

**KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES  
THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2014  
QUESTIONS BY RAILWAY FLIERS**

**First Verbal Round**

1. Who crossed Niagara Falls in 1859 on a tightrope?  
**Charles Blondin**
2. What was the Roman name for the Isle of Wight?  
**Vectis**
3. Who composed the music for the films *Jaws* and *Star Wars*?  
**John Williams**
4. Which alloy contains 91% tin, 7.5% antimony and 1.5% copper?  
**(English) Pewter**
5. What event is held annually in Ranelagh Gardens, London?  
**Chelsea Flower Show**
6. Which UK paper size is 148 mm x 210 mm?  
**A5**
7. What was the name of the drummer in Led Zeppelin, who died in September 1980?  
**John Bonham**
8. In which town is the University of Surrey located?  
**Guildford**
9. Which unit of measurement is equal to 3.26 light years?  
**Parsec**
10. Which part of the human body is affected by phlebitis?  
**Veins**
11. The Australian singer Shirley Abicair played which instrument?  
**Zither**
12. What is the name of the country retreat of the President of the USA?  
**Camp David**
13. The Health Minister Enoch Powell announced on 4 December 1961 that what would be available to all on the NHS?  
**Oral Contraception (or 'The Pill')**
14. Whose birth name was Vera Jayne Palmer?  
**Jayne Mansfield**
15. Fingal's Cave is located on which island in the Inner Hebrides?  
**Staffa**
16. During the recent floods the Environment Secretary Owen Patterson was admitted to hospital for treatment of what?

**Detached retina**

17. Who was the first wife of James II of England?  
**Anne Hyde**
18. Who at the Sochi Winter Olympics of 2014 won Great Britain's first-ever medal on snow?  
**Jennie Jones**
19. Which group had Number 1 hits in 1966 with *Keep on Running* and *Somebody Help Me*?  
**The Spencer Davis Group**
20. What is the name of the stretch of water between the Malaysian Peninsula and Sumatra?  
**Straits of Malacca**
21. Which cereal has been used since the 16th century to make the Italian dish polenta?  
**Maize**
22. Albert DeSalvo was better known as what?  
**Boston Strangler**
23. Who was elected MP for Wythenshawe and Sale East in the bye-election on 13 February 2014?  
**Michael Kane**
24. What, in *Coronation Street*, were the first names of Ken Barlow's parents?  
**Frank and Ida**
25. Which politician is married to Ffion Jenkins?  
**William Hague**
26. What colour is the Bakerloo line on London Underground maps?  
**Brown**
27. The River Jordan flows through which US state capital?  
**Salt Lake City**
28. The loganberry is a cross between which two fruits?  
**Raspberry and Blackberry**
29. Who directed the 1985 film *A Chorus Line*?  
**Richard Attenborough**
30. What is the American equivalent of the British post code?  
**ZIP Code**

**First Written Round**

31. Who, as at 17 February 2014, is Deputy President of the Supreme Court of the UK?  
**Baroness (Barbara) Hale (of Richmond)**
32. Which root vegetable has the Latin Name *Helianthus tuberosus* and is also known as the 'earth apple' or 'sunroot'?  
**Jerusalem Artichoke**
33. Who was the female artist who lived in a *ménage à trois* with Ralph Partridge and Lytton Strachey?  
**Dora Carrington**

34. Who was the Chief Prosecutor for the UK at the Nuremberg trials held between 20 November 1945 and 1 October 1946?  
**Hartley Shawcross**
35. Generally considered to be one of Pugin's masterpieces, the Catholic Church of St Giles is located in which town?  
**Cheadle** (Staffordshire)
36. What is the common name for the organic compound with the formula  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$  or  $\text{HCHO}$ ?  
**Formaldehyde**
37. Who was Prime Minister of Australia from January 1968 to March 1971?  
**John Gorton**
38. The TV series *A Touch of Frost* is set in which fictional South Midlands town?  
**Denton**
39. Falstaff in Shakespeare's *Henry IV Part 2* says of his companion Poins that "*His wit is as thick as...*" what?  
**Tewkesbury mustard**
40. Who was the 1967 Formula 1 World Champion?  
**Denny Hulme**

**Theme is all answers contain a place in Greater Manchester:  
Hale, Sale, Carrington, Shaw, Cheadle, Hyde, Gorton, Denton, Bury and Hulme**

### Second Verbal Round

41. Which group, formed in 1972, initially consisted of Christy Moore, Andy Irvine, Donal Lunny and Liam O'Flynn?  
**Planxty**
42. In which mountain range is Ben Nevis?  
**Grampians**
43. In the Bible who was the father of John the Baptist?  
**Zacharias**
44. Which King did Handel write the *Water Music* for?  
**George I**
45. Who was Phileas Fogg's travelling companion in *Around the World in 80 Days*?  
**Passepartout**
46. Which actor played Beauregard Maverick in the TV series *Maverick*?  
**Roger Moore**
47. What is the longest canal built as a single waterway in the UK?  
**Leeds–Liverpool Canal**
48. What does a *galanthophile* collect?  
**Snowdrops**
49. Which group had hits with the songs *Swords of a Thousand Men* and *Who Killed Bambi??*

