

KNOCKOUT SEMI FINALS 22 MARCH 2012

QUESTIONS BY TAME VALLEY

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First Verbal Round

- 1 What metric unit denotes an area of 100 square metres?

Are

- 2 In which sport would the term 'nocking point' be used?

Archery

- 3 The French Parliament has two houses: the Senate and which other?

National Assembly

- 4 Which comic book character had a dog called Pearl?

Beryl the Peril

- 5 What was ABBA's last UK number one single in 1980?

Super Trouper

- 6 Who will be the captain of the 2012 European Ryder Cup team?

José María Olazábal

- 7 Where would you find the sequence of numbers 26-0-32? [see note 1](#)

On a roulette wheel

- 8 The Ordnance Survey 1:50,000 series of maps has what name?

Landranger (or Landranger Active)

- 9 In *Around the World in 80 Days* how much was Phileas Fogg's wager?

£20,000

- 10 In the game of Trivial Pursuit the pink questions denote what category?

Entertainment [see note 2](#)

- 11 Charles Hamilton wrote westerns as Ralph Redway, romances as Winston Cardew and school stories as who?

Frank Richards

- 12 What is the name of the cold, dry, katabatic wind that blows down the eastern side of the Adriatic coast?

Bora

- 13 What is the speed limit on most British Waterways canals?

4 m.p.h.

- 14 Which player holds the record for goals scored in English FA Cup finals?

Ian Rush (5)

- 15 What's the only number to have its letters in alphabetical order?

Forty

- 16 What do the initials EMI stand for in the name of the company of that name founded in 1931?

Electric and Musical Industries

- 17 What connects Eric Morecambe 1970, Tony Benn 1992 and Stephen Fry 2003?

Pipe smoker of the year

- 18 What word used colloquially for a short, undetermined length of time can also be used more scientifically in electronics to denote the interval between cycles of alternating current?

Jiffy

- 19 Which Shakespeare play ends '*So call the field to rest; and let's away, to part the glories of this happy day*'?

Julius Caesar

- 20 Which TV programme was set mainly in Hut 29, Surplus Ordnance Dept. Nether Hopping, Staffs?

The Army Game

- 21 Anaïs Anaïs is a fragrance from which perfume house?

Cacharel

- 22 In the BBC 2002 poll of greatest Britons the first Scotsperson was 20th; who was it?

Alexander Fleming

- 23 What number Olympiad will the London 2012 games be?

Thirtieth

- 24 Which team won the 2012 Superbowl in American Football?

New York Giants

- 25 In the 1976 film *Logan's Run*, at what age was life terminated?

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- 26 What name is given to the end of a hammer head opposite to the flat striking face?

Peen (also spelt 'pane' or 'pein')

- 27 Dick Deadeye appears in which Gilbert and Sullivan opera?

H.M.S. Pinafore

- 28 What first did Vic Oliver achieve in 1942?

Castaway on Desert Island Discs

- 29 '*I guess we all died a little in that damn war*', are the last words of which western movie?

The Outlaw Josey Wales

- 30 Which John Steinbeck novel gets its title from a Robert Burns poem?

Of Mice and Men (from *To A Mouse*)

Written round 1 THERE IS A THEME

- 31 Which ballet of 1936 had music by Richard Rodgers and was choreographed by George Balanchine?

Slaughter on Tenth Avenue

- 32 The Pearson sisters formed which Pop/R&B group in 1983?

5 Star [see note 3](#)

- 33 In which Dorothy L. Sayers novel was a man killed by the noise of church bells?

The Nine Tailors

- 34 Which ITV comedy series starred Nicholas Lyndhurst and Janet Dibley?

The Two of Us

- 35 Which 2011 play by Ben Brown portrayed Churchill fighting to keep a divided war cabinet supporting the war?

Three Days in May

- 36 Which US TV series was based on the Martin Caiden novel *Cyborg* and ran for 99 episodes?

The Six Million Dollar Man

- 37 Which battle in Belgium was a tactical draw between the French and the British allies and was two days before the Battle of Waterloo?

Quatre Bras

- 38 In which 1942 war film did the crew of a crashed British bomber seek assistance from the Dutch resistance?

One of Our Aircraft is Missing

- 39 In the 32 bar or AABA form of song writing, the B section or bridge is also known by musicians as what?

The middle eight

- 40 In *The Lord of the Rings* how many rings were there for the dwarf lords in their halls of stone?

Seven

Second Verbal Round

- 41 Who wrote the book *Keep the Aspidistra Flying*?

George Orwell

- 42 At which athletics event did British women win five successive Olympic silver medals: 1936, 1948, 1952, 1956 and 1960?

High Jump

- 43 Which of the lakes of the English Lake District is the deepest?

Wastwater (76 metres)

- 44 With whom did Frederic Dannay cooperate to write detective novels as Ellery Queen?

Manfred B. Lee

- 45 What alternative name for smelling salts or sal volatile is derived from the 17th century practice of extracting ammonia from an animal source?

Spirit (or salt) of Hartshorn

- 46 Who in Gilbert and Sullivan's *Mikado* was Lord High Everything Else?

