KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2014 QUESTIONS BY TRAVELLERS CALL

First Verbal Round

1. On which day was Solomon Grundy married?

Wednesday

2. Sissy Jupe and Josiah Bounderby appear in which Charles Dickens novel?

Hard Times

3. Who has been appointed as the 15th Chair of the Federal Reserve System of the USA?

Janet Yellen

4. Harold Nicholson and his wife built which world famous garden in a ruined castle in the 1930s?

Sissinghurst

5. What happened in 2013 for the first time since 1415?

The Pope resigned

6. Vindaloo is a well known curry dish, but what did the word originally mean?

Meat with wine and garlic (from Portuguese)

7. Why were Mahmood Al Zarooni and Gerard Butler in trouble in 2013?

Doping racehorses

8. Turdus is the Latin name for which family of birds?

Thrushes

9. What does a helixophile collect?

Corkscrews

10. What links the following animals: chimpanzees, monkeys, dogs, mice and a guinea pig?

All have travelled in space

11. Which character in children's literature is known as *Oui Oui* in France?

Noddy

12. The cakewalk was a popular competition dance in the early 20th century, but what was the usual prize?

A cake

13. Where on the body would you wear a biggin?

On the head

14. Until 19 January 2014, what record was held by the footballers Dennis Bailey, David Bentley, Dirk Kuyt and Romelu Lukaku?

Only players to score a hat-trick against Manchester United in the Premier League (Samuel Eto'o joined them on 19 January 2014) see note 1

15. Which world leader drives an ancient Renault 4 with over 200,000 miles on the clock?

The Pope

16. Bernardo O'Higgins was the liberator of which South American country?

Chile

17. The St. Louis Blues play which sport?

Ice Hockey

18. "Arise, children of the Fatherland, the day of glory is here" are the first words of which country's national anthem?

France

19. Of which ship was Benjamin Briggs the captain?

Mary Celeste

20. What was known in England as the Halifax gibbet and in Scotland as the Maiden?

Guillotine

21. According to the nursery rhyme what did *Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son* steal?

A pig

22. Who was born Lesley Hornby in 1949?

Twiggy

23. Which 20th century leader said "Liberty is precious – so precious it must be rationed."?

Lenin

24. Which country's parliament is called the *Storting*?

Norway

25. Which comedian began his stage career in 1922, aged 14, and went on to star on radio and TV and specialised in acting parts in Samuel Beckett plays?

Max Wall

26. Who wrote the biography Stalin Ate My Homework?

Alexi Sayle

27. What is the Yiddish word for 'snack food'?

Nosh

28. In the Bible, who was King Solomon's mother?

Bathsheba

29. Which vegetable is also known as 'ladies' fingers'?

Okra

30. Chris Hughes, Andrew McCollum, Dustin Moskovitz, Eduardo Saverin plus one other founded which international organisation?

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First Written Round

31. The atom scientist Edward Teller once jokingly remarked: "We are Martians who have come to Earth to change everything." To which nationality was he referring?

Hungarians see note 2

32. Which Broadway musical contains the song *Doin' What Comes Natur'lly?*

Annie Get Your Gun

33. Which major English composer died on 12 November 2013?

Sir John Tavener

34. Which US state has the nickname *The Pelican State*?

Louisiana

35. The Less Deceived and High Windows are collections of verse by which writer, who turned down the Poet Laureateship after the death of John Betjeman in 1984?

Philip Larkin

36. For which offence were the dramatist Joe Orton and his partner Kenneth Halliwell imprisoned in 1962?

Defacing library books

37. Swirral Edge leads down to Red Tarn from which Cumbrian peak?

Helvellyn

38. Which Cheshire micro-brewery produces the beers *Shameless* and *Directionless*?

Red Willow (of Macclesfield)

39. Who conducted the televised New Year's Day concert given by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra on 1 January 2014?

Daniel Barenboim

40. In which English county is the Tarka Line branch railway?

Devon (it runs from Exeter to Barnstaple)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which Mr Man is 'in a world of his own, his imagination running wild?

Mr Daydream

42. Who was the creator of *Tarzan*?

Edgar Rice Burroughs

43. Which philosopher wrote An Essay Concerning Human Understanding?

John Locke

44. Which 17th century painter's work includes *Expulsion of the Moriscos*, a portrait of Pope Innocent X and *The Toilet of Venus*?

