

## LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2015

### QUESTIONS BY THE SUN & CASTLE

#### First Verbal Round [see note 4](#)

1. Which British author wrote fourteen James Bond novels, including *GoldenEye*, *Death is Forever* and *Win, Lose or Die*, in an attempt to revive the stories of Ian Fleming's world-renowned spy?  
**John Gardner**
2. Name either of the two teams promoted from the Conference Premier Division to League Two of the Football League at the end of the 2014-2015 season.  
**Barnet or Bristol Rovers**
3. What's Peppa Pig's teddy bear called?  
**Teddy**
4. Which composer's second symphony is known as *The Resurrection*?  
**Gustav Mahler**
5. Which driver won back-to-back F1 championships in 1998 and 1999?  
**Mika Häkkinen**
6. Which US President appears on a 25 cent coin?  
**George Washington**
7. Which fruit, in pureed form, is added to sparkling wine to make a Bellini cocktail?  
**Peach**
8. Which bird is also known as the stormcock?  
**Mistle Thrush**
9. Which male artist got to number one in 1975 with *Tears On My Pillow*?  
**Johnny Nash**
10. Who, according to Winston Churchill was 'the bullfrog of the Pontine marshes'?  
**Benito Mussolini**
11. Which US President appears on a 50 cent coin?  
**John F. Kennedy**
12. Which island is the most densely populated of the EU member states – it joined in 2004?  
**Malta**
13. Talc is a silicate of which metal?  
**Magnesium**
14. What's *Family Guy*'s Stewie Griffin's teddy bear called?  
**Rupert**
15. Which composer wrote the ballet *Romeo and Juliet*?  
**Sergei Prokofiev**
16. Which driver won back-to-back F1 championships in 2005 and 2006?  
**Fernando Alonso**

17. Which bird is also known as the landrail?  
**Corncrake**
18. Which fruit, in pureed form, is added to sparkling wine to make a Rossini cocktail?  
**Strawberry**
19. Who, according to Winston Churchill, was 'a sheep in sheep's clothing'?  
**Clement Atlee**
20. Which male artist got to number one in 1974 with *Annie's Song*?  
**John Denver**
21. Which Scandinavian country is the least densely populated of the EU member states – it joined in 1995?  
**Finland**
22. Malachite is a carbonate of which metal?  
**Copper**
23. Which Archbishop of Canterbury christened Princes William and Harry in the 1980s?  
**Robert Runcie**
24. The basin of the Orinoco river makes up about four-fifths of which country?  
**Venezuela**
25. Calvera is the villain in which classic western?  
***The Magnificent Seven***
26. Which children's author created the absent-minded Professor Branestawm and his friend Colonel Dedshott of the Catapult Cavaliers?  
**Norman Hunter**
27. Which Archbishop of Canterbury christened Prince Charles in 1948?  
**Geoffrey Fisher**
28. In which US state does the Mississippi river empty into the Gulf of Mexico?  
**Louisiana**
29. In which classic Western does Marshal Will Kane await the arrival of criminal Frank Miller by train?  
***High Noon***
30. Who wrote and illustrated the children's book *Where the Wild Things Are*?  
**Maurice Sendak**

### First Written Round – **THERE IS A THEME**

31. Name the character played by Jason Isaacs in the *Harry Potter* series of films?  
**Lucius Malfoy**
32. Which war, part of The Thirty Years War, ran from 1627 to 1629 and was fought mainly at sea?  
**Anglo-French War**
33. Which company, with HQ at 100 Victoria Embankment, London, is celebrating the quincentenary of its founding next year?  
**Royal Mail**

34. During World War II how were the steel vessels *Admiral Graf Spee*, *Admiral Scheer* and *Lutzow* of the German fleet generally known?

**Pocket Battleships**

35. Which memoir by Henri Charrière, first published in 1969, was later made into a successful film in 1973?

**Papillon**

36. Which series, first aired on the BBC in 1961, featured Peter Jones and Miriam Karlin as the lead characters?

**The Rag Trade**

37. Which product began TV advertising with Sooty in 1955 followed by actress Mary Holland portraying perfect housewife Katie in 1958?

**Oxo**

38. What is the common name of the medium- sized deciduous tree of Europe and Asia whose scientific name is *Betula pendula*?

**Silver Birch**

39. Which mountain at the western end of the Grampians, near to Fort William, rises to 1344m above sea level?

**Ben Nevis**

40. Which event in Rio de Janeiro in 1992 was officially known as the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development?

**Earth Summit**

**Theme is Grand National-winning horses**

## Second Verbal Round

41. Which Canary Island's airport is also known as El Matorral Airport?

**Fuerteventura**

42. Which footballer has scored the most own goals in the English Premier League?

**Richard Dunne**

43. Which all-female rock group, founded in the 1970s had the late Kelly Johnson (guitar) and Denise Dufort (drums) as band members?

