

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

QUESTIONS BY THE FINGERPOST

First Verbal Round

- In the Marvel Cinematic Universe films which character is played by Scarlett Johansson?
Black Widow (or Natasha Romanova)
- Which month derives its name from a two-faced roman god?
January (from Janus)
- In which English city are the headquarters of the Forestry Commission?
Bristol
- From which occupation is the surname Dempster derived?
Judge
- The early renaissance artist born Alessandro di Mariano Di Vanni Filipepi (c.1445–1510) is better known by what name?
Botticelli
- Which two Royal Navy battleships were sunk by Japanese aircraft off the coast of what was then Malaya on 10 December 1941?
HMS Prince of Wales and HMS Repulse
- Which transuranic element number 101 is named after a Russian chemist (1834–1907)?
Mendelevium
- Which literary figure lived at Gads Hill Place?
Charles Dickens
- The Ivy League college of Princeton is located in which US State?
New Jersey
- The Raft of the Medusa* that hangs in the Louvre in Paris is a painting by which artist?
Théodore Géricault
- In the biblical book of *Judges* who was the only female judge?
Deborah
- In digital photography, the initials GIF are the common abbreviation for which term?
Graphic(s) Interchange Format
- In the television sitcom *Dad's Army*, although she is never seen or heard, what was the name of Captain Mainwaring's wife?
Elizabeth
- Which animal, native to Britain, has the Latin name *Erinaceus europaeus*?
Hedgehog
- Three Chords and the Truth* is the title of the latest album by which artist?
Van Morrison
- Which cocktail that shares its name with a magazine contains vodka, Cointreau, cranberry juice and lime juice?
Cosmopolitan

17. What is the capital city of French Guiana?
Cayenne
18. Who is the WTA player who won the French Open tournament singles in 2019?
Ashleigh Barty
19. The Peasants' Revolt took place during the reign of which English monarch?
Richard II
20. As at 1 November 2019, who is Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government?
Robert Jenrick
21. Who wrote the poem *The Charge of the Light Brigade*?
Alfred Lord Tennyson
22. The city of Pisa stands on which major Italian river?
Arno
23. What type of creature is a Horned Toad?
A lizard
24. With the discovery of which citadel is the academic Hiram Bingham most associated?
Machu Picchu
25. In Greek mythology how many eyes did the giant Argus (Argus Panoptes) possess?
One hundred
26. What is the principal grape used in the production of red wines from Beaujolais?
Gamay
27. In the 1960s TV series *The Saint* what make of car did Simon Templar drive?
Volvo (P1800)
28. In the biblical book of *Genesis* who was the only female daughter of Jacob?
Dinah
29. For what did the World War II acronym *PLUTO* stand?
Pipe Line under the Ocean (also accept the original derivation: 'Pipeline Underwater Transportation of Oil')
30. Which Savoy opera has the alternative title *Castle Adamant*?
Princess Ida

First Written Round **There is a theme**

31. Which small bird has the Latin name *Hirundo rustica*?
(Barn) **Swallow**
32. In the TV series *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* which character was played by David Boreanaz?
Angel
33. The Lancashire and Yorkshire railway headquarters were based alongside which station?
Manchester Victoria
34. Which British explorer was born in Blantyre on 19 March 1813?
David Livingstone
35. The A542 runs through which feature from Llandegla to Llangollen?
Horseshoe Pass

36. Which 1928 orchestral composition by George Gershwin inspired a 1951 Academy Award-winning film?

An American in Paris

37. Dornoch is the county town of which historic Scottish county?

Sutherland

38. *Villette* is an 1853 novel by which author?

Charlotte Brontë

39. Which cartoon cowboy character was an adversary of Bugs Bunny?

Yosemite Sam

40. 'Now hands that do dishes can feel soft as your face' began a jingle for which product?

Fairy Liquid

Theme is waterfalls

Swallow Falls, Wales; **Angel Falls**, Venezuela; **Victoria Falls**, Zambia/Zimbabwe; **Livingstone Falls**, Democratic Republic of Congo; **Horseshoe Falls**, British Columbia/Wales/Niagara/South Africa/Tasmania; **American Falls**, Niagara; **Sutherland Falls**, New Zealand; **Brontë Falls**, West Yorkshire; **Yosemite Falls**, USA; **Fairy Falls**, Wales.

Second Verbal Round

41. *The Death of Marat* that hangs in the Royal Museum of Fine Arts in Brussels is a painting by which artist?