Diego Velázquez

45. Who managed Carlisle United, Grimsby Town, Workington Town and Huddersfield Town before earning worldwide fame with another English football club?

Bill Shankly

46. From which country do we get Bel Paese cheese?

Italy

47. Of which country are Ghegs and Tosks the principal ethnic groups?

Albania

48. Who was arrested in Khartoum in 1994 after a world-wide manhunt?

Carlos the Jackal (aka Ilich Ramírez Sánchez)

49. Which toxic protein is extracted from the castor oil plant?

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50. The Flaminian Way ran from Rome to where?

Rimini (also accept 'Ariminum')

51. Which group recorded Motown Records' first million-selling single?

The Miracles (Shop Around)

52. Who wrote Madam Bovary?

Gustav Flaubert

53. Which speed skater won five gold medals in the 1980 Winter Olympics?

Eric Heiden

54. Which school of philosophy was founded by Zeno of Citium?

Stoic

55. Which 1990 film was based on Philip K. Dick's short story We Can Remember It for You Wholesale?

Total Recall

56. Name the Marussia Formula 1 team test driver who died from injuries sustained in a 2012 accident.

Maria de Villota

57. Which 1941 Errol Flynn film was based around the Battle of the Little Big Horn?

They Died With Their Boots On

58. Posie, Perkin and Pootle were characters in BBC children's series in the '70s and '80s?

The Flumps

59. In what year was 'PhONEday', when a one was inserted into UK dialling codes?

1995

60. Which singer had UK No. 1 albums with Escapology in 2002 and Take the Crown in 2012?

Robbie Williams

61. Name two of the three metals used to make gunmetal?

Copper, tin, zinc

62. Which US President was given the nickname 'The Moonshine Philosopher'?

Thomas Jefferson

63. Which African country left the Commonwealth in October 2013?

The Gambia

64. Name two of the three countries which boycotted the Commonwealth Conference in Sri Lanka on human rights grounds in 2013?

Canada, India, Mauritius

65. What connects John Sivebaek and Javier Hernandez?

Scored first and last goals during Fergie's time as Man Utd manager

66. Which poet died of marsh fever at Missolonghi on 19 April 1824?

Lord Byron

67. What is the capital of Mali?

Bamako

68. In which French city would you find the headquarters of INTERPOL?

Lyon

69. What is the longest river in Poland?

River Vistula

70. Which sport is central to the 2013 film Rush?

Motor racing (Formula 1)

Second Written Round

71. Which part of the body is affected by Pick's disease?

Brain

72. What colour ribbon does the Victoria Cross have?

Purple see note 3

73. What links three Catherines, two Annes and a Jane?

Names of wives of Henry VIII

74. In which London Park would you find Rotten Row?

Hyde Park

75. In which century did Joan of Arc become a saint?

Twentieth century

76. Which dramatist was born on 6 February 1564?

Christopher Marlowe see note 4

77. Which tragedy occurred on 6 February 1958?

Munich Air Disaster

78. In which animated Walt Disney film does a villain called Stromboli appear?

Pinocchio

79. In Greek mythology, who was married to Penelope?

Odysseus

80. Which European animal is a small, brown carnivorous mammal with a slender body whose Latin name is *Mustela nivalis*?

Weasel

Spares

1. Who is the Oscar-nominated director of the film 12 Years a Slave?

Steve McQueen

2. Pentlandite is the main ore of which metal?

Nickel

3. In the advertising world, what did you have to 'Tell Sid' about?

British Gas Privatisation Share Issue

4. Who was known as 'Darwin's Bulldog'?

Thomas Huxley

5. Which canal was built to bypass Niagara Falls?

Welland Canal

Notes and corrections

- 1. Dennis Bailey's hat-trick doesn't count as he scored it on 1 January 1992, several months before football was invented.
- 2. This remark was probably <u>made by one of his compatriots</u>, rather than by Teller.
- 3. This one always causes problems: although commonly described as 'purple' the ribbon is actually deep red or crimson. In army warrants the colour is stated simply as 'red'.
- 4. The exact date of Marlowe's birth is unknown.

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