

**LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 7 MARCH 2019**  
**QUESTIONS BY THE RAILWAY**

**First Verbal Round**

1. On which David Bowie album did the hit single *Ashes to Ashes* originally appear?  
**Scary Monsters and Super Creeps** (also accept 'Scary Monsters')
2. Olivia Manning's three novels *The Great Fortune*, *The Spoilt City*, and *Friends and Heroes* are known collectively as what?  
**The Balkan Trilogy**
3. Cassiterite is the most important ore of which metal?  
**Tin**
4. What is a Carolina Reaper?  
**Chilli** (pepper) (possibly the world's hottest)
5. Actor Clive Swift, who died last month, was best known for which TV role?  
**Richard Bucket** (in *Keeping up Appearances*; also accept 'Hyacinth Bucket's husband')
6. In the Wars of the Roses which key battle of 30 December 1460 resulted in the death of the Duke of York near his home at Sandal Castle?  
**Battle of Wakefield**
7. In the 1970s two teams won the European Cup in three consecutive years. Name both.  
**Ajax and Bayern Munich**
8. What is the capital of the German state of Saxony?  
**Dresden**
9. Which Wetherspoons pub stands on Princess St, in the shadow of Manchester Town Hall, and is named after the architect of that building?  
**The Waterhouse**
10. In Greek mythology which Ethiopian princess was chained to rock as sacrifice to Poseidon, but was rescued by Perseus?  
**Andromeda**
11. Currently hosting a Channel 4 chat show, how is Tyrone Lindo better known?  
**Big Narstie**
12. If you are walking along The Mall towards Buckingham Palace, which park is on your left?  
**St James's Park**
13. Who played the male lead, opposite Audrey Hepburn, in the 1961 film *Breakfast at Tiffany's*?  
**George Peppard**
14. What two-word name was given to the Kuiper Belt object reached by the New Horizons mission in January, making it the furthest object to be visited by spacecraft?  
**Ultima Thule**
15. Complete this quote from Hollywood actor Billy Crystal.  
'*Women need a reason to have sex; men just need ...*'  
**A place**

16. Which writer wrote: '*I come from Des Moines, somebody had to*'?  
**Bill Bryson**
17. Which planet is the final destination of the BepiColombo space mission launched in October 2018?  
**Mercury**
18. Who played the male lead, opposite Judy Garland, in the 1948 film *Easter Parade*?  
**Fred Astaire**
19. Which London tourist attraction is situated next to Jubilee Gardens?  
**The London Eye** see note 1
20. Which Abba-loving TV character named his son Fernando?  
**Alan Partridge**
21. In Greek mythology which Titan, the subject of poem by Keats, was the father of Helios and Selene?  
**Hyperion**
22. Which Wetherspoons pub in Bolton's Nelson Square is named after a device invented by Samuel Crompton in the 1770s?  
**The Spinning Mule**
23. What is the capital of the Italian region of Lombardy?  
**Milan**
24. Which club has been the runner-up most times in the European Cup and Champions league?  
**Juventus** (seven times)
25. Which battle of 1782, in which the British under Admiral Rodney defeated the French fleet, is named after group of Caribbean islands?  
**Battle of the Saintes** (also known as the Battle of Dominica, but this is not a group of islands)
26. Actor Bruno Ganz, who died last month, was best known for which 2004 film role?  
**Adolf Hitler** (in *Downfall*)
27. What type of creature is an Irish pollan?  
**A fish**
28. Magnetite is one of the main ores of which metal?  
**Iron**
29. Who wrote the novels *The Girl at the Lion d'Or*, *Engleby* and *Week in December*?  
**Sebastian Faulks**
30. Which band's early album releases included *Damn the Torpedoes* and *Long after Dark*?  
**Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers**

### First Written Round

**THERE IS A THEME (which requires: one spelling variation, one plural instead of singular, one first name)**

31. *He's in Town* and *Poor Man's Son* were the only two top ten Hits for which British pop group of the 1960s?  
**The Rockin' Berries**
32. Which team did Blackpool defeat in the 1953 FA Cup Final – the so-called 'Matthews Final'?  
**Bolton Wanderers** see note 2

33. Who was Britain's Poet Laureate from 1913 to 1930?  
**Robert Bridges**
34. Bangor is the largest town in which Irish county?  
**Down**
35. What was formed in 1645 and led by Sir Thomas Fairfax?  
**The New Model Army**
36. Which cocktail is made with tequila, Cointreau and lime juice?  
**Margarita**
37. What common name is given to most of the trees that belong to the genus *Platanus*?  
**Plane**
38. Which Danish player won the women's singles title at the 2018 Australian Open tennis championships?  
**Caroline Wozniacki**
39. What was the first word in the title of Arctic Monkeys' debut album?  
**Whatever**
40. Films in what franchise have been released with the subtitles *Dawn of the Dinosaurs*, *Continental Drift* and *Collision Course*?  
**Ice Age**

**Theme is words found in the titles of top ten hits by Status Quo**

(*Rockin' All Over the World*; *The Wanderer*; *Burning Bridges*; *Down Down*; *In the Army Now*; *Marguerita Time*; *Paper Plane*; *Caroline*; *Whatever You Want*; *Ice in the Sun*)

