

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 19 MARCH 2015

QUESTIONS BY THE SUN & CASTLE

First Verbal Round

1. In the automotive world, what links Kent, Essex, Valencia and Cologne?
Ford engines **see note 1**
2. Give a year in the life of Antonio Vivaldi.
1678–1741
3. Inside what in the human body would you find Haversian canals?
Bones
4. Who sang the Bond theme from *Octopussy*?
Rita Coolidge (*All Time High*)
5. Which country won the first ever Eurovision Song Contest in 1956?
Switzerland
6. Ambrosia, Maigold and Saint Everard are varieties of which fruit?
Apple
7. Which actor links the animated series *Ren and Stimpy* and *Futurama*?
Billy West
8. Which chemical element, atomic number 54, derives its name from the Greek for 'stranger'?
Xenon
9. What kind of animal is a green unicorn?
A snake
10. The phrase 'from pillar to post' originates from which medieval game?
Real Tennis
11. Who scored the first ever Premier League goal on the 15 August 1992?
Brian Deane (Sheffield Utd v Man Utd)
12. The colours of the University of Manchester are blue, purple and which other?
Gold **see note 2**
13. In Greek mythology, when was Antaeus (son of Poseidon and Gaia) at his weakest physical state, as he was when killed by Heracles?
When lifted from the ground (Gaia, his mother, was Mother Earth.)
14. The recent '12-year-film' *Boyhood*, had which actor nominated for the 2015 Best Supporting Actor Oscar?
Ethan Hawke
15. What is the capital city of Mali?
Bamako
16. The desert castles of the Umayyad caliphate were constructed in which country?
Jordan

17. The colours of Manchester Metropolitan University are blue, turquoise, gold and which other?
Burgundy see note 3
18. What car manufacturer's high performance models are produced by Polestar engineering?
Volvo
19. Give a year in the life of Joseph Haydn.
1732–1809
20. In order for the human body to maintain a constant blood glucose level it relies on two hormones produced in the pancreas with opposite actions. One is insulin, what is the other?
Glucagon
21. Who sang the Bond theme from *Tomorrow Never Dies*?
Sheryl Crow
22. Which band was the first ever to perform on *Top Of The Pops*?
The Rolling Stones
23. What is contained in a dish described as *à la Dubarry*?
Cauliflower
24. Which actress links the animated series *Futurama* and *Married with Children*?
Katey Sagal
25. Which chemical element, atomic number 71, has its name derived from the city of Paris?
Lutetium
26. The cachalot is an alternative name for which mammal?
Sperm Whale
27. The phrase '*Whether you think that you can, or that you can't, you are usually right*' is attributed to whom?
Henry Ford
28. How many different teams have played in the Premier League since 1992? (Answer can be within one either way)
46 (accept 45 to 47) see note 4
29. Who won the 2015 Oscar for Best Actress?
Julianne Moore (for *Still Alice*)
30. In Greek mythology, who constructed the Labyrinth in which was kept the Minotaur?
Daedalus

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME**

31. In two episodes of *South Park*, which gentleman's club was parodied by a club named Peppermint Hippo?
Spearmint Rhino
32. In *Last of the Summer Wine*, what was the nickname of Walter C. Dewhurst?
Foggy
33. The 1971 cult horror film *Willard* features which animals?
Rats

34. Guitarist and singer/songwriter Charlotte Hatherley left which band in 2006?
Ash
35. Baseball legend Babe Ruth died in his sleep aged 53 and Mahatma Gandhi was assassinated in which year?
1948
36. In 2002, former Hampshire cricket captain Mark Nicholas presented the second series of the UK version of which reality TV show?
Survivor
37. A pendant appearing to display the Arabic word for 'Allah' was digitally removed from the video for the 2013 release of which Katy Perry single?
Dark Horse
38. Which character was played by Carl Weathers in the *Rocky* film series?
Apollo Creed
39. Which New Zealand Rugby Union international received a kidney transplant in 2004 and returned to play professional rugby the following year?
Jonah Lomu
40. Olympia Dukakis won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for which 1987 film?
Moonstruck
- Theme is titles of James Herbert novels:**
The Spear, The Fog, The Rats, Ash, '48, The Survivor, The Dark, Creed, The Jonah and Moon.

Second Verbal Round

41. Göbleki Tepe is the oldest known what?
It is the oldest known man-made religious structure (in Anatolia from 9500-8400 B.C.)
42. What is the capital city of Eritrea?
Asmara
43. Amanda Barrie is perhaps best known for playing Cleopatra in *Carry on Cleo*, but in which other *Carry On* film does she appear?
Carry on Cabby
44. The internet term *TL; DR* stands for what?
Too long; didn't read (often used as a reply to a lengthy piece of writing)
45. Which indie/Britpop band released the comeback single *Under the Westway* in July 2012?
Blur
46. From which language does the word *cushty*, meaning good, come?
Romany
47. Which Edgar Allen Poe story ends with the line '*I had walled the monster up within the tomb*'?
The Black Cat
48. What was the real name of the pirate known as 'Calico Jack'?
John Rackham
49. What colour are *kobicha* and *burnt umber* shades of?
Brown

