

KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING WEEK 1 MATCHES
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First Verbal Round

- 1 Who, as of 27 September, is the Prime Minister of Australia?
Julia Gillard
- 2 How many players are there in a handball team?
Seven
- 3 Which group had UK Top 10 hits in 1965 with *It's My Life* and *Bring It On Home To Me*?
The Animals
- 4 What is the capital city of Armenia?
Yerevan
- 5 In what year? The first commercial Concorde flight, Harold Wilson resigned as Prime Minister and the Eagles released *Hotel California*.
1976 [see note 1](#)
- 6 What type of pastry is used to make profiteroles?
Choux
- 7 What is the name for a triangle which has three sides of differing lengths?
Scalene
- 8 Apart from *Psalms*, which is the only other book of the Old Testament that begins with a 'P'?
Proverbs
- 9 What musical instrument does Lisa Simpson play in *The Simpsons*?
Saxophone
- 10 What was the name of the Russian Navy submarine which sank in the Barents Sea on 12th August 2000 with the loss of 118 lives?
Kursk
- 11 This year is the centenary of the birth in Higher Walton in Lancashire of which singer?
Kathleen Ferrier
- 12 What is the name of the dog in the *Tintin* comics?
Snowy or Milou
- 13 What was the name of the Greek god of war?
Ares
- 14 At which number on Baker Street did Sherlock Holmes live?
221B

- 15 Calvados is a brandy made from which fruit?
Apples
- 16 Which English Football League team plays at Ashton Gate?
Bristol City
- 17 Rickets is a disease associated with the deficiency of which vitamin?
Vitamin D
- 18 Which Mexican painter was married to Diego Rivera and had an affair with Leon Trotsky?
Frida Kahlo
- 19 Who was the fourth wife of Henry VIII?
Anne of Cleves
- 20 Which musical has the songs *If I Were A Rich Man*, *Sunrise, Sunset* and *Any Day Now*?
Fiddler on the Roof
- 21 Who are the two co-presenters of *Woman's Hour* on Radio 4?
Jane Garvey and Jenni Murray
- 22 The National Trust property Basildon Park is in what county?
Berkshire
- 23 Paul Ryan, the US Republican nominee for Vice-President in the upcoming Presidential election, is a Congressman for which state?
Wisconsin
- 24 How many sides does an icosagon have?
Twenty
- 25 James Lablache Stewart was the birth name of which film actor?
Stewart Granger
- 26 Which river flows through the Grand Canyon?
Colorado
- 27 Who was the first non-European to win the Tour de France?
Greg Lemond
- 28 What is the main ingredient of the Middle-Eastern and Arabic dish *hummus*?
Chickpeas
- 29 Which musical instrument is known as *Dudelsack* in Germany, *Biniou* in France, *Zampogna* in Italy, *Gaita* in Spain or *Zaqq* in Malta?
Bagpipes
- 30 The ancient region of Nubia is in which two modern countries?
Egypt and Sudan

First Written Round

- 31 Which actors were The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly in the film of that name?
Clint Eastwood, Lee Van Cleef And Eli Wallach
- 32 Where would you find the letters BCE, ECB, EZB, EKT and EKP together?
Euro Bank Notes (initials of the European Central Bank in different languages)
- 33 Which country has been ruled by the Chakri dynasty since 1782?
Thailand
- 34 Whose first single released in 1963 was *Come On* with *I Want to be Loved* on the B side?
Rolling Stones
- 35 In which two English cathedrals is there a copy of the 1215 *Magna Carta*?
Lincoln and Salisbury [see note 2](#)
- 36 Who is the author of the best-selling book *Fifty Shades of Grey*?
E. L. James
- 37 On the Google logo what colour is the letter 'L'?
Green
- 38 What is the most northerly populated island in the British Isles?
Unst
- 39 Which painter's most famous work is a series of stylised descriptions of the bushranger Ned Kelly in the Australian Outback?
Sidney Nolan
- 40 Which avian raptor has the Latin name *Pandion haliaetus*?
Osprey

Second Verbal Round

- 41 What is the SI unit of frequency?
Hertz
- 42 How many gold medals did Team GB win in the London 2012 Olympics?
29
- 43 What are Mizaru, Kikazaru, and Iwazaru?
The three wise monkeys
- 44 Who was the President of Uganda before and after Idi Amin?
Milton Obote
- 45 Which drink was created by the Coca Cola company in Nazi Germany during World War 2 to compensate for its inability to import Coca Cola syrup?
Fanta

46 Who was the founder of Lotus Cars Ltd?

Colin Chapman

47 The flag of which Mediterranean island is bisected diagonally into regions coloured red and yellow with a triskelion in the middle?

