

LEAGUE MATCHES 14 MARCH 2013

QUESTIONS BY THE CHUNKY

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First Verbal Round

- 1 Which twentieth century novel ends '*She walked rapidly in the thin June sunlight towards the worst horror of all?*

Brighton Rock

- 2 From which author's story was the opera *The Barber of Seville* taken?

Pierre Augustin Beaumarchais

- 3 According to Article II(2) of the US constitution, who, after the Vice President, is next-in-line for the presidency?

The Speaker of the House of Representatives

- 4 '*As far back as I can remember, I always wanted to be a gangster*' is the opening line to which classic mafia movie?

Goodfellas

- 5 Which *Coronation Street* actress is the daughter of a Lord and had a Top 20 single with *Where Will You Be??*

Sue Nicholls

- 6 Who was the second wife of James II (of England)?

Mary of Modena

- 7 What is the highest **non-commissioned** rank in the Royal Navy?

Warrant Officer

- 8 In mythology, by what means was Hercules killed?

He was given a poisoned cloak to wear (accept anything with poison and clothing)

- 9 Who had a number 11 hit in 1968 with the song *Something Here In My Heart?*

The Paper Dolls

- 10 Who did Joe Louis defeat in June 1937 to win the world heavyweight boxing title?

James J. Braddock

- 11 What are the four letters of the alphabet used in writing down DNA sequences?

C, A, G, T (accept in any order)

- 12 What is the name of the exclave of Angola on the coast between the Congo and DR Congo?

Cabinda

- 13 Which two elves appeared in a *Manchester Evening News* cartoon strip from 1938 until the 1970s?

Fudge and Speck

- 14 Cambridge House in Piccadilly, London used to be the home of a gentlemen's club. What two words were on the exterior of the building, giving rise to the club's present nickname?

IN and OUT (The Naval and Military Club is nicknamed 'the In and Out Club').

- 15 The 2014 Ryder Cup will be held on which golf course?

Gleneagles

- 16 The white wine grape *Huxelrebe* is most widely used in which European country?

Germany

- 17 In which English county are the headquarters of the conservation body The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds?

Bedfordshire (Sandy)

- 18 In *The Bible*, who is described in the *Book of Genesis* as 'a mighty hunter before the Lord'?

Nimrod

- 19 In the 1950s & '60s which petrol company's slogan promised 'happy motoring' wherever its signs were seen?

Esso

- 20 In the 1964 film musical *My Fair Lady*, which actor sang "I'm Getting Married in the Morning"?

Stanley Holloway

- 21 Which Premier League football club's badge features two seahorses?

Newcastle United

- 22 The explosive Semtex is manufactured by a company based in which country?

Czech Republic

- 23 The actress Julia Foster is the mother of which TV presenter and documentary star?

Ben Fogle

- 24 Which 1980 film directed by Walter Hill featured four sets of actor brothers?

The Long Riders (featuring the Carradines, Keaches, Quaid and Guests)

- 25 Which DJ and presenter in a much-repeated 1971 *Top of the Pops* clip mimed playing the mandolin with Rod Stewart for a performance of *Maggie May*?

John Peel

- 26 Tommy and Angelica Pickles feature in which children's TV cartoon series?

Rugrats

- 27 The heritage railway line between Exeter and Barnstaple in Devon is popularly known by what name, taken from a book about the area?

Tarka Line (*Tarka the Otter* by Henry Williamson)

28 Which county team are currently All-Ireland champions and Ulster champions at Gaelic football?

Donegal

29 In heraldry, which British bird is described as a 'corbie'?

Crow or Raven

30 Which rock group were winners of the Mercury Prize for best album in 2012?

Alt-J (*An Awesome Wave*)

First written round THERE IS A THEME

31 In Einstein's famous equation $E=MC^2$, what is meant by 'C'?

Speed of Light

32 Who is the current leader of the French extreme right party *Front National*, having taken over from her father in 2011? (forename and surname required)

Marine Le Pen

33 The coat-of-arms of Manchester City Council has a crest surmounted by a globe. What creatures are shown superimposed on the globe?

Bees

34 Which team was beaten 3-1 by Wolverhampton Wanderers in the 1948/49 FA Cup final?

Leicester City

35 According to the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 21 what kind of plant was cursed by Jesus?

Fig tree

36 Which metallic element has the atomic number 26?

Iron

37 Which song by Henry Mancini and Johnny Mercer won an Oscar for Best Original Song in 1961?

Moon River

38 Which character, a creation of French writer Jean de Brunhoff, first appeared in 1931?

Babar the Elephant

39 Which 2004 horror film (a re-make of a 1978 original) was Director Zack Snyder's first feature film?

Dawn of the Dead

40 Which infamous court of law was finally abolished by Parliament in 1641?

Star Chamber

Theme is Light; The Bee; The Pen; The City; The Fig(tree); Iron; The Moon; The Elephant; Dawn(Daybreak); The Star are all names given to Suras (chapters) in the Quran

