

**KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES
THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2014
QUESTIONS BY HMRUFC**

First Verbal Round

1. Manchester City's Pablo Zabaleta was signed from which Spanish club?
Espanyol
2. Who wrote the screenplay for *The Handmaid's Tale*?
Harold Pinter
3. Who wrote the novel *An Ice-Cream War*?
William Boyd
4. Actress Rachael Stirling is the daughter of which actress?
Diana Rigg
5. What is the capital of the Pitcairn Islands?
Adamstown
6. Clotho and Atropos belong to which group of Greek divinities?
The Fates see note 1
7. Who is currently playing King Lear at the National Theatre?
Simon Russell Beale
8. How do you write 1419 in Roman numerals?
MCDXIX
9. What name did Dickens give the character John Dawkins?
The Artful Dodger
10. What was the name of the controversial refugee camp which opened in 1999 near Calais?
Sangatte
11. Which country won the 2013 Eurovision Song Contest?
Denmark
12. Who, as of 12 February 2014, is the world chess champion?
Magnus Carlsen
13. Who did Twiggy Garcia try to arrest for war crimes?
Tony Blair
14. Francis Bacon's portrait of which fellow artist sold for £90 million recently?
Lucien Freud
15. King Harold I was the son of which king?
Canute (Knut)
16. Why was Michael Ibsen in the news last year?
Last known male relative of Richard III whose DNA was used to prove the identity of the remains
17. The only Briton to have won two Nobel prizes died last year. What was his name?

Frederick Sanger (Chemistry Laureate in 1958 and 1980)

18. What name connects biscuits, whisky and a royal house?

Bourbon

19. Which recent book by Stephen King is a long-awaited sequel to his 1977 novel *The Shining*?

Doctor Sleep

20. What was the name of Rocky Balboa's opponent in the first two *Rocky* films?

Apollo Creed

21. With more than 130 million inhabitants, what is the world's most populous island?

Java

22. Which band's previous names included Sigma 6, The Meggadeaths, The Screaming Abdabs and The Tea Set?

Pink Floyd

23. In which year did Alex Ferguson become manager of Manchester United?

1986

24. Which horse won last year's Grand National?

Auroras Encore

25. Of the fourteen British overseas territories, only one does not have an official flag that is not either the Union Jack or has the Union Jack as part of its official flag. Which one?

Gibraltar

26. Which British Prime Minister said "Damn your principles! Stick to your party"?

Benjamin Disraeli

27. In computing what does the acronym LAN stand for?

Local Area Network

28. Which town links a poem by John Betjeman and the TV comedy *The Office*?

Slough

29. Who composed the music for the opera *Boris Godunov*?

Mussorgsky

30. Which creatures were created in children's books and TV by Tove Jansson?

The Moomins

First Written Round - THERE IS A THEME

31. This cricketer captained Sussex and was President of both Sussex and the MCC. For many years he was the outspoken and controversial cricket correspondent of the *Sunday Times*. Who was he?

Robin Marlar

32. In October last year Robbie Williams' clothing label went bust. What was its name?

Farrell

33. A building designed by Barry Gasson and Brit Andresen was in 2005 named as Scotland's second-greatest post-war building. It was opened by the Queen in 1983 and houses which art collection?

Burrell Collection

34. Its Latin name is *Columba palumbus* and it is a bird commonly found all year round in this country. What

is its common name?

Wood Pigeon

35. This Ivy League university was founded in 1764 and was the first of the Ivy League universities to admit students of all religious affiliations. What is its name?

Brown

36. This American singer died in 1965 aged 45. He had fourteen top 10 hits in the UK between 1952 and 1962 and also had film roles in *Cat Ballou*, *The Blue Gardenia* and *St. Louis Blues*. Who was he?

Nat King Cole

37. Who wrote the novel on which the film *The Go-Between* was based?

L. P. Hartley

38. These are the last two lines of the last verse of which Christmas Carol?

'That hath made heaven and earth of nought,

And with his blood mankind hath bought'.

The First Noel (or Nowell)

39. Which Liberal Democrat politician is, as of 12 February 2014, Minister of State for Schools?

David Laws

40. How do we know the Gaelic festival of Beltane?

May Day

Theme is the England Rugby starting XV for the first two games of the 2014 Six Nations:

Joe Marler, Owen Farrell, Luther Burrell, Tom Wood, Mike Brown, Dan Cole, Dylan Hartley, Jack Nowell, Courtney Lawes and Jonny May.

Second Verbal Round

41. In the James Bond film *For Your Eyes Only*, who played the Prime Minister?

Janet Brown (as Maggie Thatcher)

42. What was the Latin single-word telegram supposedly sent by Sir Charles Napier to his superiors after his conquest of Sindh province in India?

Peccavi ('I have sinned', a pun on 'I have Sindh')

43. What is the last stone in an end of curling called?

The Hammer

44. In 2004 Sir Mark Thatcher was accused of plotting to overthrow which African country?

Equatorial Guinea

45. Who was the German Foreign Minister during World War II?

Joachim von Ribbentrop

46. In which modern-day country is the city of Harappa, discovered in 1922 and believed to have been built around 2000 BC?

