

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY

QUESTIONS BY HMRUFC

First Verbal Round

- Which UK city has principal stations named General and Queen St?
Cardiff [see note 1](#)
- Born in Milan in 1571, the painter Michelangelo Merisi is better known by which name?
Caravaggio
- Which song written by Sting contains the lyric '*Since you've gone I've been lost without a trace, I dream at night I can only see your face*'?
Every Breath You Take
- Allahabadi cake, a traditional rum fruit cake, is popular with Christians from which country?
India
- Name the two conurbations that are at either end of the Kennet and Avon canal?
Bath and Reading [see note 2](#)
- What nationality was composer Frederick Chopin?
Polish
- Which English Rugby Union player was the first to gain 100 caps?
Jason Leonard
- Which US state has the longest land border with Mexico?
Texas
- Saurology* is the study of which animal species?
Lizards
- In which year were the first Winter Olympics held?
1924
- By what margin did Theresa May lose the Brexit vote on 15 January 2019?
230 (432 to 202)
- What job features in the title of the 2018 Man Booker prize winner?
Milkman
- On 19 April 2018 this country changed its name to Eswatini. What was its previous name?
Swaziland
- Which Welsh Rugby Union fly-half was the first to reach 1000 international points?
Neil Jenkins
- Julmust* is a traditional, very sweet, stout-like, Christmas soft drink from which country?
Sweden
- The film *The Sword in the Stone* was based on the novel of the same name by which author?
T. H. White
- In which Shakespeare play does Mistress Overdone appear?
Measure for Measure

18. By what margin did Theresa May survive the vote of no confidence on 16th January 2019?
19 (325 to 306)
19. Which British painter turned down an honour five times between 1955 and 1976?
L. S. Lowry
20. The Union Canal forms part of the link between which two UK cities?
Edinburgh and Glasgow
21. Albany is the capital of which US state?
New York
22. *Mycology* is the study of which organisms?
Fungi
23. Name the author from Northern Ireland who was the winner of the 2018 Man Booker prize.
Anna Burns
24. Which UK city has principal stations named St David's and Central?
Exeter
25. What nationality was composer Franz Liszt?
Hungarian
26. Which Michael Jackson single begins '*They told him don't you ever come around here, Don't want to see your face, you better disappear*'?
Beat It
27. Which sport returned to the Olympic Games in 2016, having last been played in 1904?
Golf
28. Which Shakespeare play includes a page called Moth and a clown called Costard?
Love's Labours Lost
29. Which film was the inspiration for the TV series Dixon of Dock Green?
The Blue Lamp
30. This country was once called *Serendib*. What is its present-day name?
Sri Lanka

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME (with, in one case, a bit of licence with the spelling)**

31. What is the name of the character played by David Duchovny in *The X Files*? (Both names required)
Fox Mulder
32. Which 1989 American prison drama film was directed by John Flynn and starred Sylvester Stallone, Donald Sutherland, Tom Sizemore, and John Amos?
Lock Up
33. Kerry Blue and Airedale are breeds of what type of dog?
Terrier
34. What character is played by Peter Fonda in *Ghost Rider* and Robert De Niro in *Angel Heart*?
The Devil
35. Which of Chekov's plays was booed by the audience when first performed in 1896?
The Seagull

36. Which comedian, star of her own eponymous show is a 4th cousin, twice removed, of Diana, Princess of Wales?

Miranda Hart

37. The Precision Optical Industry Company Ltd changed its name in 1947 to what more well-known name?

Canon (Camera Company Inc.)

38. The highest peak in the Galapagos Island is a volcano named after a German geologist who studied the Galapagos Islands in the 19th century. What is that name?

Wolf (Volcano)

39. What is the name of the 1925 Rudolph Valentino silent film based on the novel *Dubrovsky* by Pushkin?

The Eagle

40. What links a song by Wings, a car by Nissan and, in many cultures, a symbol of happiness?

Bluebird

Theme is items/animals on Premier League Club Badges

(Fox - Leicester City; Lock-up - Everton; Terrier - Huddersfield; Devil - Man Utd; Seagull - Brighton; Hart - Watford; Cannon (spelling) – Arsenal; Wolf – Wolves; Eagle – Crystal Palace; Bluebird – Cardiff)

Second Verbal Round

41. Who was the Norse Goddess of Death and the Underworld?

Hel

42. Which US city is served by an airport named after a Secretary of State under President Eisenhower?

Washington DC (Dulles)

43. Who composed the music for the opera *Der Rosenkavalier*?

Richard Strauss see note 3

44. What is the name of the mixture of herbs and spices, including thyme, sesame and cumin, that is used in Middle Eastern cookery?

