

LEAGUE MATCHES
THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2013
QUESTIONS BY LITTLE JACK HORNER [see note 13](#)

First Verbal Round

1. In Paris on which island in the Seine is the Notre Dame cathedral situated?
Île de la Cité
2. In the 2012 Olympics, who was the only member of Team GB to win two medals on the same day?
Andy Murray
3. What shape is each face of a regular dodecahedron?
A regular pentagon
4. The name of which cloud type translates as 'curl of hair'?
Cirrus
5. Other than an inhabitant of Leonberg, what is a 'Leonberger'?
A breed of giant dog
6. Which musical features the characters Nellie Forbush and Anton LeBeque?
South Pacific [see note 1](#)
7. Which country used to have the colónes as its national currency, but now uses the US Dollar?
El Salvador [see note 2](#)
8. Which British monarch reigned from 1461-1483?
Edward IV
9. Which organisation will sponsor next year's Epsom Derby horse race?
Investec
10. What is the age limit for the Turner Prize?
The artist will be under 50
11. Which poet wrote *To His Coy Mistress* which starts: '*Had we but world enough, and time, This coyness, lady, were no crime*'?
Andrew Marvell
12. A tangelo is the result of crossing a tangerine with which other citrus fruit?
Grapefruit [see note 3](#)
13. Who wrote the novel *The Talented Mr Ripley*?
Patricia Highsmith
14. As of 31 October 2013, who is the Shadow Minister for Works and Pensions?
Rachel Reeves
15. The chemical symbols for which two consecutive Lanthanides (or rare earth metals) spell a four-letter word meaning a fine open fabric of cotton or silk?
Lanthanum (La) and Cerium (Ce)
16. The second-highest mountain in South Africa at 3001 m shares its name with the second-highest in Scotland at 1309 m. What are they called?

Ben Macdhui [see note 4](#)

17. Gentle breeze has a Beaufort scale number of what?

Three

18. Which Italian soccer team recently set a new record of ten straight wins for a start to the Serie A season?

Roma

19. What is meant by the literary term *analepsis*?

Flashback

20. Who are the two main presenters of the BBC 1 TV programme *Homes Under the Hammer*?

Martin Roberts and Lucy Alexander

21. Give the next seven words in the nursery rhyme that begins '*Little Tommy Tittlemouse lived in a little house*'?

He caught fishes in other men's ditches

22. Who composed *The Banks of Green Willow*?

George Butterworth

23. What is the second-largest island in the Orkneys?

Hoy

24. Which monarch's favourites were Robert Carr and George Villiers?

James I (James VI of Scotland)

25. Which wild plant has species, among others, called burnet, apple-scented, field and downy?

Wild Rose

26. Ireland is currently divided into four provinces. However, the Irish word for this territorial division, *cúige*, literally meaning 'fifth part', indicates that there were once five provinces or kingdoms. What was the name given to the now defunct fifth province?

Meath

27. Which surname links the following: Arthur John (1851-1941), Archaeologist and Geraint Llewellyn (1922-92), principal baritone with the Royal Opera House?

Evans

28. Name the Italian island near which a refugee boat sank in October 2013?

Lampedusa

29. 'Citric acid is OK so find more oranges' is a mnemonic for what?

Krebs cycle [see note 5](#)

30. What is the name of Neptune's largest moon?

Triton

First Written Round

31. What nationality was psychiatrist Hermann Rorschach, creator of the ink blot tests that bear his name?

Swiss

32. In what year was the first flight of the Airbus A380?

2005

33. The UK government body responsible for road safety is often abbreviated to VOSA; what do the initials stand for?

Vehicle and Operator Services Agency

34. At which racing circuit did Niki Lauda suffer severe burns to his head in 1976, after only the week before trying to orchestrate a boycott largely due to safety arrangements?

Nürburgring

35. Blue Tit, Czar, Denniston's Superb and Early Laxton are type of what?

Plum

36. In which year did film star Jayne Mansfield meet her death due to a car accident?

1967

37. Where in England would you find The Nine Maidens of Boskednan?

Cornwall

38. What was the purpose of NASA's LCROSS mission in 2009?

To determine if there was water on the moon

39. What name is given to the circular collapsible tent of felt or skins used by Mongolian nomads?

Yurt

40. How is Trinidad born R&B singer Leslie Sebastian Charles better known?

Billy Ocean

Second Verbal Round

41. What is the name of Uranus's largest moon?

Titania

42. '*On old Olympus towering tops a Finn and German viewed a hop*' is a mnemonic for what?

The cranial nerves

43. Name the cyclone which hit the east coast of India on October 13, 2013?

Phailin

44. Which surname links the following: John Couch (1819-92), English mathematician and astronomer, and William (1564-1620) a navigator and the first Englishman to visit Japan?

Adams

45. The former Irish province of Meath, was mostly incorporated into which current-day province?

Leinster

46. Which wild plant has species, among others, called woolly, cotton, creeping, marsh and meadow?

Thistle

47. Which English monarch's favourites were Piers Gaveston and Hugh Despenser?

Edward II

48. What is the second-largest island in the Shetlands?

Yell

49. Who composed *Fanfare for the Common Man*?

Aaron Copland

50. Give the next five words in the nursery rhyme: '*The man in the moon came down too soon and asked his way to Norwich*'.