50. As at 1 March 2015 who is the CEO of Barclays Bank?
Antony Jenkins
51. Why was Joshua Leakey recently in the news?
He is the only living soldier to receive a VC for valour during the conflict in Afghanistan.
52. What was the title of Heaven 17's debut album?
Penthouse and Pavement
53. Which Shakespeare play opens with the line '*If music be the food of love, play on, give me excess of it*'?
Twelfth Night
54. Name either of the actors to whom the part of *The Persuaders!* Danny Wilde was originally offered.
Rock Hudson or Glenn Ford (both rejected it before it was offered to Tony Curtis)
55. The internet term *YMMV* stands for what?
Your mileage may vary (often used to indicate a difference of opinion)
56. Fenella Fielding is perhaps best known for playing Valeria Watt in *Carry On Screaming*, but in which other *Carry On* film does she appear?
Carry on Regardless
57. From which language does the word *nosh* for food come?
Yiddish
58. Which Edgar Allen Poe story ends with the line '*the inquisition was in the hands of its enemies*'?
The Pit and the Pendulum
59. What was the real name of the pirate known as 'Blackbeard'?
Edward Teach **see note 5**
60. What colour are *phlox* and *pomp and power* shades of?
Purple
61. As at 1 March 2015 who is CEO of Royal Bank of Scotland?
Ross McEwan
62. How many ceramic poppies featured in the 2014 installation at the Tower of London, to the nearest 1,000?
888,000 (actual number 888,246)
63. Who fronted the new wave band, the Associates?
Billy Mackenzie
64. Which Shakespeare play ends with the line '*And let's away, to part the glories of this happy day*'?
Julius Caesar
65. Who was the original choice for Harry Palmer in *The Ipcress File*?
Christopher Plummer (he turned it down to star in *The Sound of Music*)
66. The IWF is the governing body for which sport?
Weightlifting (International Weightlifting Federation)
67. What is the name of the ornamental work made from twisted wires, sometimes gold or silver, made into intricate designs?
Filigree **see note 6**

68. Whose recent autobiography was entitled *There's Something I've Been Dying To Tell You*?

Linda Bellingham

69. The BWF is the governing body of which sport?

Badminton (Badminton World Federation)

70. Whose recent autobiography was entitled *When the Laughter Stops 1951–2014*?

Robin Williams [see note 7](#)

Second Written Round

71. The Maiwand Lion is a sculpture and war memorial in the Forbury Gardens, a public park in which English town?

Reading

72. Who became the Labour MP for Hampstead and Highgate in 1992?

Glenda Jackson

73. Which Irish novelist was personal assistant of actor Henry Irving and business manager of the Lyceum Theatre in London?

Bram Stoker

74. Who first came to notice in a TV commercial for Kellogg's Fruit 'n Fibre breakfast cereal before playing Graham Lodsworth in *Emmerdale Farm*?

Ross Kemp

75. Branded the 'eternal Booker bridesmaid', who was shortlisted five times for the Man Booker prize between 1973 and 1998 but never won?

Beryl Bainbridge

76. If *feline* is cat-like what is *ranine*?

Frog-like [see note 8](#)

77. Which Oxford college did Margaret Thatcher attend?

Somerville

78. In *The Simpsons* episode *They Saved Lisa's Brain*, who saves Lisa from the power-hungry Springfield chapter of Mensa?

Stephen Hawking [see note 9](#)

79. Sixways Stadium is the home ground of which English Premiership rugby union team?

Worcester Warriors [see note 10](#)

80. In which military campaign did Lewis Halliday and Basil Guy win Victoria Crosses in 1900?

The Boxer Rebellion

Spares

1. In April 1997 which actor was appointed Ambassador of the Bahamas to Japan?

Sidney Poitier

2. In which decade did compulsory driving testing begin?

1930s (1935) [see note 11](#)

3. What character did Caroline Quentin play in *Men Behaving Badly*?

Dorothy

4. Which is the world's smallest flightless bird?

Kiwi see note 12

5. Who said 'The history of the world is but the biography of great men'?

Thomas Carlyle

Notes

1. All four are models of Ford engine (the Valencia is a re-designed variant of the Kent). Three of the four names also relate to Ford (Europe) manufacturing plants, but there is no Ford factory in Kent.
2. This question would probably have been better avoided, or more leeway allowed on the answer, as there are a number of interpretations on the correct answer, depending on exactly which 'colours' are referred to. According to the University's [visual identity guidelines](#) the three colours are grey, purple and yellow (pantone 123). Their [web style guide](#), on the other hand, has four colours: purple, grey, black and yellow. On the other, other hand the [academic dress regulations](#) refer to only black, purple and gold. Therefore it would seem prudent to accept either 'gold' or 'yellow' as a correct answer to this question.
3. When asking for a specific shade of a colour (e.g. 'burgundy' rather than just 'red') it is probably advisable to include the word 'specifically' in the question.
4. All question setters are reminded that paired questions should be of similar difficulty and that teams have only 30 seconds to come up with an answer.
5. Some sources give Blackbeard's real name as Edward Thatch, which appears to be an alternative acceptable answer.
6. 'Wire sculpture' or 'wire wrap jewellery' also seem to be correct answers.
7. As the title would suggest, the book is not an **autobiography**; it is a biography by Emily Herbert.
8. 'Toad-like' is an equally acceptable answer.
9. Stephen Hawking saves Lisa from an 'angry mob', rather than from Mensa.
10. Worcester Warriors are no longer a Premiership team. They were relegated at the end of the 2013–14 season and now play in the Greene King IPA Championship.
11. The question refers to driving tests in the UK. France was the first country to introduce a test, in 1893.
12. As everybody knows, the world's smallest (extant) flightless bird is the [Inaccessible Island rail](#).

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