

KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 9 OCTOBER 2014
QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

1. What is the name of the toreador in Bizet's opera *Carmen*?
Escamillo
2. Comedian Tommy Trinder was once chairman of which football club?
Fulham
3. Which world heavyweight boxing champion was known as *The Fighting Marine*?
Gene Tunney
4. Who was the captain of England's Rugby Union World Cup-winning side of 2003?
Martin Johnson
5. Elvis Presley was born in 1935 in which small city in Mississippi?
Tupelo
6. Whose plays include *An Enemy of the People* and *The Master Builder*?
Henrik Ibsen
7. In which film does Robert de Niro play the role of Max Cady?
Cape Fear
8. Which American actress is probably best-known for providing the voice of Bart Simpson?
Nancy Cartwright
9. The chemical elements erbium, terbium, ytterbium and yttrium are all named after a village in which European country?
Sweden
10. Which American actress played Tony's wife Carmela in *The Sopranos* and plays the title role in the comedy-drama *Nurse Jackie*?
Eddie Falco
11. Who painted *Child with a Dove*, *The Weeping Woman* and *The Old Guitarist*?
Pablo Picasso
12. What was the papal number of the Pope Gregory who devised the Gregorian calendar?
XIII
13. Filzmoos is a ski resort in which European country?
Austria
14. A hussar was originally a cavalryman from which country?
Hungary
15. Shepherd Neame, which claims to be Britain's oldest brewery, is based in which market town in Kent?
Faversham
16. Which Shakespearean character describes himself as '*More sinn'd against than sinning*'?
King Lear

17. Which bird appears on the state flags of Illinois, Iowa, North Dakota and Utah?
Eagle
18. In May 1914 which ship that was built on the Clyde sank following a collision in the St Lawrence River, Quebec with the loss of over 1000 lives?
RMS Empress of Ireland
19. Which anniversary is Wisden Cricketers' Almanac celebrating this year?
150th
20. Which English county is home to the Forest of Arden?
Warwickshire
21. The naval battle of Navarino in 1827 took place in the waters off which modern-day country?
Greece
22. At a distance of about 65 light years and more than 40 times the size of our sun, Aldebaran is the brightest star in which constellation?
Taurus
23. In the game of *Scrabble* how many points is the letter P worth?
Three
24. Which shipping forecast area covers almost the whole of the southern coast of Ireland?
Fastnet
25. Jazz musician Artie Shaw was renowned for playing which instrument?
Clarinet
26. In the title of the first of Colin Dexter's Inspector Morse novels, to where did the last bus go?
Woodstock
27. What connects Lynette Fromme and Sara Jane Moore in 1975 and John Hinckley in 1981?
Tried (and failed) to assassinate the US President (Ford and Reagan)
28. How is the bird *Aquila chrysaetos* more commonly known?
Golden eagle
29. In the Bible who was the second and favourite wife of Jacob and the mother of Joseph and Benjamin?
Rachel
30. Which Supremes song topped the charts in October 1964, their only UK number one single?
Baby Love

First Written Round – NO THEME

31. The city of Dundee has been described as being built on three industries: journalism, jute and which other 'j'?
Jam
32. Which Yorkshire city is also the maiden name of David Cameron's wife, Samantha?
Sheffield
33. Currently travelling the UK with their *Greatest Hits Live!* tour, which girl group's members include Una Foden, Mollie King and Vanessa White?
The Saturdays

34. Which city comes next in this sequence:
Edmonton, Brisbane, Edinburgh, Auckland, Victoria, Kuala Lumpur...?
Manchester (Commonwealth Games host cities)
35. Of which multinational company, founded under a different name in 1909, are Carl-Henric Svanberg and Bob Dudley the Chairman and CEO respectively?
BP
36. What is the name of the programme shown on *Dave* that is an adult version of the children's favourite *Jackanory*? Last month it notably featured the late Rik Mayall reading *The Weatherman*, possibly his final TV recording.
Crackanory
37. West Valley City, Orem, Sandy, Provo and West Jordan are five of the six most populous towns or cities in which US state?
Utah
38. Which European motor manufacturer produces the models of car *Captur*, *Duster* and *Latitude*?
Renault
39. Which British illustrator, born in 1932, is probably best known for his work in the books of Roald Dahl?
Quentin Blake
40. In science and mathematics, which letter may be used to represent luminous intensity, electric current, moment of inertia or the square root of minus one?