Za'atar

45. The volcano Mount Egmont, which last erupted in 1755, is located in which country?

New Zealand

46. Which international rugby player is the partner of multi World and Olympic cycling medallist Becky James?

George North

47. In 1966 Eric Clapton was a founder member of Cream. In which band was he immediately preceding that?

John Mayall's Bluesbreakers

48. The country once known as French Somaliland became independent in 1977. What is its present name?

Djibouti

49. Seven actors have played Felix Leiter, the CIA agent in Bond films. Who is the latest?

Jeffrey Wright

50. Who was the mother of King Henry II?

Matilda

51. Which US State still has the Union Jack as part of its state flag?

Hawaii

52. In a European circuit diagram, what component is denoted by a zig-zag line?
A resistor (or resistance)
53. Which author published books under the penname Richard Bachman?
Stephen King
54. Which boxer is mentioned in the songs *We Didn't Start the Fire* and *The Lady is a Tramp*?
Rocky Marciano
55. What is the name of the hot paste made from chillies, spices and olive oil that is used in North African cookery?
Harissa
56. After leaving John Mayall's Bluesbreakers, Peter Green became a founder member of which band?
Fleetwood Mac
57. Which singer is the wife of former world Superbike champion James Toseland?
Katie Melua
58. Which Norse warrior fought and killed the monster Grendel?
Beowulf
59. The country once known as the Ellice Islands became independent in 1978. What is its present name?
Tuvalu
60. In which group of islands is Vulcano, a volcano which last erupted in the late 19th century?
Aeolian Islands
61. e , π (pi) and $\sqrt{3}$ (square root of 3) are examples of which type of number?
Irrational
62. Who composed the music for the operas *Macbeth* and *The Force of Destiny*?
(Giuseppe) **Verdi**
63. Which singer is mentioned in the songs *We Didn't Start the Fire* and *Come On Eileen*?
Johnny Ray
64. Four actresses have played Miss Money Penny in the Bond films. Who is the latest?
Naomi Harris
65. The Cologne/Bonn airport bears the name of which German Statesman?
Konrad Adenauer
66. Five American states joined the Union in the twentieth century. Which was the first, on 16 November 1907?
Oklahoma
67. Who was the mother of King Richard II?
Joan of Kent (also known as *The Fair Maid of Kent*)
68. Which author published books under the penname Barbara Vine?
Ruth Rendell
69. In a circuit diagram, what component is denoted by a pair of equal parallel lines at right angles to the connector.
A capacitor (or capacitance)
70. In statistics, what quantity is denoted by the Greek lower-case letter, sigma?
Standard Deviation

Second Written Round

71. Created in 1897, by which name is H. G. Wells' character 'Griffin' more commonly known?
The Invisible Man
72. Which record is most associated with saxophonist Raphael Ravenscroft?
Baker Street see note 4
73. There are seven permanently-inhabited islands in the Channel Islands. Jersey, Guernsey, Sark, Alderney and Herm are five of them; name one of the other two.
Jethou or **Brecqhou**
74. Who received the 1962 Nobel Prize for Medicine, alongside Watson and Crick?
Maurice Wilkins
75. By what name is the condition *tissue necrosis* better known?
Gangrene
76. Which Roman general defeated Spartacus and his army of slaves?
(Marcus Licinius) **Crassus**
77. Which former North West MP was Secretary of State for Local Government in Gordon Brown's cabinet?
Hazel Blears
78. Stalin died on 5 March 1953, the same date as which Russian composer?
Sergei Prokofiev
79. What was the occupation of George Formby prior to him becoming a music hall and film performer?
Jockey
80. Which bird of prey has the Latin name *Circus cyaneus*?
Hen Harrier

Spares

1. In which part of the body would you find papillae?
The Tongue see note 5
2. Which doctor and author wrote the *Bad Science* column for *The Guardian*?
Ben Goldacre
3. 2018 saw the first ever English trained horse to win the Melbourne Cup. Name the horse.
Cross Counter
4. Joshua Tree National Park and the Salton Sea are in which American State?
California
5. Which *Coronation Street* character in 2003 attempted to murder Emily Bishop and succeeded in murdering Maxine Peacock?
Richard Hillman
6. *The Mosquito Coast* is a novel by which author?
Paul Theroux

Notes

1. Cardiff does not have a train station named 'General'. It has both a Central and a Queen St, as does Glasgow. Presumably 'General' is a typo/auto-correct error that should have said 'Central'.
2. The Kennet and Avon canal usually refers to the entire length from **Bristol** to Reading, rather than just the central canalised section, which runs from Bath to Newbury. From Bristol to Bath, it follows the natural course of the river Avon; from Newbury to Reading it follows the course of the river Kennet.
3. Presumably underlining Richard in the answer is to signify that the full name is required, as there are several composers called Strauss. That is fine, but it may have been even better/clearer to include 'full name required' in the question.
4. For the benefit of anyone under forty, 'record' is a word used by old people to describe what you may know as a 'song' or 'choon'.
5. This question has several other correct answers: papillae can also be found in the gums, kidneys, skin and eyelids.

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