

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 9 MAY 2019
QUESTIONS BY FIVEWAYS

First Verbal Round

1. *Strigiformes* is an order of what type of bird?

Owl

2. Which seventeenth century book features the Slough of Despond, the Delectable Mountains and Vanity Fair?

The Pilgrim's Progress

3. What was the final codename for the Allied landings in North Africa on 8 November 1942?

(Operation) **Torch**

4. Which Latin phrase, often used about some works of art, means "remember that you will die"?

Memento mori

5. Give a year in the life of Saint Cuthbert.

634–687

6. Which photographer, widely considered the father of photojournalism, died in 2004 aged 96?

Henri Cartier-Bresson

7. Which mathematical term, also known as divine proportion, is also used in art criticism?

Golden Mean see note 1

8. The term of affection 'baby' or 'babe' is sometimes shortened to 'bae' in text messages. In this context it also serves as an acronym. What does 'bae' stand for?

Before anyone else

9. Which nineteenth century novel features a character called Angel Clare and an arrest at Stonehenge?

Tess of the D'Urbervilles

10. Of which country was Balthazar, one of the Three Wise Men, king?

Ethiopia (also accept 'Arabia') see note 2

11. Which photographer took the iconic image *The Kiss by the Hôtel de Ville*?

Robert Doisneau

12. Which poem begins with the line '*April is the cruellest month*'?

The Wasteland (by T.S. Eliot)

13. Following his death which US actor appeared in an advertisement saying "*Hello, I'm dead; smoking killed me*"?

Yul Brynner

14. Which courier company uses negative space to incorporate an arrow symbol?

FedEx

15. Which composer was born in Cheltenham and wrote the opera *The Wandering Scholar*?

Gustav Holst

16. Who said "*All men are cremated equal*"?

Spike Milligan

17. Which geographical feature takes its name from the Latin word meaning 'abandoned'?
- Desert**
18. In 1998 Clive Anderson opened proceedings for the first new BBC Channel for 34 years. What was it called?
- BBC Choice**
19. Which artist has refused the most honours from the current Queen?
- L. S. Lowry**
20. From 1952 what was the name of the United States Air Force's official study into UFO sightings?
- (Project) **Blue Book**
21. What does the internet acronym YMMV stand for?
- Your mileage may vary**
22. Which suite of music includes the pieces *The Great Gate of Kiev* and *The Gnome*?
- (Mussorgsky's) **Pictures at an Exhibition**
23. Which poem begins '*Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary*'?
- The Raven** (by Edgar Allan Poe)
24. *Corvus frugilegus* is more commonly known as what bird?
- Rook**
25. What was Jesus's first miracle?
- Turning water into wine** (at a wedding feast in Cana)
26. Of what geographical feature is *orography* the study?
- Mountains**
27. Who said "*Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe.*"?
- Albert Einstein**
28. Give a year in the life of Attila the Hun.
- 406–453**
29. Which mountain is shown on Toblerone packaging?
- The Matterhorn**
30. Which painter was knighted by both Spain and England in the seventeenth century?
- Peter Paul Rubens**

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME**

31. Which member of the cat family, also known as the ounce, is native to the mountains of central and south Asia?
- Snow Leopard**
32. What is the name of the club which was originally a literary and political club in the early eighteenth century and later a popular London nightclub in the 1920s?
- Kit Kat** (Club)
33. How many theses were there in Martin Luther's *Disputation on the Power of Indulgences* which he drew up in 1517?
- Ninety-five**

34. Which gymnastics score, thought to be unattainable until 1976, denotes a faultless routine?
10
35. Which desert is found between the Great Basin Desert to the north and the Sonoran Desert to the south?
Mojave (or Mohave)
36. What is the name of the UK's leading charity for single-parent families?
Gingerbread
37. Widespread UK fuel protests take place involving refineries blockaded; Bill Gates steps down as CEO at Microsoft; Concorde Air France Flight 4590 crashes just after take-off from Paris, killing all 109 aboard. What was the year?
2000
38. Which sweets were regularly given to visiting dignitaries by Ronald Reagan during his time as President?
Jelly beans
39. Taken from the plant genus *Rubus*, what is the name of the clever buck rabbit in *Watership Down*?
Blackberry
40. What was the name of the group formed in 1996 by an ensemble of Cuban musicians, the name of the group also being the title of a documentary about them in 1999?
Buena Vista Social Club

Theme is versions of operating systems:

Snow Leopard (MacOS); Kit Kat (Android); Windows 95; Windows 10; Mojave (MacOS); Gingerbread (Android); Windows 2000; Jelly Bean (Android); Blackberry OS; Windows Vista.

Second Verbal Round

41. In 1985 the world's worst air disaster involving a single aircraft saw a Boeing 747 crash in mountainous terrain in which country?
Japan
42. In which British newspaper did the *Jane* cartoon appear?
Daily Mirror
43. Name any two of the four states bordering Maryland?
Two from: **Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware**
44. Which artist founded the Royal Academy in 1786?
Joshua Reynolds
45. What fruit has the Latin name *Citrus japonica*?
Kumquat
46. Name the Persian god of wisdom – also the name of a car manufacturer?
Mazda
47. The GIS is a counter terrorism special forces unit of which country?
Italy
48. In the 1989–90 season, London was represented by a record eight teams in the top flight of English football. Arsenal, Chelsea, Charlton Athletic, Crystal Palace, Tottenham Hotspur and Millwall were six. Name one of the other two.
Wimbledon or QPR

