Roses**

54. Published in 1983, which was the first of Terry Pratchett's *Discworld* novels?

**The Colour of Magic**

55. In the biblical book of *Genesis* who was the third son of Adam and Eve

**Seth**

56. Sphalerite is the principal ore of which metallic element?

**Zinc**

57. As a young man Anthony van Dyck, court painter to Charles I, worked as an assistant to which 'Old Master'?

**Rubens**

58. Mainland Australia and Tasmania are separated by which stretch of water?

**Bass Strait**

59. Name either of Wakefield's main railway stations?

**Kirkgate or Westgate.**

60. In Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* who is the Queen of the Fairies?

**Titania**

61. Castle Howard in Yorkshire is the seat of the holder of which Earldom?

(Earl of) **Carlisle** (the so-called 'Carlisle branch' of the Howard family)

62. Which household item was invented by James Dewar in 1892?

**Vacuum flask** (also accept 'thermos flask')

63. Which English county is home to the craft brewer The Box Steam Brewery?

**Wiltshire**

64. In terms of Health and Safety, for what does the abbreviation *PPE* stand?

**Personal protective (or protection) equipment**

65. Garuda is the national airline of which country?

**Indonesia**

66. What was unusual about the British general election held on 27 October 1931?

**Last general election not held on a Thursday** (it was a Tuesday)

67. Millicent Fawcett, the campaigner for women's suffrage recently honoured with a statue in Parliament Square, had an equally pioneering elder sister. Who was she?

**Elizabeth Garrett Anderson** (the UK's first female doctor)

68. Which supermarket chain was founded in 1970 by Malcolm Walker and Peter Hinchcliffe

**Iceland**

69. To the Romans it was known as *Camulodunum*. By what name is this place known today?

**Colchester**

70. What was the **full** name of the character played by John Travolta in the film *Grease*?

**Danny Zuko**

## Second Written Round

71. In the USA it is known as *rutabaga*. By what name is this foodstuff known in England?

**Swede**

72. What is the name of the cloth originally made in China from a yellow type of cotton?

**Nankeen**

73. What is the nationality of film director Peter Jackson?

**New Zealander**

74. In which decade was the Japanese technology company *Nintendo* founded?

**The 1880s** (September 1889)

75. In terms of area which is the largest of New York City's five boroughs?

**Queens**

76. What call sign is usually given to the US helicopter that carries the President?

**Marine One**

77. An *unkindness* is a collective noun for which birds?

**Ravens**

78. Napoleon Bonaparte died in exile on which island in the South Atlantic Ocean?

**St Helena**

79. In which city would you find the headquarters of the International Monetary Fund?

Washington DC

80. Chris Barber's Jazz Band had their only top ten single in 1959 with which tune?

***Petite Fleur***

## Additional Written Round (for use as 'extra time' in the event of a tie)

1. Which actor, best known as Mini-Me in the *Austin Powers* films, died of alcohol poisoning in April 2018?

**Verne Troyer**

2. What name do geologists give to a rock fragment between 64 and 256 mm in diameter, i.e. larger than a pebble but smaller than a boulder?

**A cobble**

3. Which town on the Kintyre peninsula is one of five areas in Scotland that are categorised as distinct malt whisky producing regions?

**Campbeltown**

4. In the standard British game of Scrabble™, what is the only score that is assigned to only one letter?

**Five** (for the letter 'K')

5. In the 2018 World Snooker Championship who knocked defending champion Mark Selby out in the first round?

**Joe Perry**

6. What is the middle name of American actor Richard Gere?

**Tiffany**

7. Stripes of which three colours appear on the flags of Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador?

**Yellow, Blue and Red**

8. In 1990 who became the Republic of Ireland's first female President?

**Mary Robinson**

9. What is the title of the Leonardo da Vinci painting that sold for a world record \$450 million in November 2017?

**Salvator Mundi** (also accept 'Saviour of the World')

10. Who was the first woman to become British Foreign Secretary?

**Margaret Beckett**

### Spares

1. Considered to be the apogee of medieval castle design, Krak des Chevaliers is in which country?

**Syria**

2. According to the biblical book of *Daniel*, which king of Babylon ordered Daniel to be thrown into the lions' den?

**Darius the Mede** (accept just 'Darius')

3. Which English town was created a city in 1992?

**Sunderland**

4. Who was appointed as US Secretary of State in April 2018, following the dismissal of Rex Tillerson in March?

**Mike Pompeo**

### Nearest-the-Bull tie-breaker

1. There were 147 league matches played during the Stockport Quiz League's 2017–18 season. What was the aggregate number of points scored in these matches?

**14,878**

2. Heathrow Airport's Terminal One building, which closed in 2015, was opened in which year?

**1968**

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