Second Verbal Round

- 41 Which county team from Leinster are currently All-Ireland hurling champions?
Kilkenny
- 42 Which poet wrote this epitaph for his own grave: '*cast a cold eye on life, on death. Horseman, pass by!*'?
W. B. Yeats
- 43 Mussorgsky's opera *Boris Godunov* was based on a play by whom?
Alexander Pushkin
- 44 Which former US President later became Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court?
William Howard Taft
- 45 Which movie was publicised with the tag line: '*On every street in every city, there's a nobody who dreams of being a somebody?*'?
Taxi Driver
- 46 Which comedian made a guest appearance in *Coronation Street* as fitness fanatic Ernie Crabbe?
Norman Wisdom
- 47 Who was the second wife of Henry IV (of England)?
Joan of Navarre
- 48 A Captain in the army is equivalent to what rank in the RAF?
Flight Lieutenant
- 49 In mythology, who or what killed Jason?
His ship, the *Argo* (part of the hulk fell on him while he slept under it)
- 50 Who had a Top Ten hit in 1965 with the song *Mirror Mirror*?
Pinkerton's Assorted Colours
- 51 Bob Fitzsimmons was the first European to be world heavyweight boxing champion. Who, in 1930, was the second European to win it?
Max Schmeling
- 52 The analogue TV system of North America is known by which 4 letters of the alphabet?
NTSC (accept in any order)
- 53 Which country of the African mainland has its capital on an island 32 kilometres off the coast of another country?
Equatorial Guinea (the capital is Malabo on the island of Bioko, near Cameroon)
- 54 Who was the mortal enemy of the Fosdyke family in the Bill Tidy cartoon strip?
Roger Ditchley
- 55 Which association formed in 1905 has about 1500 members, including Ken Dodd, Prince Charles, Nigel Mansell and Stephen Frayne?

The Magic Circle (Stephen Frayne is 'Dynamo')

56 A bet known as a Yankee involves how many separate bets?

Eleven (one four-horse accumulator, four trebles and six doubles)

57 Which rock group were winners of the Brit Awards' Best British Group title in 2012?

Coldplay

58 In heraldry which colourful, non-British bird is described as a *popinjay*?

Parrot

59 The white wine grape *Airén* is most widely used in which European country?

Spain

60 In which English county are the headquarters of the conservation body The Woodland Trust?

Lincolnshire (Grantham)

61 In *The Bible's Book of Kings*, who is reportedly thrown out of a window to be eaten by dogs?

Jezebel

62 In the 1970s which petrol company used characters from *The Smurfs* to promote its products?

National [see note 1](#)

63 In the 1968 film musical *Oliver!*, which actress sang *Oom-pah-pah*?

Shani Wallis

64 Which Championship football club's badge features a red stag's or hart's head?

Watford

65 Glock pistols are manufactured by a company based in which country?

Austria

66 The actress Wanda Ventham is the mother of which TV and film actor?

Benedict Cumberbatch

67 Which 1981 film directed by Mark Rydell featured a father and daughter, both of whom were nominated for Academy Awards and BAFTAs as a result?

On Golden Pond (Henry & Jane Fonda)

68 Which DJ and presenter in a much-repeated 1974 *Top of the Pops* clip mimed playing drums with Mud for a performance of *Tiger Feet*?

Dave Lee Travis

69 Timmy and Pidsley feature in which children's TV animated series?

Shaun the Sheep

- 70 The heritage railway line between New Alresford and Alton in Hampshire is popularly known by what name, taken from produce associated with the area?

Watercress Line

Second written round

- 71 Which comedian hosted the modern-day version of the gameshow *Bullseye*?

Dave Spikey

- 72 John Griffith Chaney was the real name of which American author?

Jack London

- 73 *Known and Unknown* was a 2011 memoir by which American politician?

Donald Rumsfeld

- 74 In *The Bible*, who was Jacob's youngest son?

Benjamin

- 75 Opilio, Tanner and Dungeness are types of what creature?

Crab

- 76 Who described assassination as 'the extreme form of censorship'?

George Bernard Shaw

- 77 What is the name of the bright meteor shower seen every August?

The Perseids

- 78 Which country declared itself an independent republic on 17 June 1944?

Iceland

- 79 From which of Burns's poems are these lines taken: *'I am truly sorry man's dominion, Has broken nature's social union'*?

To a Mouse

- 80 Voltaire's character Candide witnessed the execution of an Admiral. Upon which real event was this based?

Execution of Admiral Byng

Spares

- 1 Whose guitar prominently displayed a sticker saying 'This Machine Kills Fascists'?

Woody Guthrie

- 2 Who was the first recorded European to visit the site of New York in 1524?

Giovanni da Verrazzano

- 3 Which Caribbean-born poet won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1992?

Derek Walcott

4 Name the French feminist author of, among other works, *The Second Sex* who died in 1986.

Simone de Beauvoir

5 The broadcasting company Al Jazeera is based in which country?

Qatar

Notes and corrections

1 An equally acceptable answer is 'BP', which also gave away Smurf figurines with petrol.

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