

LEAGUE MATCHES
THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2014
QUESTIONS BY THE BULLS HEAD see note 1

First Verbal Round

1. What surname is shared by the following three people: a tennis player who has won six Grand Slam singles tournaments, a founding member of Steely Dan and a sitcom character played by Ted Danson?
Becker (Boris, Walter and John)
2. *We Dare Defend Our Rights* is the official motto of which US state?
Alabama see note 2
3. *Numb*, *Sour Times* and *Glory Box* were the three UK singles released from which Mercury Music Prize-winning album, released in 1994? (Title and artist required)
Dummy by **Portishead**
4. In which city is the USS Pueblo (launched in 1944) on permanent display as a museum ship?
Pyongyang
5. Which poisonous plant, with hallucinogenic properties, has the Latin name *Hyoscyamus niger*?
Henbane (accept 'black henbane' or 'stinking nightshade')
6. Who served as the Labour MP for Buckingham from 1964 to 1970?
Robert Maxwell
7. "If I knew for a certainty that a man was coming to my house with the conscious design of doing me good, I should run for my life" is a quote from an 1854 work by which philosopher?
Henry David Thoreau (the quote is from *Walden*)
8. Who won eighteen Olympic medals (nine gold, five silver and four bronze) competing for the Soviet Union between 1956 and 1964?
Larisa Latynina
9. Name both of the forts built between 1539 and 1545 to defend the entrance to Falmouth harbour.
Pendennis Castle and St Mawes Castle
10. Professor Welch, Margaret Peel and Christine Callaghan are all characters from which novel, first published in 1954?
Lucky Jim (by Kingsley Amis)
11. Battambang is the second-largest city (by population) in which Asian country?
Cambodia
12. Earl Squander and Silvertongue the Lawyer are two of the characters from which series of six satirical paintings by William Hogarth?
Marriage à-la-Mode see note 3
13. Which US actress and model made her big-screen breakthrough playing the character Mikaela Banes in the 2007 film *Transformers*?
Megan Fox
14. Which composer's works include the *Holberg Suite* and *Haugtussa*?
Edvard Grieg

15. There are six types of quark, divided into three pairs based on mass. 'Up' & 'Down' and 'Top' & 'Bottom' are two of the pairs. Name either of the third pair.

Strange or Charm

16. Which physicist's uncertainty principle states that the speed and position of a particle cannot both be calculated exactly at any given instant?

Werner Heisenberg

17. Which composer's works include *Verklärte Nacht* and *Pelleas und Melisande*?

Arnold Schoenberg

18. Who, in 2011, joined the cast of the CBS sitcom *Two And A Half Men* (after Charlie Sheen's character was killed off) and is now reputedly the highest paid actor on US television?

Ashton Kutcher

19. Ozymandias, Doctor Manhattan, Silk Spectre and Rorschach are all characters from which acclaimed graphic novel?

Watchmen

20. Kumasi is the second-largest city (by population) in which African country?

Ghana

21. Geoffrey Braithwaite, a retired doctor, is the narrator of which Booker Prize-winning novel, first published in 1984?

Flaubert's Parrot (by Julian Barnes) [see note 4](#)

22. Which two canals are linked by the Falkirk Wheel?

The Forth & Clyde Canal and the Union Canal

23. Name either of the teams for which Lance Armstrong rode when he 'won' the Tour de France seven times in succession between 1999 and 2005.

US Postal or Discovery Channel [see note 5](#)

24. Which philosopher published his most famous work in 1843 using the pseudonym Johannes de silentio?

Soren Kierkegaard (the book was *Fear And Trembling*)

25. Who served as the Liberal MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed from 1944 to 1945?

William Beveridge

26. Which tree has the Latin name *Taxus baccata*?

The yew

27. Gary Powers' ill-fated U-2 mission that saw his plane shot down over Soviet airspace in May 1960, took off from an airfield in which country?

Pakistan

28. Which influential UK number one single from 1987 was a one-off collaboration between the bands Colourbox and AR Kane? (Title and artist required)

Pump Up The Volume by M|A|R|R|S

29. *Live Free Or Die* is the official motto of which US state?

New Hampshire

30. What is the first name of the actor who played Mr Roarke in the original version of the TV series *Fantasy Island* and also the surname of the economist who proposed the labour theory of value?

Ricardo (Ricardo Montalbán and David Ricardo)

First Written Round – THERE IS A THEME

31. What is the county town of North Yorkshire?

Northallerton

32. Which former Premier League footballer, whose career in England included spells with Sheffield Wednesday, Chelsea, Bradford City and Southampton, is (as at 22 January 2014) the current manager of Dynamo Moscow football club?

