KNOCKOUT QUALIFYING MATCHES THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2014 QUESTIONS BY THE SUN & CASTLE

First Verbal Round

1. Who did the enchantress Dame Gothel hold prisoner in the tower?

Rapunzel

2. For which music festival, held in July each year, is the town of Bayreuth in Germany famous?

Wagner

3. In the first ever episode who lived at No.11 Coronation Street?

Jack and Annie Walker see note 1

4. Who starred as the skipper of the Andrea Gail in the 2000 film The Perfect Storm?

George Clooney

5. Which bird, Lagopus muta, turns white in winter except for the black tail feathers?

Ptarmigan

6. What disease became an epidemic and caused 43 deaths in Croydon in 1937?

Typhoid

7. In July 1967 Mick Fleetwood and Peter Green left which band to form Fleetwood Mac? (John McVie also followed a few weeks later)

John Mayall and The Bluesbreakers

8. H₂SO₄ is the molecular formula of what colourless or slightly yellowy liquid that is soluble in water?

Sulphuric Acid

9. What is the largest city, by population, in Africa?

Lagos see note 2

10. In a General Election which MP's seat is traditionally not contested? (although in 1997 two minor parties did)

Speaker of the House of Commons

11. What was founded by King George V by royal proclamation on 17 July 1917?

The House of Windsor

12. Which car manufacturer produced models named the Indy, Bora and Ghibli?

Maserati

13. Which US TV series, created by Rod Serling, introduced many Americans to science fiction with its first episode *Where is Everybody? in* 1959?

The Twilight Zone

14. In the 1992–93 season in Football League Division One, Watford finished runners-up to Liverpool. This was mainly due having the league's top goal scorer, with 27 goals; who is he?

Luther Blissett see note 3

15. Created in 1984 with a base level of 1000, the FTSE-100 share index peaked at 6950 in December of which year?

1999

16. Having played criminal Tommy Lee Royce in *Happy Valley* earlier this year, who returned to our screens as crime-solving Vicar Sidney Chambers in *Grantchester* more recently?

James Norton

17. The Avenue de Champagne is the most famous street in which town in the Marne department of Northern France?

Épernay

18. Before moving to its regular venue at the Crucible Theatre in 1977 the Snooker World Championships were played in Manchester in 1973, 1974 and 1976. Name any of the venues.

City Exhibition Hall (1973), Belle Vue (1974) or Wythenshawe Forum (1976)

19. Which country uses the internet suffix .za?

South Africa

20. Norville Rogers is the real name of which cartoon character?

Shaggy (in Scooby Doo)

21. In 1968 who became the first person to be murdered in *Coronation Street* when he was pushed down a flight of stairs by Joe Donnelli?

Steve Tanner

22. Which British Monarch married Caroline of Ansbach in 1705?

George II

23. Built in 1909, what is the highest capacity sports venue in the world with 400,000 seats?

Indianapolis Motor Speedway see note 4

24. Which of our native trees is currently blighted by a fungus called Guignardia aesculi?

Horse Chestnut

25. First published in Germany in 1487, the Malleus Maleficarum was a manual used for what purpose?

Witch trials

26. Which Cheshire country house is home to an organ that was reputedly used by Handel when composing his suite *The Harmonious Blacksmith* around 1741–42?

Adlington Hall

27. What is the national bird of the United Kingdom?

European Robin

28. Which golfer played the winning shot in this year's Ryder Cup and is honorary life vice-president at Macclesfield Golf Club?

Jamie Donaldson

29. In 2003 which Beatles album was re-mixed, re-mastered and re-released as a Naked version?

Let It Be (Phil Spector 'tweaks' removed)

30. What are the names of Bernie Ecclestone's two socialite daughters from his marriage to wife Slavica?

Tamara and Petra

First Written Round THERE IS A THEME

31. James Watt and which other industrialist are found on the back of the latest £50 note?

Matthew Boulton

32. Which book, first published in 1962 and written by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, concerns just 24 hours in the life of a prisoner?

One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich

33. Which band formed in Liverpool in 1979 scored its biggest UK singles chart success in 1983 with the track *Wishful Thinking*?

China Crisis

34. Which Italian actress and model, born in 1952, was once married to Martin Scorsese?

Isabella Rossellini

35. Which American rock musician, born in 1951, was a member of Crazy Horse and since 1984 Bruce Springsteen's E Street Band. He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2014.

Nils Lofgren

36. Before being declared bankrupt in 2001 which American company had over 20,000 staff and was one of the world's leading gas, electricity and paper suppliers?

Enron

37. Which 1968 Spaghetti western, directed by Sergio Leone, featured Henry Fonda cast against type as the villain with Charles Bronson playing his nemesis, known only as 'Harmonica' because he plays the instrument repeatedly?

Once Upon a Time in the West

38. Who is recorded as the first British Christian martyr, believed to have been beheaded around the 3rd or 4th century AD in the Roman city of Verulamium?

St. Alban

39. What name is given to the unit of length 10⁻¹⁰ metre, that being one ten billionth of a metre?

Angstrom

40. Which actor, born Michel Demitri Shalhoub in 1932, played the lead role in the 1969 biographical film *Che!*, based on the life of Ernesto Guevara?

Omar Sharif

THEME: Last two letters of each answer are the first two letters of the next answer

Second Verbal Round

41. Chelsea FC doctor Eva Carneiro, often seen treating players on the pitch, was born in which British overseas territory?

