

KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING WEEK 5
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QUESTIONS BY THE RAILWAY

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First Verbal Round

- 1 Which athlete went for 9 years 9 months and 9 days without defeat until June 1987?
Edwin Moses
- 2 Which novel begins "*Lying in bed, I abandoned the facts again and was back in Ambrosia*"?
Billy Liar
- 3 *Erithacus rubecula* is the scientific name of which garden bird?
The robin
- 4 Which character in *The Magic Roundabout* had a barrel organ?
Mr Rusty
- 5 Who wrote the TV series *Love Soup*?
David Renwick
- 6 Which chemical element now has the symbol Cn?
Copernicium
- 7 Which river runs through the town of Morpeth?
Wansbeck
- 8 Who was British Prime Minister from 1902 to 1905?
Arthur Balfour
- 9 *And I Am Telling You I'm Not Going* is a song featured in which musical?
Dreamgirls
- 10 Which US president shares his surname with a former English county?
(Grover) Cleveland
- 11 What is the exterior angle of a regular octagon?
45 degrees
- 12 Give a year in the reign of Richard III.
1483-1485
- 13 In the film *Twelve Angry Men*, which actor played the part of the juror who was the last to declare the accused not guilty?
Lee J. Cobb
- 14 Which motorway connects Glasgow with Kilmarnock?
M77
- 15 Who was elected MP for Manchester Central in November 2012?

Lucy Powell

16 World AIDS Day 2012 was on which date?

1 December

17 Who lived for the last 28 years of his life in 'The Elms' in Mottram-in-Longendale?

L.S. Lowry

18 Whose symphony no.8 was known as the *Stalingrad Symphony*?

Shostakovich

19 What is the capital of Moldova?

Chisinau [see note 1](#)

20 Which sport do the Glasgow Rocks play?

Basketball

21 The fragrance *Pleasures* is made by which perfume house?

Estée Lauder

22 The code *CWL* represents which British airport?

Cardiff

23 Where in London would you find Eric Gill's sculpture of *Prospero and Ariel*?

Over the entrance of BBC Broadcasting House

24 Which grandson of Methuselah had three sons at the age of 500?

Noah

25 Whose recent autobiography is entitled *Running My Life*?

Sebastian Coe

26 Whose real name is Julia Elizabeth Wells?

Julie Andrews

27 In what year did Bob Marley die?

1981

28 Which current football league team plays at The New York Stadium?

Rotherham United

29 What kind of animal is a *chuckwalla*?

A lizard

30 In which county is the town of Oakham?

Rutland

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME**

31 What four-word phrase is sometimes known as the Birkenhead Drill?

Women and children first

- 32 For which 1948 film, set in Mexico, did both John Huston and his father Walter win Oscars for Best Director and Best Supporting Actor respectively?

The Treasure of the Sierra Madre

- 33 Australians Daniel Jones and Darren Hayes had UK hits in the 1990s with *To the Moon and Back* and *Truly Madly Deeply*, under what name?

Savage Garden

- 34 What is the alternative name for St Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Manchester?

The Hidden Gem

- 35 Which metal has the highest electrical and thermal conductivity?

Silver

- 36 Which London thoroughfare links the Mall with Hyde Park Corner and got its name from King Charles II's habit of taking daily walks there?

Constitution Hill

- 37 What is the name of the teacher who was allegedly killed by police in Southall on St Georges Day 1979, during a demonstration organised by the Anti-Nazi League?

Blair Peach

- 38 Which song contains these lines?

'Talking is cheap, people follow like sheep, Even though there is nowhere to go, How could she tell, he deceived her so well, Pity she'll be the last one to know.'

Silence is Golden

- 39 What hairstyle is also known as a B-52?

Beehive

- 40 What was the original name of Sir Francis Drake's ship *The Golden Hind*?

The Pelican

Theme is official US state nicknames:

First (Delaware), Treasure (Montana), Garden (New Jersey), Gem (Idaho), Silver (Nevada), Constitution (Connecticut), Peach (Georgia), Golden (California), Beehive (Utah), Pelican (Louisiana)

Second Verbal Round

- 41 When was the first British census?

1801

- 42 In 1792 George Vancouver named the waters to the south of the Tacoma narrows in honour of a lieutenant in the British Navy who was accompanying him on the expedition. Who was that lieutenant?

Peter Puget

- 43 Which American Football team made four consecutive Super Bowl appearances, losing on each occasion?

