LEAGUE MATCHES 28 FEBRUARY 2013 QUESTIONS BY THE RATPIT

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First Verbal Round

- 1 Which ex-monarch was democratically elected as Prime Minister of their country in 2001? Simeon II of Bulgaria
- In the 1997 film *L.A. Confidential*, who plays the part of Det. Lt. Edmund 'Ed' Exley?
 Guy Pearce
- 3 A *shuriken* is an example of what type of weapon used by Japanese ninja warriors?

A sharpened star shaped projectile

4 Mount Lucania is the third-highest mountain located entirely in which country?

Canada

5 Paul di Resta and which other driver drove for Force India in the 2012 F1 season?

Nico Hülkenberg

- 6 Thoth was the Egyptian god of what?
 - Writing and knowledge see note 1
- 7 Who won the 2011 Crime Writers' Association Ellis Peters Historical Award for the novel *The Somme Stations*?

Andrew Martin

8 Who was the last king of Portugal upon the monarchy's dissolution in 1910?

Manuel II see note 2

9 In the definition supplied by BT, what does the acronym ADSL stand for?

Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line

10 Issur Danielovitch is the real name of which actor?

Kirk Douglas

- 11 *Carduelis carduelis* is the Latin name for which British bird? **Goldfinch**
- 12 *Tekagi* are why type of implements used by Japanese ninja's?Climbing hooks see note 3
- 13 Name a year in the life of the composer Modest Mussorgsky.1839-1881
- 14 In the field of communications, what does the acronym *PSTN* stand for?

Public Switched Telephone Network

15 After the cabinet reshuffle of September 2012, who became the Minister of Justice?

Chris Grayling

16 The islets of Langerhans are found in which part of the body?

The Pancreas

- 17 In the 1997 film *L.A. Confidential*, who plays the part of Capt. Dudley Smith?James Cromwell
- 18 Luis Perez-Sala was the team principal for which team during the 2012 F1 season?HRT (Cosworth)
- 19 Ru is the symbol for which chemical element?

Ruthenium

20 Which novel by Jojo Moyes won the 2011 Romantic Novel of the Year award?

The Last Letter From Your Lover

- 21 Mount Dampier is the third highest mountain in which country? New Zealand
- 22 *Motacilla alba* is the Latin name for which British bird?

Pied wagtail see note 4

- 23 Seth (Set) was the Egyptian god of what? see note 5
 Chaos (also accept promulgator of thunderstorms and violence)
- 24 After the cabinet reshuffle of September 2012, who became the Minister of Transport?

Patrick McLoughlin

25 Spangler Arlington Brugh is the real name of which actor?

Robert Taylor

26 *Md* is the symbol for which chemical element?

Mendelevium

- 27 Who won the Golden Boot at the 1990 FIFA World Cup finals?Salvatorie ('Toto') Schillaci
- 28 Name a year in the life of the composer of Diderik Buxtehude.

1637-1707

29 Broca's area is found in which part of the body?

The brain

30 Who won the Golden Boot at the 1974 FIFA World Cup finals?

Grzegorz Lato

First written round

³¹ In the 1986 film *Top Gun* Tom Cruise played the lead role of Maverick, but what is the character's real name?

Pete Mitchell

32 Name all the clubs David Beckham has played for in his senior career (as of 13/01/2013).

Manchester United (1993-2003), Preston North End (1995, loan), Real Madrid (2003-2007), L.A. Galaxy (2007-2012), A.C. Milan (2009 & 2010, loan)

³³ Barclays Bank, amongst others, has been in the news over the last few months due to the 'LIBOR scandal', but what does 'LIBOR' stand for?

London Interbank Offered Rate

34 Including prototypes how many Concorde aircraft were actually built?

Twenty (2 prototypes, 2 pre-production prototypes and 16 production examples)

35 Who were the *Thunderbirds*' Tracy brothers named after?

The first five US astronauts (accept Mercury astronauts)

³⁶ In 2010 Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov became Manchester University's latest Nobel Laureates for their work on which revolutionary carbon based material?

Graphene

37 What was the first music video ever shown on MTV?

Video Killed The Radio Star (by Buggles)

38 Which country uses the prefix SU- on its aircraft registrations?

Egypt

³⁹ In the both the James Bond books and films *Q* is the man who provides 007 with his gadgets, but what is Q's real name (the character, not the actor)?

Major (Geoffrey) Boothroyd

40 Born on 28 June 1926 who is Melvin James Kaminsky better known as?

Mel Brooks

Second Verbal Round

41 Which English test cricketer has scored the highest individual score in an innings in English Test match cricket history?

Sir Len Hutton (364 for England v Australia at the Oval in 1938) see note 10

42 Lady Anne Neville was the Queen consort of which English king?

Richard III

43 *Beauty* is a fragrance produced by which perfume house?

Elizabeth Arden see note 6

44 Which acid makes rhubarb leaves poisonous?

Oxalic

45 *Here Come the Warm Jets, Taking Tiger Mountain (By Strategy)* and *Another Green World,* amongst others, are albums by which artist?

Brian Eno (ex-Roxy Music keyboard player)

- 46 The 1955 film *The Cockleshell Heroes* is based upon which WWII British military operation? Operation Frankton
- 47 Eleanor of Provence was the Queen consort of which English King?