Dan Petrescu

33. *'Bless all the dear children In Thy tender care, And take us to heaven to live with Thee there'* is the sixth and final verse of which Christmas carol?

Away In A Manger

34. *The Last Revelation*, *The Angel Of Darkness*, *Legend* and *Underworld* are the names of four versions of which computer game franchise?

Tomb Raider

35. Which aircraft manufacturer, founded in 1915 and most famous for its naval aircraft such as the Swordfish and Gannet, built its Hendon bomber at a factory in Heaton Chapel in the 1930s?

Fairey

36. Which band released the album *Midnight Memories* in 2013?

One Direction

37. What is the name of the pioneer wagon trail that became trapped by snow in the Sierra Nevada mountains in 1846, with some of the settlers resorting to cannibalism in an attempt to survive?

The Donner Party (sometimes called the Donner-Reed Party)

38. Which TV presenter's naked image was projected onto the Houses of Parliament in 1999 as a publicity stunt for *FHM* magazine?

Gail Porter

39. December the 2nd is the annual *United Nations International Day For The Abolition Of...*what?

Slavery

40. With a personal best of 10.64 seconds set in Shanghai in 2009, who, as at 22 January 2014, is the fastest female 100m runner alive (the world record still being held by Florence Griffiths-Joyner)?

Carmelita Jeter

Theme is all answers contain a French verb:

(aller, etre, manger, aider, faire, dire, donner, porter, laver and jeter)

Second Verbal Round

41. In Islamic architecture, what name is given to the semi-circular niche in the wall of a mosque that indicates the direction of Mecca?

A mihrab

42. Name the year: Russell Crowe, Michelle Obama, John Parrott and Courtney Love were all born. Ian Fleming, Nancy Astor, Brendan Behan and Sam Cooke all died.

1964

43. In science, which number is defined as the number of constituent particles in one mole of a given

substance?

Avogadro's Constant (or Avogadro's Number)

44. In recent TV adverts for the National Accident Helpline, which comedian provides the voice of Underdog?

Joe Pasquale

45. Opened in 1966 and demolished in 2004, the Tricorn Centre, a shopping complex and car park regarded as a prime example of Brutalist architecture (and also voted one of the UK's ugliest and most hated buildings), was in which city?

Portsmouth

46. Which poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins is dedicated *'To the happy memory of five Franciscan nuns, exiles by the Falk Laws, drowned between midnight and morning of Dec 7th, 1875'*?

The Wreck of the Deutschland

47. Which international fashion chain, originally inspired by Han era Chinese clothing, was founded in Hong Kong in 1994 and now has over 30 stores worldwide, including one on Sloane Street in London?

Shanghai Tang

48. At which battle in 1187 did a Muslim army commanded by Saladin inflict a decisive defeat on a Crusader army led by Guy of Lusignan, King Of Jerusalem?

The Horns of Hattin (or the Battle of Hattin)

49. How is the medical condition medial tibial stress syndrome more commonly known?

Shin splints

50. Used in calculations of compound interest, economic growth and radioactive decay (amongst numerous other applications), what is Euler's Number, calculated to one decimal place?

2.7

51. Why were John Nimmo and Isabella Sorley in the news recently?

The 'trolls' who pleaded guilty to sending threatening Twitter messages (to Caroline Criado-Perez)

52. At 2,671 miles long this Eastern Siberian river for some of its length forms the border between Russia and Mongolian China. Flowing through the city of Khabarovsk it reaches the ocean at the Sea of Okhotsk. What is its name?

Amur (also accept 'Heilong jiang' or 'Kharamuran')

53. Which grilled sandwich is made from corned beef, Swiss cheese, sauerkraut and Russian dressing on rye bread?

Reuben

54. Which breed of dog is also known as 'the Russian wolfhound'?

Borzoi

55. This Welsh mining disaster took place on 22 September 1934 and 266 miners lost their lives. At which colliery near Wrexham did it occur?

Gresford

56. On January 15th 1919, 21 people were killed in Boston, Massachusetts, when a storage tank containing approximately 2.3 million US gallons of which substance exploded?

Molasses/treacle

57. Barack Obama's family has two pet dogs, Bo and Sunny. What breed are they?

Portuguese Water Dogs

58. Which dish, popular in South Africa, consists of a hollowed-out loaf of bread, filled with curry?

Bunny Chow (accept 'kota, an alternative term used in some parts)

59. Providing much of Lancashire's water supply through Stocks Reservoir, which river rises on White Hill in the Forest of Bowland and joins the Ribble near Great Mitten?