Pooh Bah

47 The right of common called *estovers* gave a commoner the right to what?

Collect wood (accept 'collect fuel')

48 In which English county was the boxer Bob Fitzsimmons born?

Cornwall (Helston)

49 What name was given to the 1931 mutiny of sailors of the British Atlantic fleet at a town in the Firth of Cromarty?

The Invergordan Mutiny

50 The Jacobite rebellion that ended with the Battle of Culloden was commonly known as what?

The '45 (or The Rebellion of '45)

51 'What contemptible scoundrel stole the cork from my lunch' is a quote from which Hollywood comedy actor?

W.C. Fields

52 In May 1940, which King of Belgium surrendered his forces to the Germans?

Leopold III

53 Which playwright wrote the Oscar-winning screenplay for the 1963 film *Tom Jones*?

John Osborne

54 Inveraray Castle is the ancestral home of which Dukes?

Dukes of Argyll

55 What aid to farming was introduced by John Deere in 1837 which enabled areas previously unsuitable for farming to be cultivated?

The first steel plough

56 Which baseball player was known as *The Georgia Peach*?

Ty Cobb

57 *Northern Lights* and *The Amber Spyglass* are the first and last of the books in Phillip Pullman's *His Dark Materials* trilogy. What is the middle one called?

The Subtle Knife

58 Which of the Mr. Men did Roger Hargreaves write about first?

Mr. Tickle

59 What is the main use of a pitot tube on an aircraft?

To determine air speed

60 What is the alternative name for the bird called a *stormcock*?

Mistle thrush

61 Who in Shakespeare's *The Tempest* speaks the line '*Full fathom five thy father lies*'?

Ariel

62 In which English city is Cabot Tower?

Bristol

63 *Travellers Joy* and *Old Man's Beard* are alternative names for which plant?

Clematis

64 Who was British Prime Minister at the time of Indian independence?

Clement Atlee

65 Elton John's song *Empty Garden* was a tribute to who?

John Lennon

66 The 1955 Le Mans 24 hour race in which 84 people died was won by which British driver?

Mike Hawthorn

67 The British post code area SS is in and around where?

Southend-on-Sea

68 Which England cricketer who died in 2011 was known as *The Barnacle* because he was so difficult to get out?

Trevor Bailey

69 *What You See Is What You Get* is an autobiographical work by who?

Sir Alan Sugar

70 What is the third most abundant gas in dry air?

Argon

Second written round

71 The youngest and oldest Nobel Literature laureates were in 1907 and 2007; name either.

Rudyard Kipling (25) or **Doris Lessing** (88) [see note 4](#)

72 What is the only US state capital not to contain any of the letters in the state's name?

Pierre (South Dakota)

73 The B-29 bomber that dropped the first atomic bomb was *Enola Gay*; what was the name of the second that dropped the bomb on Nagasaki?

Bockscar (or Bock's Car)

74 Deriving its name from a Greek school of philosophy, which word means a specious argument used for deception, crafted to appear logical, but actually representing a falsehood?

Sophism

75 Who in film was the daughter of King Harold and Queen Lilian of Far Far Away

Princess Sophie (in *Shrek*) [see note 5](#)

76 Which motorway links Leicester and Coventry?

M69

77 A 'feathery' was an early type of what sporting item?

Golf ball

78 Duisburg sees the confluence of the river Rhine and which other river?

Ruhr

79 Whose 2010 debut album was entitled *Doo-Wops and Hooligans*?

Bruno Mars

80 George Ravenscroft (1632–1683) was an early manufacturer of products in what material?

Glass

'Extra time' written round

1 Which constitutional term is used for the validation of the appointment of a Secretary of State by the monarch?

Kissing (of) hands

2 For what does the acronym NASDAQ stand?

National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations

3 How many track events are there in a decathlon?

Four (100m, 400m, 1500m and 110mhurdles)

4 Which Jewish Queen, who saved her people from a massacre, is celebrated in the festival of Purim?

Esther

5 What is the family name of the owners of *Downton Abbey*?

Crawley

6 Which Channel 4 comedy panel game gets its name from a pet food advert?

8 out of 10 Cats

7 Cadel Evans, winner of the 2011 Tour de France, is the first winner from which country?

Australia

8 When Ken Livingstone became Lord Mayor of London in 2000, which official Labour party candidate was beaten into third place?

Frank Dobson

9 What was the first single released by the Beatles, in October 1962?

Love Me Do

10 'Over the Falls' 'Walking the Dog' and 'Round the World' can be performed on what?

A yoyo

Tie-breakers

1 To the nearest metre, how high is Mount Fuji?

3776 m

- 1 A more accurate answer is 'on a single-zero (or European) roulette wheel'. The number sequence is different on a double-zero (or American) wheel.
- 2 There are dozens of different 'editions' of Trivial Pursuit. Most, but by no means all, use pink to denote Entertainment questions.
- 3 5 Star was made up of five members of the Pearson family: three sisters and two brothers.
- 4 Rudyard Kipling became a Nobel Laureate at the age of 42, not 25.
- 5 The correct name of the Princess is Fiona, not Sophie.

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