**Tenpole Tudor**

50. Real Madrid won the first five European Cup finals. Only two players played in all five. Name either of them.

**Alfredo Di Stéfano or Francisco Gento** [see note 1](#)

51. The top two most-borrowed books from libraries in 2012-2013 were *The Affair* and *A Wanted Man*, by which author?

**Lee Child**

52. The National Trust property Dalton Castle is in which English county?

**Cumbria**

53. Which animals belong to the genus *Sus*?

**Pigs**

54. Who presents the BBC Radio 4 programme *Poetry Please*?

**Roger McGough**

55. The Home Secretary Theresa May is MP for which constituency?

**Maidenhead**

56. Which plants are also known as the Christmas or Lenten Rose?

**Hellebores**

57. The courtesy title Marquess of Tavistock is held by the eldest son and heir of which peer?

**Duke of Bedford**

58. What make of raincoat, that became a fashion icon, did the politician Harold Wilson wear and popularise in the 1960s?

**Gannex**

59. Which architect designed the rebuild of Coventry Cathedral which was completed in 1962?

**Sir Basil Spence**

60. Which pop artist had UK Top 50 hits with *Kung Fu Fighting*, *Dance the Kung Fu* and *Run Back*?

**Carl Douglas**

61. What is the name of the Japanese art of flower arrangement?

**Ikebana**

62. Which musical is based on Thornton Wilder's play *The Matchmaker*?

**Hello, Dolly!**

63. Which two companies jointly developed the compact disc (CD)?

**Philips and Sony**

64. What is the English name of the Republic of Ireland's national anthem?

**The Soldier's Song**

65. Who painted *The Singing Butler*?

**Jack Vettriano**

66. As at 27 February 2014 who is the CEO of HSBC Bank?

**Stuart Gulliver** [see note 2](#)

67. What did Dunham Massey Hall become in 1917 and will become again, temporarily, in 2014?

## Stamford Military Hospital

68. What brewery is located in Bakewell?

**Thornbridge**

69. Who was the founder of the retailer Habitat?

**Terence Conran**

70. Which classic cycle race is known as 'The Queen of the Classics' or 'The Hell of the North'?

**Paris–Roubaix**

## Second Written Round

71. Who wrote the plays *Accidental Death of an Anarchist* and *Can't Pay? Won't Pay!?* He was also the winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1997.

**Dario Fo**

72. In the TV series *The Tunnel* which actors played the parts of the detectives Karl Roebuck and Elise Wasserman?

**Stephen Dillane and Clémence Poésy**

73. In the context of internet protocols what do the initials NTP stand for?

**Network Time Protocol**

74. Who assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo in 1914?

**Gavrilo Princip**

75. Who, as at 27 February 2014, is the Bishop of Manchester?

**David Walker**

76. Who wrote the novels *Put Out More Flags*, *Vile Bodies* and *The Loved One*?

**Evelyn Waugh**

77. In what year was the last general election before the First World War?

**1910**

78. Whose play about the cyclist Beryl Burton will be staged at the West Yorkshire Playhouse in June 2014 to mark the start of the Tour de France in Yorkshire?

**Maxine Peake**

79. Which chef is connected with *L'Enclume* in Cartmel and *The French* at the Midland Hotel in Manchester?

**Simon Rogan**

80. Which composer wrote the *Diabelli Variations*?

**Ludwig van Beethoven**

## Spares

1. Who wrote the operas *Oedipus rex* and *The Rake's Progress*?

**Igor Stravinsky**

2. The jazz musicians Richard Galliano and Art Van Damme played which instrument?

**Accordion**

3. Croagh Patrick (St Patrick's Mountain) is in which Irish county?  
**Mayo**
4. The Manchester twins Justin and Jason Hackett have played for England at what?  
**Bridge**
5. The National Trust property Mottisfont Abbey is in which English county?  
**Hampshire**
6. In Scottish folklore what is a *selkie* or *silkie*?  
**A human (on land) and a seal (at sea)**
7. Which Scottish international scrum-half has signed for Sale Sharks for next season?  
**Chris Cusiter**
8. Who, as at 27 February 2014, is the General Secretary of the TUC?  
**Frances O'Grady**

### Notes and corrections

1. **Three** players appeared in all five matches: Gento, Di Stéfano and José María Zárraga.
2. More accurately, Stuart Gulliver is the CEO of the parent group, HSBC Holdings, as well as HSBC (Europe). There are umpteen subsidiary HSBC banks, most with their own CEO.

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