The Hodder

60. What is the surname of the two sisters who, in December 2013, were cleared of defrauding Nigella Lawson?

Grillo (Elisabetta and Francesca)

61. What sequence of five numbers makes up the fifth row of Pascal's Triangle?

1, 4, 6, 4, 1

62. What is the medical term for the stirrup-shaped bone in the middle ear that is the smallest bone in the human body?

Stapes

63. Name either of the monarchs whose armies contested the Battle of Poltava in 1709.

Peter I of Russia (Peter the Great) or Charles XII of Sweden

64. André Benjamin launched his own Benjamin Bixby clothing line in 2008. With which Grammy award-winning hip-hop act did he become famous?

OutKast

65. Which poet, whose works include *The Red Wheelbarrow* and *This Is Just To Say* also wrote a prose study of US history entitled *In The American Grain*?

William Carlos Williams

66. The Baluarte Bridge, the highest cable-stayed bridge in the world, is in which country?

Mexico

67. Frank Skinner recently claimed that he turned down the opportunity to provide the voice-over for which TV programme, as he did not want to participate in something that might be derogatory about Birmingham?

Benefits Street

68. What term, derived from the Latin for 'whiteness', measures the reflective property of a non-luminous object, between 0 and 1 (e.g. a mirror would be 1, a black hole would be 0, whilst the earth is approximately 0.3)?

Albedo

69. Name the year: Sir Chris Hoy, Emma Bunton, Colin Farrell and Anna Friel were all born. L.S. Lowry, Mao-Tse-Tung, Alastair Sim and Agatha Christie all died.

1976

70. In Zen Buddhism, what Japanese word describes the experience of awakening or sudden enlightenment?

Satori (also accept 'kensho')

Second Written Round

71. In the 1989 film *Bill And Ted's Excellent Adventure*, Bill and Ted travel through time to collect eight famous people to help them pass their high school history project. Name any three of them.

Any three from: **Napoleon Bonaparte, Billy the Kid, Socrates, Sigmund Freud, Genghis Khan, Joan of Arc, Abraham Lincoln and Beethoven**

72. According to Japanese folklore, the kappa (a river monster) has two favourite foods. One is human children, what is the other?

Cucumbers

73. Which is the innermost moon of the planet Uranus?

Cordelia

74. Which trick-taking card game, requiring exactly three players and using a deck of 32 cards, is particularly popular in Germany?

Skat

75. Which British boxer fought Joe Louis for the world heavyweight title in a contest proclaimed 1937's 'Fight of The Year' by *The Ring* magazine?

Tommy Farr

76. What is the name of the business practice, illegal in Britain under the Consumer Protection (Distance Selling) Regulations (2000), whereby unsolicited goods are sent to a household which is subsequently billed for the price of the goods if it fails to return them?

Inertia selling

77. In September 2013, Tesco launched its own low-priced 7" tablet computer. What is it called?

Hudl

78. Which famous jazz musician was born on 29 August 1920 in Kansas City?

Charlie Parker

79. Originally signed in April 1947, GATT lasted until 1994, when it was replaced by the WTO. What does the acronym GATT stand for?

General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

80. Caetano Veloso, Gilberto Gil, Gal Costa, Tom Ze and Os Mutantes were all leading musicians in which Brazilian artistic movement from the late 1960s?

Tropicália (also accept 'Tropicalismo')

Spares

1. In which Charles Dickens novel does the character Jerry Cruncher appear?

A Tale of Two Cities

2. *The Duellists*, a 1977 film starring Keith Carradine and Harvey Keitel as feuding French officers during the Napoleonic Wars, was which director's first feature film?

Ridley Scott

3. Which opera singer's image is shown on the current Swedish 50 kronor banknote?

Jenny Lind

4. Who released the live double-album *It's Too Late To Stop Now* in 1974?

Van Morrison

5. What is the name of the small headless nail used by cobblers for fixing the soles and heels of shoes?

A sparable

Notes and corrections

1. Feedback from teams and match scores suggest that these questions were too hard. Question setters are reminded that the question setting guidelines state:
'Don't make the questions too hard. This is the Stockport Quiz League, not University Challenge, and is meant to be a fun night out! As a general rule of thumb all teams should be able to answer at least half the questions correctly, so aggregate scores should not be lower than 80.'
2. The question refers to the English translation of Alabama's motto. The 'official' motto is in Latin:
Audemus jura nostra defendere.
3. Many sources refer to the character as Earl Squander**field**.
4. *Flaubert's Parrot* did **not** win the Booker Prize.
5. US Postal and Discovery were essentially the same team. The name was changed in 2004 as part of a sponsorship deal by the Discovery Channel.

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