Buffalo Bills

- 44 Peruvian Bark is a source of which common drug?
Quinine (also accept 'quinidine')
- 45 Which UK town had the Roman name *Danum*?
Doncaster
- 46 Dash Dash Dot Dot Dot is the Morse code for which number?
Seven
- 47 The New York Yankees have won the most World Series in history, but who is second in the number of wins?
St Louis Cardinals
- 48 Which anniversary gift is associated with the fifteenth year?
Crystal
- 49 The Mesozoic geological time period is subdivided into the Cretaceous, Jurassic and which other time period?
- 50 Who were the first two men to appear on American postage stamps?
George Washington and Benjamin Franklin
- 51 The screenwriter of *When Harry Met Sally* died in 2012. What was her name?
Nora Ephron
- 52 Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys died in 2012. By what three letters was he known?
MCA
- 53 Pierre Omidyar founded which company?
Ebay
- 54 The wartime poster *Keep Calm and Carry On* was rediscovered in 2000 in a bookshop in which northern town?
Alnwick
- 55 Mexico shares a border with which two Central American countries?
Guatemala and Belize
- 56 Which classic Edwardian novel is set in the fictional town of Mugsborough?
The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists (by Robert Tressell)
- 57 In email & SMS communications what does *GAL* stand for?
Get A Life
- 58 Who in literature was told to '*Make a remark, it's ridiculous to leave all the conversation to the pudding*'?
Alice (in *Through the Looking Glass*)
- 59 The Metropolitan Cathedral in Brasilia, designed by Oscar Niemeyer, has a cupola known by what name?
Crown of Thorns

- 60 Which brewery brews Tanglefoot beer?
Badger (or Hall and Woodhouse)
- 61 Which well-known actor is the son of a charlady and a Billingsgate fish porter?
Michael Caine
- 62 Which three football teams were part of the original Football League in 1888 and part of the Premiership when it started in 1992?
Aston Villa, Blackburn Rovers & Everton
- 63 What are the three orange properties on a Monopoly board?
Bow, Marlborough and Vine Streets
- 64 Which Channel 4 comedy sketch show (1989 to 1993) starred Moray Hunter, Morwenna Banks, John Sparkes and Gordon Kennedy?
Absolutely
- 65 Biggin, Bollinger, Cumberland, Postilion, Toongabbie and Zucchetto are all types of what?
Hat (or head covering)
- 66 Who is the regular presenter of Radio 2's 5 am weekday morning programme?
Vanessa Feltz
- 67 Which country has the longest suspension bridge in the world (judged by unsupported main span)?
Japan (Akashi Kaikyo at Hyogo)
- 68 Water, Carbon Dioxide, Sodium Bicarbonate, Potassium Bicarbonate, Potassium Chloride and Halon are all used in what familiar objects?
Fire extinguishers
- 69 What is the name of the thin, puckered cotton, usually striped or checked (the word is from the Hindustani and in turn from the Persian for 'milk and sugar')?
Seersucker
- 70 Beriberi is caused by the lack of which vitamin?
B₁ (Thiamine)

Second Written Round

- 71 Name the second day's events in the decathlon.
110 metres hurdles, discus, pole vault, javelin and 1500 metres
- 72 Which Gilbert and Sullivan opera is subtitled *The King of Barataria*?
The Gondoliers
- 73 In which year did the Ibrox Park disaster and the death of Khrushchev occur?
1971
- 74 Under which Prime Minister was the Old Age Pension introduced?

Herbert Asquith

75 Frank Borman and William Anders were among the first people to see what in 1968?

The far side of the moon

76 What is the state capital of Wyoming?

Cheyenne

77 Which country is bounded by Saudi Arabia and Oman?

Yemen [see note 2](#)

78 Who wrote the plays *Bar Mitzvah Boy* and *Spend, Spend, Spend*?

Jack Rosenthal

79 What is the more common name of the infectious disease *pertussis*?

Whooping cough

80 Which country's patron saint is St. Willibrord?

The Netherlands [see note 3](#)

Spare

1 What year was the Bank of England founded?

1694

2 How many eyes does a bee have?

Five (two compound and three simple)

3 Which large island is called *The Island of the Moon* by its native inhabitants?

Madagascar

4 What is the state capital of Nevada?

Carson City

5 NATO was founded in which year?

1949

Notes and corrections

- 1 The alternative spelling 'Kishinev' is an equally acceptable answer.
- 2 'United Arab Emirates' is an equally acceptable answer.
- 3 'Luxembourg' is an equally acceptable answer.

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