Sicily

48 The 1929 St. Valentine's Day Massacre took place in which city?

Chicago

49 By what name was Chris Sievey, who died in 2010, better known?

Frank Sidebottom

50 Yossarian is the main character in which twentieth century novel?

Catch-22

51 What term is used to designate food seen as permissible according to Islamic law (Sharia)?

Halal

52 In which country do 100 qindarka make 1 lek?

Albania

53 The play *The Ghost Train* was written by which actor who appeared in a long-running TV sitcom?

Arnold Ridley

54 In mythology, who killed the nine-headed Hydra?

Herakles or Hercules

55 On the Metrolink line to Oldham Mumps what is the next station after Victoria?

Monsall

56 What did Oscar Wilde describe as '*the unspeakable in pursuit of the uneatable*'?

Fox hunting

57 Real Madrid won the first five European Cup finals. Which team won the sixth?

Benfica

58 The Ishihara test is used to detect what condition?

Colour blindness

59 English and what other language are the official languages of Pakistan?

Urdu

60 In the song *The 12 Days of Christmas* what are there nine of?

Ladies dancing [see note 3](#)

61 Which Salford-born publisher produced from 1839 the most successful and longest published series of combined railway timetables?

George Bradshaw

- 62 Who won an Oscar in 1993 for the song *Streets of Philadelphia*?
Bruce Springsteen
- 63 The Strait of Otranto separates which two countries?
Italy and Albania
- 64 Who, as at 25 September, is Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport?
Maria Miller
- 65 Which crop is attacked by the boll weevil beetle?
Cotton
- 66 Which artist painted in 1930 the iconic picture *American Gothic*?
Grant Wood
- 67 Lafayette Ronald Hubbard founded which cult?
(The Church of) Scientology
- 68 Which 1988 film had the tagline 'A tale of murder, lust, greed, revenge, and seafood'
A Fish Called Wanda
- 69 In Greek mythology, who solved the 'riddle of the Sphinx'?
Oedipus
- 70 The novels of Andrea Camilleri have been adapted for which TV crime series?
Inspector Montalbano

Second Written Round

- 71 What are the names of the two Italian rugby teams in the RaboDirect Pro12?
(Benetton) Treviso and Zebre
- 72 In photography, what do the initials SLR stand for?
Single Lens Reflex
- 73 John Jacob Astor, the first American multi-millionaire, made his fortune from what?
Fur trading
- 74 What comes next in this sequence: kilobyte, megabyte, gigabyte, terabyte...?
Petabyte
- 75 The RMS *Titanic* had two sister ships. What were their names?
Olympic* and *Britannic
- 76 Cherry Belle, Red King and Plum Purple are varieties of which vegetable?
Radish
- 77 Who wrote the operas *The Force of Destiny*, *Otello* and *Falstaff*?
Giuseppe Verdi
- 78 Which brewery produces the beers *Wild Swan*, *Kipling* and *Jaipur*?

Thornbridge

- 79 Who, as at 27 September, is the MP for Stalybridge & Hyde?

Jonathan Reynolds

- 80 Who wrote the autobiographical book *Joseph Anton: A Memoir* published in September 2012?

Salman Rushdie

Spares

- 1 Who is/was the youngest winner of a Formula 1 race?

Sebastian Vettel

- 2 What woman is the (unofficial) emblem of France?

Marianne

- 3 Which Arabic name translates into English as 'servant (or slave) of God'?

Abdullah [see note 4](#)

- 4 In which city are the Headquarters of the International Monetary Fund?

Washington D.C.

- 5 How many branches are there on a Hanukkah menorah?

Nine

- 6 In which country is the Court of Justice of the European Communities, usually called the European Court of Justice (ECJ)?

Luxembourg

- 7 What in economics is *monopsony*?

A market with a single buyer

- 8 Which commercial chain is named after a character in *Moby Dick*?

Starbucks

- 9 On a standard English computer keyboard what letter lies between B and M?

N

- 10 Which birds has species called Tree, Rock, Meadow and Tawny?

Pipit

Notes and corrections

- 1 The *Hotel California* referred to is the album. The single of the same name was released in 1977.
- 2 Hereford and Durham cathedrals also have copies of *Magna Carta*, but these are of later (i.e. post-1215) versions of the text.
- 3 There are umpteen different versions of this song and they mostly agree up to eight, but

thereafter anything goes. 'Ladies dancing' is most commonly used for nine, but there are versions that refer to nine 'lords-a-leaping', 'drummers drumming', 'pipers piping/playing' and even 'ladies waiting'.

- 4 Whilst 'Abdullah' is correct, it is only one of dozens of Arabic names that mean 'servant of God/Allah'.

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