49. In which British newspaper did the *Giles* cartoons appear?
(Daily/Sunday) Express
50. *Lloyd George Knew My Father* became a standard Welsh song in the early twentieth century. Name either of the two musical tunes to which it was sung?
Land of Hope and Glory or **Onward Christian Soldiers**
51. Which 2000 film directed by Roger Donaldson tells the story of the Cuban Missile Crisis?
Thirteen Days
52. Name either of the inferior planets in our solar system?
Mercury or **Venus** (closer to the Sun than the Earth)
53. Lady Gaga's 2009 song *Bad Romance* features the introduction from a piece of classical music by which composer?
J. S. Bach (*The Well-Tempered Clavier*)
54. Who voiced the character of Dory in *Finding Nemo* and *Finding Dory*?
Ellen DeGeneres
55. Which public London gallery is based in the Strand?
The Courtauld Institute
56. Who would use a *muleta* and/or a *banderilla*?
Toreador (or matador or picador) **see note 3**
57. Which English city has continually been home to a top-flight football team since the League's formation in 1888?
Liverpool
58. In 1983 a Soviet SU15 shot down a Boeing 747 passenger jet over Sakhalin Island, killing all 269 people on board. Which airline was involved?
Korean Airlines
59. In *The Polar Express* (2004) who voices the boy as the main character, his father, the train conductor, the hobo, Scrooge and Santa Claus?
Tom Hanks
60. Which mineral takes its name from the country whence it was thought to originate and was especially prized by ancient Egyptian and Navajo peoples?
Turquoise
61. At which racecourse is the Eclipse Stakes run?
Sandown Park
62. The Cassian Way connects Rome with which other Italian city?
Florence **see note 4**
63. What celestial body takes its name from the Latin for 'hair'?
Comet (*coma* = hair)
64. What is the fourth-largest US state by size?
Montana
65. Name the Greek god of youth – also the name of an evergreen shrub.
Hebe **see note 5**

66. Which 1994 film directed by Luc Besson starred Gary Oldman as a professional hitman?
Léon
67. Which natural organic gemstone is formed from the compressed wood of the prehistoric Monkey Puzzle or *Araucaria* tree?
Jet
68. The GIGN is a special forces unit in the armed forces of which country?
France
69. The Aurelian Way connects Rome with which other Italian city?
Genoa **see note 6**
70. Which plant is also known as *Ladies' Fingers* and is often an ingredient in gumbo?
Okra

Second Written Round

71. In 1999 which global brand changed its logo by removing an exclamation mark?
Google
72. What is the US state capital of Delaware?
Dover
73. In musical notation give either of the names of symbols sometimes known as *hairpins*?
Crescendo or diminuendo **see note 7**
74. Joe Fagin sang the theme song of which 1980s TV series?
Auf Wiedersehen Pet
75. What name is given to a square dance in five movements for four or more couples?
Quadrille
76. In October 1905 the Women's Social and Political Union took its first direction when it disrupted a Liberal Party meeting in Manchester. Where was this meeting being held?
Free Trade Hall
77. What was the codename of the alert state indicator used by the UK Ministry of Defence from 1970 until it was replaced by the UK Threat Levels in 2006?
Bikini
78. Which poet's death (of poison in an attic room) was the subject of a painting by Henry Wallis in 1856?
Thomas Chatterton
79. In the harbour of which city was the Greenpeace vessel Rainbow Warrior sunk in 1985?
Auckland
80. In Greek mythology as what did the monster Charybdis manifest itself?
Whirlpool

Spares

1. Before April of this year, in which year did Stockport County FC (senior team) last win a league title?
1967 (Fourth Division – now known as League 2)

2. Which painting by Velazquez in the National Gallery was slashed with a meat cleaver in 1906 by suffragette Mary Richardson?

The Rokeby Venus

3. What does NASDAQ stand for?

National Association of Securities Dealers Automatic Quotation

4. What method was invented by Emile Jaques-Dalcroze in the nineteenth century for expressing rhythmical aspects of music through gymnastic exercise?

Eurythmics

5. How many rays surrounded the rising sun depicted on the Japanese flag until 1945?

Sixteen

6. “Yaroooh!” was the cry of which fictional character?

Billy Bunter

7. Which yellow-to-orange variety of quartz takes its name from a fruit?

Citrine

8. Al Jarreau composed the theme song for which 1980s TV series?

Moonlighting

Notes

1. The golden ratio has numerous alternative names, all of which are acceptable answers. These include golden mean, golden section, extreme and mean ratio, medial section, divine proportion, divine section, golden proportion, golden cut and golden number.
2. It is pretty much impossible to provide a definitive answer to this question. The so-called ‘three wise men’ are mentioned once in *The Bible*—in Chapter 2 of *Matthew*—where they are neither named nor numbered, it simply states ‘*there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem*’.
- Over hundreds of years of Christian tradition the story became embellished and the names Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar were assigned to the magi having been ‘borrowed’ from numerous traditional stories in other cultures, often non-Christian. At some point in all this, in **some** versions of the story, an Ethiopian or Arabian heritage was assigned to Balthazar, although many other nationalities have also been suggested for the magi.
3. *Picadores* are on horseback and use lances rather than *banderillas* (darts) or a *muleta* (cape) – although they may occasionally employ a *banderilla* to provoke an insufficiently aggressive bull.
- It may have been easier just to accept the general term ‘bullfighter’ as the answer.
4. The modern-day cities of Viterbo and Siena are also located on the *Via Cassia*.
5. Hebe was the Greek goddess of youth.
6. The modern-day cities of Pisa, Piacenza and Cremona are also located on the *Via Aurelia*.
7. *Decrescendo* is an acceptable alternative to *diminuendo*.

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