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Second Verbal Round

41. Which King was on the British throne at the time of the Battle of Waterloo?
George III
42. Which year did the Queen famously describe as an *annus horribilis*?
1992
43. Name either of the men who, at 6 feet 4 inches, are the tallest Presidents in US history.
Abraham Lincoln or **Lyndon B. Johnson**
44. What surname connects an FA cup final goal scorer, *Last of the Summer Wine* and a Labour Foreign Secretary of the 1970s?
Owen (Michael, Bill, David)
45. The World War II naval battle of Leyte Gulf, the Charge of the Light Brigade and the Battle of Agincourt all took place on which day of the year, also known as St Crispin's Day?
25 October
46. Which prog rock group, that shares its name with a John Steinbeck novel, had a UK top ten hit in 1971 with *Jig-A-Jig*?
East of Eden
47. What is the title of Australia's national anthem?
Advance Australia Fair
48. What is the chemical formula for potassium permanganate?
KMnO₄

49. The Who's most successful songs, in terms of UK chart position, both reached number two in the mid-sixties. Name either.

My Generation* or *I'm A Boy

50. In which country was comedian Eddie Izzard born?

Yemen

51. Traditional sticky toffee pudding contains which fruit?

Dates

52. In Gustav Holst's *Planets Suite*, which planet is known as 'The Bringer of Old Age'?

Saturn

53. The Chelsea Flower Show is traditionally held in which month?

May

54. Which 1949 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical features the songs *Honey Bun*, *I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair* and *A Cockeyed Optimist*?

South Pacific

55. Which Irishman is the only person to have won the Eurovision Song Contest twice?

Johnny Logan

56. Which British actor played the part of Bernard Montgomery in the 1970 Oscar-winning film *Patton*?

Michael Bates

57. In 1983 which capital city became home to the first Disney theme park outside the USA?

Tokyo

58. The Monet painting *Impression, Sunrise* which gave its name to the impressionist movement depicts the sunrise over which French sea port?

Le Havre

59. The Mediterranean island of Pianosa is the setting for which famous novel of 1961?

Catch-22

60. What is the current job of former janitor, lab technician and nightclub bouncer, Jorge Bergoglio?

Pope

61. Which British river flows through the popular tourist destination Symonds Yat?

The Wye

62. What is the name of the bell at the entrance to Christ Church College, Oxford?

Great Tom

63. Since 2007 an ISBN, or International Standard Book Number, consists of how many digits

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64. Which African country is home to the world's largest reservoir, Lake Volta?

Ghana

65. Which day of the week translates into Spanish as *Viernes*?

Friday

66. Earlier this year a player from which country became the first participant from outside the British Isles to win the World Quizzing Championship?

India (Vikram Joshi)

67. Which online service was created by Kevin Systrom and Mike Krieger and launched in October 2010? It allows users to share photos and videos on social networking platforms such as Twitter, Facebook and Tumblr.

Instagram

68. Which British author will appear on Bank of England £10 notes printed from 2017 onwards?

Jane Austen

69. Lancashire and which other county were relegated from Division One of the County Championship at the end of the 2014 season?

Northamptonshire

70. Who was the European team captain the last time they lost the Ryder Cup?

Nick Faldo (in 2008)

Second Written Round

71. In the standard London edition of the board game *Monopoly*, which is the first railway station to be reached after passing 'Go'?

King's Cross

72. Which Dickens novel features a raven called Grip?

Barnaby Rudge

73. What is the name of the family of Oklahoma farmers that is central to the plot of John Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath*?

Joad

74. Which team made its tenth and most recent FA cup final appearance in 2000, in the last final to be played at the 'old' Wembley Stadium?

Aston Villa

75. On what date (day/month/year) did the Battle of the Somme begin?

1 July 1916

76. Name either of the films for which Spencer Tracy won a Best Actor Oscar.

Captains Courageous or **Boys Town**

77. Production of which British coin worth four pennies ceased in 1856?

The groat

78. Which two words appear on the George Cross medal?

For Gallantry

79. How many crotchets are there in a minim?

Two

80. Who wrote the poem *The Old Vicarage, Grantchester*?

Rupert Brooke

Spares

1. In which country is the source of the River Danube?

Germany

2. Which actor, who played 'Egg' in the 1990s BBC drama *This Life*, is married to the daughter of Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson?

Andrew Lincoln

3. Which of Shakespeare's plays features the stage direction '*Exit, pursued by a bear*'?

The Winter's Tale

4. Which Dorset coastal town stands at the confluence of the rivers Avon and Stour?

Christchurch

5. What is the title of the Beautiful South's only UK number one single, which topped the charts in 1990?

A Little Time

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