Henry III

48 Which English female test cricketer has scored the highest individual score in an innings in English test match history?

Elizabeth Alexandra ('Betty') Snowball see note 10

49 Mrs Anne Weston was a character in which Jane Austen novel?

Emma

- 50 Lick My Decals Off Baby, The Spotlight Kid and Bongo Fury are albums by which artist. Captain Beefheart (and His Magic Band)
- 51 Atropine is derived from which plant?

Belladonna see note 7

52 *Alien* is a perfume produced by which perfume house?

Thierry Mugler

53 The 1956 film *The Man Who Never Was*, is based upon which WWII British military operation?

Operation Mincemeat

54 Lansing is the state capital of which American state?

Michigan

55 What is the oldest indigenous breed of cat in the USA?

Maine coon see note 8

56 The beer brand *Sahti* originally stems from which country?

Finland

57 Dover is the state capital of which American state?

Delaware

58 Joshua Jopp is a character in which Thomas Hardy novel?

The Mayor of Casterbridge

⁵⁹ Between 1912 and 1956, with the exception of 1936, the winner of the Modern Pentathlon title at the summer Olympics came from which country?

Sweden

60 What is the longest type of worm?

Bootlace worm (accept 'ribbon worm')

61 *Electricity* is a song from which stage musical?

Billy Elliot

62 Name Captain Scott's ship on the 1910–1912 Antarctic expedition

Terra Nova

63 Whose autobiography is entitled Lonely At The Top?

Thierry Henry

⁶⁴ With the exception of 1936, Canada won every Olympic ice hockey tournament between 1920 and1952. Which country won in 1936?

Great Britain

65 Who came top of the BBC Sound of 2009 new music list?

Little Boots

66 *This Is the Moment* is a song from which stage musical?

Jekyll & Hyde

67 The beer brand Pilsner Urquell originally stems from which country?

Czech Republic

68 Whose autobiography is entitled *Going to Sea in a Sieve*?

Danny Baker

69 Name Roald Amundsen's ship on the 1910–1912 Antarctic expedition?

Fram

70 On its inception, who came top of the *BBC Sound of 2003* new music list?

50 Cent

Second written round

71 Which African state was founded by freed American slaves?

Liberia

72 For what reason did Kieran Hayler come into the media spotlight in January 2013?

He became the third husband of model Katie Price

73 In the England senior national football team Peter Shilton is the most-capped player. Who is his female equivalent in the English ladies team (as of 13/1/13)?

Rachel Yankey (121 caps)

74 What is the ingredient in Cola said to lower bone density and known as E338?

Phosphoric acid

75 *The Big Lebowski, No Country for Old Men* and the recent re-make of *True Grit* are all works by the Coen Brother, but what are the Coen brothers first names?

Joel and Ethan

⁷⁶ In a standard pack of playing cards which is the only King not sporting a moustache?

King of Hearts

77 Apart from cricket, which other sport did Viv Richards play for Antigua at International level?

Football

78 In the Austin Powers movies what is the name of Dr Evil's cat?

Mr Bigglesworth

79 What does the suffix '-stan' mean when it appears in the name of a nation, such as Turkmenistan?

'Land of see note 9

⁸⁰ During its 30-year career the space shuttle suffer two disasters, Challenger and Columbia. In which years did each take place?

1986 (Challenger) and 2003 (Columbia)

Spares

1 Name the first black person to be awarded an Oscar at the Academy Awards.

Hattie McDaniel (Best Supporting Actress for Gone With The Wind, 1939)

2 Colour By Numbers was an album by which band?

Culture Club

³ What nickname was given to John Sirica, a judge who became known during the Watergate trial for pressing for severe punishment of the guilty parties?

Maximum John

4 What was first predicted around 600 BC by Greek scientist Thales?

An eclipse of the sun

5 German silver is an alloy of copper and which other element

Nickel

Notes and corrections

- 1 In addition to the given answer Thoth was also the god of astronomy, drawing, geometry, magic, mediation between good and evil, medicine, the moon, music, secrets and scribes.
- 2 Manuel II is also commonly referred to by the anglicised version of his name, Emmanuel II.
- ³ In addition to serving as climbing hooks they may be also used as a stabbing/slashing weapon.
- 4 *Motacilla alba* is the white wagtail. The pied wagtail (a sub-species) is *Motacilla alba yarrellii.*
- ⁵ In addition to the given answer Set was also the god of the desert, darkness, earthquakes, eclipses, evil, foreign lands and foreigners.

- 6 'Calvin Klein' is an equally acceptable answer.
- 7 Belladonna's 'other' name, Deadly Nightshade, is an equally acceptable answer. Other perfectly valid answers include 'Devil's Trumpet', 'Jimson Weed', 'Mandrake' and several other plants of the *Solanaceae* family.
- ⁸ 'American longhair' is an equally acceptable answer. According to most reputable sources the Maine Coon is <u>one of</u> the oldest indigenous breeds.
- 9 'Country' or 'place of' are equally acceptable answers.
- 10 Question setters are reminded that pairs should be of equal difficulty.

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