He went by the south

51. Anne Robinson is one of the main presenters of the BBC 1 TV programme *Watchdog*. Who are the other two main presenters?

Chris Hollins and Matt Allwright

52. What are *incunabula*?

Books printed before 1500 AD [see pedantic note 6](#)

53. FC Shakhter Karagandy are presently competing in the UEFA Europa League; which domestic league do they represent?

Kazakhstan Premier League

54. What is the minimum wind speed in miles per hour necessary to meet the classification of 'hurricane' on the Beaufort scale?

73 mph [see note 7](#)

55. What is the highest mountain on the Isle of Skye at 992m?

Sgùrr Alasdair

56. Which chemical element takes its name from the Greek words for 'not alone'?

Antimony [see note 8](#)

57. As of 31 October 2013, who is the Shadow Minister for Defence?

Vernon Coaker

58. The homicide detective Jane Rizzoli appears in whose novels?

Tess Gerritsen

59. Which fruit, a cross between a blackberry, a raspberry and a loganberry was named in the 1930s after the American horticulturist who developed it?

Boysenberry

60. Which poet wrote *The Dream*, which starts: '*Dear love for nothing less than thee, Would I have broke this happy dream*'?

John Donne

61. The Fields Medal, which has an age limit of under forty, is regarded as the Nobel Prize in which subject?

Mathematics

62. Which organisation will sponsor next year's Grand National horse race at Aintree?

Crabbies

63. Which British Monarch reigned from 1689-1694?

Mary II [see note 9](#)

64. Which country used to have the sucre as its national currency, but now uses the US Dollar?

Ecuador

65. Which film musical starts at Denton Episcopalian Church and finishes one day later in a field nearby?

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

66. Which placental mammal has the shortest gestation period at about 16 days?

The Golden Hamster [see note 10](#)

67. The name of which cloud type translates as 'heap'?

Cumulus

68. What shape is each face of a regular icosahedron?

An equilateral (or regular) triangle

69. Which sport will be added to the Olympic Games in Rio 2016?

Golf [see note 11](#)

70. In Paris which island is connected by bridge to the Île de la Cité?

Île Saint-Louis

Second Written Round

71. What volume of blood is measured at collection for a single donation?

470 mL [see note 12](#)

72. Published in 2009, *Open* is the title of which tennis star's autobiography?

Andre Agassi

73. An exhibition of which Salford artist is currently on display at the Salford Art Gallery?

Harold Riley

74. Miley Cyrus was recently seen *twerking* with Robin Thicke. What was the name of his controversial single and video, released earlier this year, which topped the charts in over a dozen countries?

Blurred Lines

75. Chris Lintott is the co-presenter of which long-running TV programme?

The Sky at Night

76. What is the American equivalent of a British woman's dress size 16?

Size 14

77. Which is the largest lake on the Equator?

Lake Victoria

78. Which chemical element takes its name from the Latin for 'Russia'?

Ruthenium

79. The website Galaxy Zoo asks its visitors to do what?

Classify galaxies

80. Which part of the human body is affected by *spondylolisthesis*?

Spine (or vertebrae)

Spares

1. What homophones can be an author's name or a painful part of the lower limb?

Bunyan, Bunion

2. Of what is *zymology* the study?

Fermentation

3. Who illustrated the books of Roald Dahl and decorated the wall in the new St Pancras Station?

Quentin Blake

4. Tattie Bogle, Hodmedod and Murmet are all types of what?

Scarecrow

5. In ITV's series *Downton Abbey* who plays Lady Mary Crawley?

Michelle Dockery

Notes and corrections

1. The correct name of the character is Emile de Becque, not Anton LeBeque.
2. Colónes is the plural of the more commonly-used singular form, colón.
3. 'Pomelo' is an equally acceptable answer.
4. Ben Macdhui is not the second-highest mountain in South Africa.
5. Equally acceptable answers are: 'citric acid cycle' or 'tricarboxylic acid cycle' or 'TCA cycle'.

When compared to all other Krebs-related mnemonics, this one appears to have a superfluous letter 'o' and a missing second letter 's'.

6. According to the overwhelming majority of sources incunabula were printed before 1501.
7. Many sources give the answer as 74 mph.
8. This is one of only one of [a number of possible etymologies](#) for antimony.
9. 'William III' is an alternative acceptable answer. He reigned jointly with Mary from 1689-94 and for a further eight years after her death.
10. Many sources give alternative answers to this question, particularly the opossum and the Eastern quoll (Australian eastern native cat).
11. 'Rugby Sevens' is an equally acceptable answer.
12. 470 mL is the standard size of donation for whole blood in the UK. Most other countries have their own preferred size of donation, usually from 200 to 500 mL.
13. The fact that only one A Division team scored over 50 suggests the questions were a bit on the hard side and this is supported by feedback received. That said, with one (possibly two) exception(s), the questions complied with the guideline that aggregate scores should be at least 80.

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