Jacques-Louis David

42. What is the capital city of Surinam?

Paramaribo

43. From which occupation would the surname Ackerman derive?

Ploughman

44. In the Marvel Cinematic Universe films which character is played by Elizabeth Olsen?

Scarlet Witch (or Wanda Maximoff)

45. Excluding *Achilles*, which two Royal Navy cruisers engaged the German pocket battleship *KM Graf Spee* off the mouth of the River Plate on 13 December 1939?

HMS Exeter and **HMS Ajax**

46. For what did the World War II acronym *FIDO* stand?

Fog Investigation and Dispersal Organisation (also accept 'Fog, Intensive Dispersal Of') **see note 1**

47. Which cocktail that contains gin, Blue Curaçao, Cointreau, pineapple juice and lemonade shares a connection with Manchester City?

Blue Moon **see note 2**

48. Which composer wrote the piece of music entitled *Ritual Fire Dance*?

Manuel da Falla

49. Who is the WTA player who won the US Open tournament singles in 2019?

Bianca Andreescu

50. In Greek mythology the giants Ottus, Briareus (Aegaeon) and Gyes possess how many heads each? **see note 3**

Fifty

51. Which literary figure lived at Bateman's?

Rudyard Kipling

52. The Ivy League college of Yale is located in which US State?
Connecticut
53. In digital photography, the initials HDR are the common abbreviation for which term?
High Dynamic Range
54. Who wrote the poem *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*?
Robert Browning
55. The city of Turin stands on which major Italian river?
Po
56. What type of creature is a Velvet Ant?
A wasp
57. As at 1 November 2019, who is Secretary of State for Justice?
Robert Buckland
58. Which transuranic element number 100 is named after an Italian-American physicist (1901–1954)?
Fermium
59. Which composer wrote the piece of music entitled *The Sabre Dance*?
Aram Khachaturian
60. *From Out of Nowhere* is the latest album by which group?
(Jeff Lynne's) **ELO**
61. With the discovery of which palace is the archaeologist Sir Arthur Evans most associated?
Knossos
62. In the television sitcom *Keeping Up Appearances*, although he is never seen or heard, what was the name of Hyacinth Bucket's son?
Sheridan
63. What is the principal grape used in the production of red wines from Chianti?
Sangiovese
64. The early renaissance artist Guido di Pietro (1395–1455) is better known by which name?
Fra Angelico (also accept 'Fra Giovanni da Fiesole' or 'Beato Angelico')
65. Which Savoy opera has the alternative title *The Witch's Curse*?
Ruddigore
66. In which English city are the headquarters of the Met Office?
Exeter
67. Which animal, native to Britain, has the Latin name *Mustela putorius*?
(European or Western) **Polecat**
68. In the 1960s TV series *The Avengers* what make of car did Tara King drive?
Lotus (Europa) (also accept 'AC 428 Spider')
69. Which month derives its name from the Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth?
June (from Juno)
70. The Barons' Revolt, the Second Barons' war, took place during the reign of which English monarch?
Henry III

Second Written Round

71. Who created the detective Auguste C. Dupin?
Edgar Allan Poe [see note 4](#)
72. As at 1 November 2019 the Green Party only has one MP, who is it?
Caroline Lucas
73. Which Hollywood actor's real name was Emmanuel Goldberg?
Edward G. Robinson
74. In motoring terms what do the initials *PHEV* stand for?
Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle [see note 5](#)
75. In literature Tommy Traddles is a close friend of which character?
David Copperfield
76. For refusing to worship which king was Daniel thrown into the lions' den?
Darius
77. Which French overseas department lies 109 miles SW of Mauritius?
Réunion
78. To whom did Charles II grant a royal charter in 1662 'To promote natural knowledge'?
The Royal Society
79. Only two chemical elements are liquid at room temperature; name them.
Mercury and Bromine
80. To date Barbra Streisand has only had one number one hit single in the UK; name it.
Woman in Love

Spares

1. Which two English cathedrals have three spires?
Lichfield and Truro
2. The landrail is an alternative name for which bird?
Corncrake
3. What was the former name of the country of Malawi?
Nyasaland [see note 6](#)
4. Who played the starring role in the 1972 film *Young Winston*?
Simon Ward
5. What is the common name for the plant *Bellis perennis*?
Daisy
6. What is the largest moon of the planet Neptune?
Triton

Notes

1. The letter O stands for 'Operation', not 'Organisation'.
'Fog Intense Dispersal Operation' is an equally acceptable alternative.

2. There is no *definitive* list of ingredients for a Blue Moon cocktail. It is also not listed by the International Bartenders Association.
3. The giant's name was Cottus, not Ottus.
4. The character is usually referred to as C. Auguste Dupin.
5. The 'P' can also stand for 'Parallel' or 'Pneumatic'.
6. The even earlier name, British Central Africa Protectorate, is also a correct answer.