

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2024
QUESTIONS BY THE SWAN WITH TWO NECKS

First Verbal Round

1. The first McDonald's in the UK opened in Woolwich, south-east London on 13 November in which year?
1974
2. English Heritage site the Yarn Market, Dunster is a seventeenth-century, timber-framed, octagonal market hall located in which county?
Somerset
3. Which TV presenter journalist took over as host of BBC radio 5 Live's *Fighting Talk* in 2023?
Rick Edwards
4. In which *Carry On* film would you find Private Jimmy Widdle (Charles Hawtrey) and Brother Belcher (Peter Butterworth)?
Carry On Up the Khyber
5. Camille Saint-Saens' *Carnival of the Animals* is a humorous musical suite of how many movements?
14
6. Which Manchester pub, located on Great Bridgwater Street, is said to take its name either from Walter Scott's longest novel or a Manchester-to-London horse-drawn stagecoach?
Peveril of the Peak
7. Who succeeded Robert Southey as Poet Laureate in 1843?
William Wordsworth
8. Name the theme park located in Heanor, Derbyshire which closed in 2007.
American Adventure
9. The battles of Agincourt and Hastings took place in which month?
October
10. Which English radio broadcaster and TV presenter cut the ribbon to open the first UK McDonalds?
Ed 'Stewpot' Stewart
11. What company was originally called *Cadabra*?
Amazon
12. What character have both Glenn Close and Emma Stone played on film?
Cruella de Vil
13. Which Manchester pub, located on Charles Street, takes its name from a poem by Lady Carolina Nairne?
Lass O'Gowrie
14. Born on 7 November 1996, what is the stage name of singer Ella Marija Lani Yelich-O'Connor?
Lorde
15. In which *Carry On* film would you find Sergeant Jock Strap (Jack Douglas) and Reverend Flasher (Sid James)?
Carry On Dick
16. What is the diameter in inches of the average basketball hoop?
18 inches

17. English Heritage site Hardknott Roman Fort is located in which county?
Cumbria
18. The battles of Waterloo and Naseby took place in which month?
June
19. Which river flows through Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic?
Vitavia [see note 1](#)
20. How many animals are represented by musical instruments in Sergei Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf*?
Four (bird, cat, duck and wolf)
21. The women in Amy Tan's *The Joy Luck Club* meet to play what game?
Mahjong
22. Which journalist is the host of BBC Radio 4's *Round Britain Quiz*?
Kirsty Lang
23. Name the theme park located at Charnock Richard, Lancashire, which closed in 2012.
Camelot
24. Šipan is an island in the Adriatic Sea and belongs to which country?
Croatia
25. Born on 7 November 1988, what is the stage name of Patrick Chuckwuemeka Okogwu Jr.?
Tinie Tempah
26. What company was originally called *BackRub*?
Google
27. Which Disney movie franchise has the most sequels?
Toy Story (currently four)
28. Who succeeded John Flamsteed as Astronomer Royal in 1843? [see note 2](#)
Edmond Halley
29. Which NBA team plays its home games at Madison Square Garden?
New York Knicks
30. Which author penned the apocalyptic novel *The Stand*?
Stephen King

First Written Round [There is a theme](#)

31. The 1956 film *The Forbidden Planet* is based on which Shakespeare play?
The Tempest
32. DC Comics characters with the surnames Carter, Collins and Widdle were all known by what alias?
Goldstar
33. Boxers weighing between 115 and 118 lbs fight in which weight category?
Bantamweight
34. Which 1985 film was directed by Mark Lester and starred Arnold Schwarzenegger as lead character Colonel John Matrix?
Commando

35. The Hawker Siddeley HS-121 was the company designation of which commercial aircraft?
Trident
36. Which J. M. Barrie character is the daughter of Great Big Little Panther?
Tiger Lily
37. Middle distance runner Steve Cram was known by what nickname related to his home town?
Jarrow Arrow
38. The Leonids are what type of astronomical event that occurs annually?
Meteor showers
39. Which rock song begins with the lyrics:
*If you like to gamble
I tell you, I'm your man
You win some, lose some
It's all the same to me?*
Ace of Spades (Motörhead)
40. The land speed record for wheel driven vehicles of 449 mph was set in 2018 on which area of public land managed by the bureau of land management?
Bonneville (Bonneville Speedway in Utah)

Theme is British motorcycle models

Second Verbal Round

41. The American Goldfinch is the state bird of three US states. Name one of them.
One from: **Iowa, New Jersey** (called Eastern Goldfinch) and **Washington** (called Willow Goldfinch).
42. Which chemical element has the symbol Sb and the atomic number 51?
Antimony
43. In the public information films starting in the 1950s, what was the name of the squirrel that taught children about road safety?
Tufty
44. What was the surname of sitcom couple *George and Mildred*?
Roper
45. Which is the only body part that is fully grown from birth?
The eyeball
46. Which god is considered 'the destroyer' and is part of the Hindu Trinity?
Shiva
47. The national flag of which country is unique as it does not have four sides?
Nepal
48. Which king of England met with the leaders of the Peasants' Revolt in 1381?
Richard II
49. What is the name of the Egyptian God of the sun?
Ra
50. The Eastern Bluebird is the state bird of two US states. Name one of them.
Missouri or New York