Gibraltar

42. Which US TV series, starring David Duchovny, shares its name with a Red Hot Chilli Peppers album and single?

Californication

43. George Bush International Airport serves which U.S. city?

Houston (Texas)

44. Which guitarist played the guitar solo on the track *Beat It* from the album *Thriller* by Michael Jackson?
Eddie Van Halen
45. Michael Crichton, who wrote *Jurassic Park*, also created which long-running TV medical drama series?
ER

46. Name the first song to top the UK single charts that was sung in a foreign language and the duo that performed it?

Je t'aime (moi non plus) by Serge Gainsbourg and Jane Birkin

47. Who is the only player in the last 50 years to have won the Golden Boot in both top flight Scottish and English football?

Andy Gray

48. The Althing, the world's joint-oldest surviving Parliament, is in which country?

Iceland

49. What does the Latin phrase mare incognitum mean?

Unknown sea

50. The Invictus Games, now a major paralympic sporting event, are championed by the poem *Invictus*. Who wrote the poem?

William Ernest Henley

51. Queen Elizabeth I often drank what for breakfast?

Beer

52. Which writer uses the pen-name Robert Galbraith?

J. K. Rowling

53. Crucifixion is still a recognized form of official punishment in which African country?

Sudan

54. What is the state capital of Nebraska?

Lincoln

55. Born in 1860, who was Klara Pölzl?

Adolf Hitler's mother

56. Who won a place in the *Guinness Book of Records* for writing 26 books in 1983?

Barbara Cartland

57. Cetshwayo once ruled which people?

The Zulus

58. What nationality was Marie Tussaud who founded the famous wax work exhibitions?

Swiss see note 5

59. In a famous film, name the couple that had a daughter named Bonnie Blue? (character names please)

Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara

60. Which famous artist painted and sketched the atrocities of war committed by Napoleon's soldiers in Spain?

Goya

61. Eratosthenes is known as the father of which discipline?

Geography

62. Which football team play at the Macron Stadium?

Bolton Wanderers

63. From leaving Manchester after which stop do Metrolink trams to East Didsbury and the Airport go their separate ways?

Saint Werburgh's Road

- 64. How many points would the tiles used to spell Scrabble score in the game of Scrabble?
 - **14** (B and C are worth 3, the rest are worth 1)
- 65. Born in 1964, with the given name Alexander, he was educated at Eton College and Oxford University. He has served as MP for Henley previously and will be the Conservative candidate for Uxbridge and South Ruislip at the 2015 General Election. Who is he?

Boris Johnson

66. What is the title of the 1979 cult film about gang warfare in New York that had the tag-line "These are the armies of the night"?

The Warriors

67. What breed of dog is Afterglow Maverick Sabre, winner of best-in-show at this year's Crufts?

Standard Poodle

68. Who was born at 33 Carrington Road, Portwood, Stockport?

Fred Perry

69. By what name is the former colony of the New Hebrides now known?

Vanuatu

70. Which leader was defeated at the battle of Salamis in 480 BC?

Xerxes

Second Written Round

71. According to Transport for London, the colour corporate magenta pantone 235 denotes which tube line?

Metropolitan Line

72. Ebenezer Howard is associated with the founding of what?

Garden cities see note 10

73. Which British Order is limited to 65 members?

The Companions of Honour

74. Burke and Wills are associated with the exploration of which country?

Australia

75. What is the name of Data's cat in Star Trek: The Next Generation?

Spot

76. Which famous warship was sunk in the Denmark Strait on 24 May 1941?

HMS Hood

77. Which crustacean can change sex? see note 6

The oyster

78. Which 1958 film tells the story of Gladys Aylward, a British missionary who travelled to China in 1932?

The Inn of the Sixth Happiness

79. In Rugby Union, using modern standard numbering, the players wearing shirts 4 and 5 will be playing in what position?

Locks see note 7

80. 'The curfew tolls the knell of parting day, the lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea, the ploughman homeward plods his weary way' are the opening lines to which famous poem?

Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard (by Thomas Gray; also accept 'Gray's Elegy')

Spares

1. Which book by Walter Greenwood exposed how difficult life in the North of England was at the time of the great depression?

Love on the Dole

Which Brazilian aircraft manufacturer builds the successful E-jet and ERJ-jet regional aircraft ranges?

Embraer

3. What was the name of the male lead character played by Bruce Willis in Moonlighting?

David Addison

4. Which granddaughter of Queen Victoria was later to become Queen of Greece in 1889?

Sophia see note 8

Tie-Breaker see note 9

The world's largest cruise ship, the MS Allure of the Seas, caters for how many passengers in its maximum layout?

6,296

Notes

- 1. Elsie Tanner and her son Dennis lived at No. 11 Coronation Street.
- Many sources cite Cairo, rather than Lagos, as Africa's most-populous city. As is usually the case, the
 population figures vary hugely, depending on whether they refer to the city itself or the wider metropolitan
 area.
- 3. The season referred to was 1982–83, not 1992–93.
- 4. The Indianapolis Motor Speedway is commonly referred to as 'The Brickyard', which would also seem to be an acceptable answer.
- 5. There appear to be two schools of thought on Marie Tussaud's nationality. She was born in France (Strasbourg) and many sources refer to her as French, whereas others state that she later took Swiss citizenship.
- 6. Oysters are one of many mollusc (not crustacean) species that can display sequential hermaphroditism, i.e. 'change sex'.
- 7. 'Second row' is an equally acceptable answer.
- 8. Sophia married Constantine in 1889, but didn't become Queen Consort of Greece until her husband was crowned in 1913.
- 9. In knockout **qualifying** matches a draw is an acceptable result, so there is no need to include a tie-breaker.
- 10. Howard founded the Garden Cities movement. This became the Town and Country Planning Association, which is an equally acceptable answer.