**Girlschool**

44. Lake Okeechobee is the largest lake in which US state?

**Florida**

45. Dylan McGrath and Nick Munier are the judges in which country's version of *Masterchef*?

**Ireland**

46. Which Canary Island's airport is also known as Aeropuerto de los Cangrejos?

**El Hierro**

47. Which goalkeeper holds the Premier League record for most consecutive appearances (310)?

**Brad Friedel**

48. Which all-female rock group, founded in the 1970s had the late Sandy West (drums) and Lita Ford (guitar) as band members?

**The Runaways**

49. Yellowstone Lake is the largest lake in which US state?

**Wyoming**

50. Gary Mehigan, George Calombaris and Matt Preston are judges in which country's version of *Masterchef*?

**Australia**

51. What song title links a 1986 single A side by The Smiths and the B side of the 1975 Goodies single *Black Pudding Bertha*?

**Panic**

52. In the 1960s TV series *Batman*, which actor played Egghead?

**Vincent Price**

53. Which author wrote the short story *A Sound of Thunder* which used the 'butterfly effect' time paradox?

**Ray Bradbury**

54. Which infamous occultist, poet and novelist (1875–1947) is said to have inspired the character Mocata in Dennis Wheatley's novel *The Devil Rides Out*?

**Aleister Crowley**

55. Which professional TV quizzer won the *Mastermind* final in 1995? Their specialist subjects included Martin Luther King Jr and the Zulu War.

**Kevin Ashman**

56. What song title links a 1980 single by Joy Division and a 1984 single by Russ Abbot?

**Atmosphere**

57. In the 1960s TV series *Batman*, which actor played the Bookworm?

**Roddy McDowall**

58. Which author wrote the short story *By His Bootstraps* which used the 'bootstrap' time paradox?

**Robert Heinlein**

59. Which infamous spy, alchemist and astrologer (1527–1608) is said to have inspired the character Prospero in Shakespeare's *The Tempest*?

**Dr John Dee**

60. Which professional TV quizzer won the *Mastermind* final in 2004? Their specialist subjects included UEFA Champions League finals since 1970 and FA cup finals since 1970.

**Shaun Wallace**

61. Name either of the two teams relegated from the Football League to the National League at the end of the 2014-2015 season.

**Cheltenham Town or Tranmere Rovers**

62. Which American author was born in 1933, died in 1982 and had a successful literary career with works such as *Grendel*, *October Light* and *Mickelsson's Ghosts*?

**John Gardner** see note 1

63. In Greek mythology, who was the Queen of the Underworld?

**Persephone**

64. Who is the host of Radio 4's news magazine *PM*?

**Eddie Mair** see note 2

65. As at 04/11/2015, who is General Secretary of the TUC?

**Frances O'Grady**

66. In Greek mythology, what was the name of Odysseus' son?

**Telemachus**

67. There are currently two female presenters of Radio 4's *Today* programme. One is Mishal Hussein; name the other.

**Sarah Montague**

68. As at 04/11/2015, who is the Director of Public Prosecutions?

**Alison Saunders**

69. Who was the first celebrity voted off this year's *Strictly Come Dancing*?

**Iwan Thomas**

70. Who was his professional dance partner?

**Ola Jordan**

## Second Written Round

71. The so-called *Craftsman's Play* is often referred to as 'a play within a play' and takes up most of Act V Scene I of which of Shakespeare's works?

**A Midsummer Night's Dream** see note 3

72. What modern musical instrument is directly descended from the sackbut?

**The trombone**

73. Through how many African countries does the Congo Rainforest subsist?

**Six**

74. Which band came second on the Progressive Rock Charts in September 2015 with their album *Drones*?

**Muse**

75. The matriarch of 28 Barbary Lane, Anna Madrigal, features in which iconic series of novels?

**Tales of the City** (by Armistead Maupin)

76. Of which country is Proton the national car manufacturer?

**Malaysia**

77. What is the capital city of Namibia?

**Windhoek**

78. Who wrote the play *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, in which minor characters from *Hamlet* take the title roles and Hamlet is a bit part?

**Tom Stoppard**

79. On independence, Kazakhstan became the world's biggest landlocked country. Which nation held that title prior to that time?

**Mongolia**

80. Which footballer scored a record six hat-tricks in English Division One in the 1960–61 season?

**Jimmy Greaves**

## Spares

1. Which member of the cat family is its biggest representative in the Americas and third biggest worldwide after lions and tigers?

**Jaguar**

2. The State Duma is the lower house of parliament of which major nation?

**Russia**

3. Which multi-talented US Secretary of War was also a physician and a botanist after whom a well-known Christmas flower is named?

**Joel Poinsett** (Poinsettia)

4. The ravens Huginn and Muninn sat on whose shoulders in myth?

**Odin's**

5. What is generally reckoned to be the world's costliest precious metal by weight, with annual world production less than 30 tonnes?

**Rhodium**

## Notes

1. This is not the same John Gardner as in Question 1.
2. 'Carolyn Quinn' is also an acceptable answer.
3. The play performed by the craftsmen in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is usually referred to as *Pyramus and Thisbe*.
4. All question setters are reminded to double-check pairing. In questions 23-30 one team got both halves of each pair.

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