

LEAGUE MATCHES 8 NOVEMBER 2012

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First Verbal Round

- 1 In the first edition, what was the title of Volume 2 of Churchill's history of the second world war?

Their Finest Hour

- 2 Give a year in the reign of the Russian Czar Peter the Great

1682-1725

- 3 What is the next bridge upstream from Lambeth Bridge on the Thames?

Vauxhall Bridge

- 4 In which 20th century novel does the downtrodden clerk Leonard Bast appear?

Howard's End

- 5 *Gowk* is an archaic (though sometimes still used in Scotland) name for which bird?

Cuckoo

- 6 What was the subject matter of the legal case *Brown v Kansas*, decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1954?

Segregated schools

- 7 Which MP introduced the Private Member's Bill that led to the abolition of capital punishment for murder in the UK in 1965?

Sydney Silverman

- 8 Which writer had a cat called Hodge?

Samuel Johnson

- 9 What is the main court at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris?

Court Phillipe Chatrier

- 10 In which film does Dustin Hoffman play the character Benjamin Braddock?

The Graduate

- 11 In which book of the Bible does the parable of the prodigal son appear?

Luke (15: 11-32)

- 12 Which army rank is signified by a single crown?

Major

- 13 In heraldry what creature is a *talbot*?

A dog

- 14 What colour are National Lottery balls 20-29?

Pink

- 15 In the 2012 F1 series, which sponsors name appeared on the rear wing of the Ferrari cars?

Santander

- 16 In the first edition, what was the title of volume 3 of Churchill's history of the second world war?

The Grand Alliance

- 17 Give a year in the life of Russian Czar Ivan the Terrible.

1533-1584 [see note 1](#)

- 18 What is the next bridge downstream from Lambeth Bridge on the Thames?

Westminster Bridge

- 19 In which 20th century novel does the newspaper proprietor Lord Copper appear?

Scoop

- 20 *Emmet* is an archaic (though sometimes still used in Cornwall) word for which creature?

Ant

- 21 What was the subject matter of the case Roe v Wade decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1973?

Abortion

- 22 Who introduced the U K Private Member's Bill which led to the Abortion Act of 1967?

David Steel

- 23 Which musician had a cat called Elvis?

John Lennon [see pedantic note 2](#)

- 24 What is the name of the number 2 court at the Roland Garros Stadium in Paris?

Court Suzanne Lenglen

- 25 In which film did Dustin Hoffman play the character Michael Dorsey?

Tootsie

- 26 In which book of the Bible is the parable of the sheep and the goats told?

Matthew (25: 31-46)

- 27 Which British army rank is signified by three crowns?

Captain [see note 3](#)

- 28 In heraldry what shape is a *mullet*?

A star (5-pointed)

- 29 What colour are National Lottery balls 30-39

Green

- 30 In the 2012 F1 series, which sponsor's name appears on the rear wing of the McLaren cars?

Vodafone

First written round THERE IS A THEME (which may have some poetic licence with spelling)

- 31 What name is given to rectangular stone blocks, cut and dressed to a smooth finish and used in building?

Ashlar

- 32 Conservative Gerald Howarth is currently MP for which town 37 miles SW of London?

Aldershot

- 33 *Dulce Domum* is the title of the fifth chapter of which book?

Wind in the Willows

- 34 In the Greyfriars school stories, which member of the famous five is 'noisy and exuberant and has the biggest feet in the remove'?

Bob Cherry

- 35 In Hardy's *Far From the Madding Crowd* who is the second husband of Bathsheba?

Gabriel Oak

- 36 Which Tory politician was nicknamed *Vulcan* because of his ears?

John Redwood

- 37 On which thoroughfare is TV's *Desperate Housewives* set?

Wisteria Lane

- 38 Which 1899 composition was Scott Joplin's first major success?

Maple Leaf Rag

- 39 Which woman found lasting fame for her exploits on the night of 7 September 1838?

Grace Darling

- 40 With which song did Sonny and Cher have a number 1 UK hit single in 1965?

I Got You Babe

Theme (although not specified on submitted questions) appears to be trees (strictly speaking Wisteria is a climbing vine, not a tree)

Second Verbal Round

- 41 Over what distance is the English Derby at Ascot run? **see note 4**

One and a half miles (or 1m 4f, or 12 furlongs)

- 42 Spell the five-letter word that appears on the stamps of Norway, being that country's name in Norwegian.

Norge

- 43 Which conference held in New Hampshire, USA. In 1944 led to the setting up of the International Monetary Fund?