51. Who plays the titular character in the titular Netflix show *Wednesday*, a spin off from the *Addams Family*?
Jenna Ortega
52. A 'pony' is a slang term for how many pounds?
£25
53. Which chemical element has the symbol Na and atomic number 11?
Sodium
54. '*By the pricking of my thumbs, something wicked this way comes*' is a quote from which Shakespeare play?
Macbeth
55. Which king of England was captured and imprisoned by Simon de Montfort in 1264?
Henry III
56. Which The Smiths album contains the singles *The Boy With the Thorn in His Side*, *Big Mouth Strikes Again* and *There is a Light That Never Goes Out*?
The Queen is Dead
57. *Ergophobia* is the fear of what?
Work
58. '*The course of true love never did run smooth*' is from which Shakespeare play?
A Midsummer Night's Dream
59. '*I am a man more sinned against than sinning*' is a quote from which Shakespeare play?
King Lear
60. An absence of the SRY gene means what for a human being?
It means the human is a female
61. Who wrote the poem *She Walks in Beauty*?
Lord Byron
62. How many main islands make up Hawaii?
Eight
63. A 'monkey' is a slang term for how many pounds?
£500
64. In the public information films starting in the 1970s, what was the name of the cat that advised children about various dangers they might encounter in their daily lives?
Charley
65. *With or Without You* appears on which U2 album?
The Joshua Tree
66. Who voices the titular character of *Velma* in the HBO Max cartoon spin-off from the *Scooby-Doo* franchise?
Mindy Kaling
67. What was the surname of the sitcom couple *Terry and June*?
Medford
68. Who wrote the poem *He Wishes for the Cloths of Heaven*?
W. B. Yeats
69. '*The fool doth think he is wise, but the wise man knows himself to be a fool*' is from which Shakespeare play?
As You Like It

70. *Amaxophobia* is the fear of what?

Driving (also accept anxiousness when riding in a vehicle or aircraft)

Second Written Round **There is a theme**

71. Who played Robin in the *Batman* TV series between 1966 and 1968?

Burt Ward

72. Which satirical poem by Lewis Carroll features two predatory figures luring unsuspecting oysters to their doom with false promises.

The Walrus and the Carpenter

73. Which British tennis player won the US Open doubles in 1971 and 1972? He was partnered in 1971 with John Newcombe and 1972 with Cliff Drysdale.

Roger Taylor

74. Reading, Berkshire, was known as 'Biscuit Town' as it was home to the factory of which biscuit manufacturer?

Huntley and Palmers

75. Which Welsh Labour Party politician spearheaded the creation of the British National Health Service?

Aneurin Bevan

76. Born in 1966, which former England international footballer is currently the Women's Technical Director at Birmingham City F.C.?

Hope Powell

77. Which Def Leppard song, taken from the 1987 album *Hysteria*, was the band's first top ten UK single?

Animal

78. Which cocktail is generally made from gin, lemon juice, sugar and carbonated water?

Tom Collins

79. Name the Southern terminus of the Blackpool tramway.

Starr Gate

80. What type of sweet biscuit, originally called Tea Biscuits, was chosen by Prince William as the main component of the groom cake for his 2001 wedding reception?

Rich tea

Theme is drummers

Bill Ward (Black Sabbath); Karen Carpenter; Roger Taylor (Queen or Duran Duran); Carl Palmer (ELP, Asia); Bev Bevan (The Move, ELO, Black Sabbath); Cozy Powell (solo and numerous bands); Animal (Dr Teeth and the Electric Mayhem, or Phil 'Philthy Animal' Taylor from Motörhead); Phil Collins (Genesis and solo); Ringo Starr; Buddy Rich.

Spares

1. Mindy Kaling voices *Velma* in the HBO Max cartoon spin-off from the *Scooby-Doo* franchise. What is Velma's surname?

Dinkley

2. *Cifras y Letras* was a Spanish TV show with similarities to which long-running UK TV show?

Countdown

3. Which comedian and actress is the Taskmaster in Channel 4 series *Junior Taskmaster*?

Rose Matafeo

4. The modernist *Atomium* in Brussels was originally constructed as the centrepiece for the Brussels World's Fair in which year?

1958

5. How many letters are there in the Maltese alphabet?

Thirty (*six vowels, twenty-four consonants*)

Notes

1. The correct spelling is Vltava.
2. Halley succeeded Flamsteed in 1720, not 1843.