**Second Verbal Round**

41. What is measured on the Saffir-Simpson scale?  
**Hurricanes** (also accept 'tropical storms' or 'cyclones')
42. Which author created the private investigator/crime solver Jackson Brodie?  
**Kate Atkinson**
43. On Radio 4 who asks the questions on *Round Britain Quiz*?  
**Tom Sutcliffe**
44. Andy Murray is the fourth tennis player to have won the *BBC Sports Personality of the Year* award. Who was the first?  
**Ann Jones** (1969) **see note 3**
45. In which Verdi opera is the title character's name Manrico?  
**Il Trovatore**
46. In which British city are Salisbury Crags?  
**Edinburgh**
47. Which US state is ultimately named after the first Governor of Virginia?  
**Delaware** (after Philip West, 3rd Baron De La Warr)
48. Which country left the Commonwealth in 1949?  
(Republic of) **Ireland**

49. Which film about rock climber Alex Honnold won the award for Best Documentary Feature at last month's Oscar ceremony?

**Free Solo**

50. Which religious sect developed in the 19th century around the teachings of John Thomas and takes its name from the Greek for 'Brethren in Christ'?

**Christadelphians**

51. What was the alternative name for the Consolidated B-24 bomber?

**The Liberator**

52. After an 18-year hiatus, which British band released a new album in 2019 entitled *Encore*?

**The Specials**

53. Which fruit is the largest tree-borne fruit in the world? It has recently become fashionable amongst vegans, being used as substitute for pulled pork amongst other things.

**Jackfruit**

54. Which king of England died in Osnabrück Castle?

**George I**

55. The residents of which city are known as *Cariocas*?

**Rio de Janeiro**

56. With a name meaning 'hunchback' in Portuguese, on which mountain in Rio de Janeiro does the Christ the Redeemer statue stand?

**Corcovado**

57. In which palace were the Queens Mary I and Elizabeth I both born?

**Greenwich Palace**

58. Defending herself against criticism in 2015, what fashionable dish was Nigella Lawson referring to when she said '*I'm fully aware that it isn't a recipe*'?

**Avocado toast**

59. After 5-year hiatus, which British singer released a new album in 2018 entitled *Look Now*?

**Elvis Costello**

60. Which surface-to-air missile system was used against Scud missiles in the 1991 Gulf War?  
(MIM-104) **Patriot**

61. Which ancient religion worships a deity of wisdom, Ahura Mazda, as its Supreme Being?

**Zoroastrianism**

62. Amy Adams was nominated for Best Supporting Actress at this year's Oscars for her performance as which real-life person?

**Lynne Cheney** (in *Vice*)

63. Which country left the Commonwealth in 2013, but re-joined in 2018 following the election of Adam Barrow as President?

**The Gambia**

64. After whom is the US state of Maryland named?

**Henrietta Maria** (also accept 'the wife of Charles I')

65. In which English county is Charterhouse School?

**Surrey**

66. In which Mozart opera is the title character employed by Count Almaviva?

***The Marriage of Figaro***

67. In 2018 Geraint Thomas became the fifth cyclist to win the *BBC Sports Personality of the Year* award. Who was the first?

**Tom Simpson** (1965)

68. On Radio 4 who asks the questions on *Counterpoint*?

**Paul Gambaccini**

69. Which author created the policeman/crime solver Inspector Tony McLean?

**James Oswald**

70. What is measured using an *hygrometer*?

**Humidity** (also accept 'water vapour content')

## Second Written Round

71. In which year was the *News of the World* founded? (There is some leeway)

**1843** (accept 1838-1848)

72. What is *paronomasia*?

**A pun or play on words**

73. What call sign is used for the helicopter that the US President travels in?

**Marine One**

74. Which three-letter word can follow 'heat' or precede 'on' to make new word in each case?

**Her**

75. Which genus of trees includes the species White, Goat, Peachleaf and Peking?

**Salix** (also accept 'willow')

76. In which month does St Bartholomew's Day fall?

**August** (24th)

77. Which English word, coined in the 16th century, comes from the Greek for 'no place'?

**Utopia**

78. How old was Buddy Holly when he died?

**22**

79. Which name, meaning 'behold the man', is used for paintings of Jesus being given up to the people by Pilate?

**Ecce homo**

80. Which city lies on the south-western tip of New Zealand's North Island?

**Wellington**

## Spares

1. Which children's TV series of the 1980s was produced by Jim Henson and featured Fulton Mackay as the Captain?

**Fraggle Rock**

2. Which vegetable has a variety called *Batavia*?  
**Lettuce**
3. Which element is added to steel to make it stainless?  
**Chromium**
4. What is the capital of Costa Rica?  
**San José**
5. What type of creature is a *hairstreak*?  
**A butterfly**

## Notes

1. It wouldn't be unreasonable to accept as alternative correct answers [the London Dungeon](#) and [the Queen's Walk](#), both of which are adjacent to Jubilee Gardens.
2. Just 'Bolton' would be an acceptable answer to question 32. In cases like this it is better to stress that the full name is required, to ensure that the answer includes the word that links to the theme.
3. Her real maiden name (Adrienne Haydon) and her full married name (Ann **Haydon**-Jones) are also acceptable answers.

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