Bretton Woods

44 Which Greek hero was the son of the mortal king Peleus and the sea nymph Thetis?

Achilles

45 On film, what was the name of Tom Mix's horse?

Tony

46 What was the name of the Hospital in the original *Carry On Doctor* film?

St. Swithin's [see note 5](#)

47 Which cartoon cat had the catchphrase '*Heavens to Murgatroyd*'?

Snagglepuss

48 Who wrote the libretto for the Lloyd Webber musical *Starlight Express*?

Richard Stillgoe

49 In the series *Blackadder the Third* Stephen Fry made one appearance as which historical figure?

The Duke of Wellington

50 Which English PM is associated with Houghton Hall, Norfolk?

Robert Walpole

51 *Ruddles County* beer is brewed by which brewery?

Greene King

52 Who had a 2012 number one UK single hit with *Domino*?

Jessie J

53 What is the second-longest river in South America?

The Paraná

54 Which singer prominent from the 1950s and still active was born James Marcus Smith in 1938?

P. J. Proby [see note 6](#)

55 Which of the Mister Men appears in France as *Monsieur Maladroit*?

Mr. Clumsy

56 Over what distance is the English 1000 Guineas run at Newmarket?

1 Mile (or 8 furlongs)

57 Spell the five-letter word that appears on the stamps of Finland, being that country's name in Finnish.

Suomi

58 Which conference held in Washington State USA in 1944 led to the setting up of the United Nations?

Dumbarton Oaks [see note 7](#)

- 59 Which Greek hero was son of King Telamon and Periboea?
Ajax
- 60 On TV what was the name of the *Cisco Kid's* horse?
Scout [see note 8](#)
- 61 What was the name of the Hospital in the TV drama *Angels*?
St. Angela's
- 62 Which cartoon cat had the catchphrase '*I hate those meeces to pieces*'?
Mr Jinks
- 63 Who wrote the libretto for the Lloyd Webber musical *The Beautiful Game*?
Ben Elton
- 64 In the TV series *Blackadder the Third* Robbie Coltrane made one appearance as which historical figure?
Doctor Johnson
- 65 Which English PM is associated with Hughenden Manor, Buckinghamshire?
Disraeli
- 66 *Beacon* and *Sunchaser* are beers from which brewery?
Everards
- 67 Who had a 2012 number one UK single hit with *Part of Me*?
Katy Perry
- 68 What is the third-longest river in Africa?
The Niger
- 69 Which singer, prominent in the 1950s and '60s, was born Reginald Leonard Smith in 1939?
Marty Wilde
- 70 Which of the Mr Men appears in French as *Monsieur Malchance*?
Mr Bump

Second written round

- 71 Which Indian city is known as 'The Pink City'?
Jaipur
- 72 What is the largest landlocked English county?
Shropshire [see note 9](#)
- 73 What property of a number is obtained by dividing it into one?
The reciprocal
- 74 What fruit was the original flavouring of Grenadine?
Pomegranate

75 Haydn's symphony No.104 and Vaughn Williams's symphony No.4 share the name of which capital city?

London [see note 10](#)

76 What two words connect 'one who incites another to an illegal act' and a lingerie retailer?

Agent Provocateur

77 The most expensive stamp ever sold at auction is the Treskilling Yellow, a stamp from which country?

Sweden

78 Taken from the Dolphins' message left when they leave Earth, what is the title of the fourth volume in *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* called?

So Long, and Thanks for All The Fish

79 Which medical term comes from the Latin for 'I will please'?

Placebo

80 Which character in *The Tempest* speaks the words that Aldous Huxley used as a title for a 1932 novel?

Miranda (*Brave New World*)

Spare

1 The SI unit of energy is named after James Joule. In which city was he born?

Salford

2 What element is the basis for the pigment 'Egyptian Blue', considered the first synthetic pigment?

Copper

3 Roddy Frame was lead singer with which Scottish band?

Aztec Camera

Notes and corrections

- 1 Ivan the Terrible lived from 1530 to 1584.
- 2 Elvis actually belonged to Lennon's mother.
- 3 There is no rank in the British army that uses three crowns as its insignia. The insignia of a captain is [three Bath stars](#) (commonly known as 'pips').
- 4 The English Derby is run at Epsom, not Ascot.
- 5 *Carry On Doctor* was set in Borough County Hospital. St Swithin's Hospital was the setting for *Doctor in the House* (and sequels).
- 6 Proby was 'prominent' from the 1960s, rather than the 1950s.
- 7 The estate of Dumbarton Oaks is in Washington DC, not Washington State.

- 8 The Cisco Kid's horse was called Diablo. Scout was Tonto's horse in *The Lone Ranger*.
- 9 Shropshire and Wiltshire are both landlocked and are almost identical in size, so either would seem to be an acceptable answer.
- 10 The title *London* is given to Vaughn Williams's symphony number 2, not 4.

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