Pakistan

47. In the film *Mandela: The Long Walk to Freedom*, who plays Mandela's wife, Winnie?

Naomie Harris

48. Who starred as the killer Vincent in the 2004 thriller *Collateral*?

Tom Cruise

49. In February 2012 three women called Nadya, Maria and Kat were in trouble with the authorities under which group name?

Pussy Riot

50. Kim Sears is the long-standing love interest of which famous sportsman?

Andy Murray

51. France's unofficial 'First Lady', Valerie Trierweiler, has been rejected by Francois Hollande in favour of which film star?

Julie Gayet

52. What was the previous name of the SWALEC Stadium, the home of Glamorgan County Cricket Club?

Sophia Gardens

53. Who were the first group to be installed into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1987, their biggest hit being *Yakety Yak*?

The Coasters

54. Who, on this day in 1962, became the first US spaceman to orbit the earth?

John Glenn

55. Who was the first African-American to win an Oscar?

Hattie McDaniel

56. In the recent Ashes series in Australia, who was the only England cricketer to do the whole the tour without playing a test match?

Steven Finn

57. On board which battleship in Tokyo Bay did Japanese officials sign an unconditional surrender on 2 September 1945?

USS Missouri

58. In which Greater Manchester town was the latest section of the Metrolink opened on 27 January 2014?

Oldham

59. Illyria is the setting of which Shakespeare play?

Twelfth Night

60. In which year did all Swiss women get the right to vote?

1990

61. Who was the only British Prime Minister born outside the British Isles?

Andrew Bonar Law (born in New Brunswick, Canada)

62. Who was the only English Pope? (accept papal name and number or real name)

Adrian IV or Nicholas Breakspear

63. Which Andrew Lloyd Webber musical, based on the life of an infamous 1960s figure, opened on 19 December 2013 at the Aldwych Theatre?

Stephen Ward

64. Lady Margaret Beaufort, Countess of Richmond and Derby, was the influential mother of which English King?

Henry VII

65. What was the name of the ship in which John Cabot sailed from Bristol to North America in 1497?

The Matthew

66. Which food translates into English as 'Herdsman's meat'?

Goulash

67. Who was Peter Sellers' first wife?

Anne Howe

68. Who was Archbishop of Canterbury from 1503 to 1532?

William Warham

69. Which band leader discovered both Vera Lynn and Kathy Kirby?

(Bert) Ambrose

70. Which brewery claims to be the oldest continually brewing in the UK?

Shepherd Neame

Second Written Round

71. Which bird did Wordsworth describes as '*Ethereal minstrel! Pilgrim of the sky!*'?

Skylark

72. How many countries in Europe have monarchs? (i.e. having a king or queen, not principalities, duchies, theocracies etc)

Seven (Belgium, Denmark, Holland, Norway, Spain, Sweden, UK)

73. Which actress connects the TV series *New Tricks*, *When the Boat Comes In* and *Take Three Girls*?

Susan Jameson

74. Which Essex town, having fought unsuccessfully against the opening of its first pub in 2000, is now opposing the opening of an Aldi supermarket as it would prefer a branch of Waitrose instead?

Frinton on Sea

75. Which company was recently found ultimately responsible for the death of Sean Cunningham?

Martin-Baker (makers of the faulty ejector seat in which the Red Arrows pilot was killed)

76. Composed by Henry Mancini with lyrics by Johnny Mercer, this song received an Oscar for Best Original Song in the movie *Breakfast at Tiffany's*. What was the name of the song?

Moon River

77. In physics whose law states that force needed to extend or compress a spring by some distance is proportional to that distance?

Hooke's law

78. ALL FM is a community radio station serving Central, South and East Manchester. What do the letters A, L and L stand for?

Ardwick, Longsight, Levenshulme

79. Name the year: the Monmouth Rebellion and Bloody Assize take place; J. S. Bach and G .F. Handel are born.

1685

80. *The Almagest*, a treatise on the apparent motion of stars and planets, was written in the second century AD by which Greco-Roman mathematician, astronomer and geographer?

Claudius Ptolemy

Spares

1. Jamie Oliver has produced four *Naked Chef* books. Two are *The Naked Chef* and *The Return of the Naked Chef*. Name either of the other two.

Happy Days With The Naked Chef or *The Naked Chef Takes Off*. [see note 2](#)

2. Who had major album success in 1976 with *Silk Degrees*?

Boz Scaggs

3. Who hosts the TV show *River Monsters*?

Jeremy Wade

4. Name the author of *Tipping the Velvet*, *Fingersmith* and *The Little Stranger*, among other works.

Sarah Waters

5. The actor Wanda Ventham is the mother of which TV and film actor?

Benedict Cumberbatch

Notes and corrections

1. 'The Moirai' is an equally acceptable answer.
2. *The Naked Chef Takes Off* and *The Return of the Naked Chef* are the same book published under different titles; the former in the USA, the latter in the rest of the world.

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