LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2018 QUESTIONS BY RAILWAY FLIERS

First Verbal Round

1. Which actor played Captain Frank Furillo in the TV series Hill Street Blues?

Daniel J. Travanti

2. What is the highest capital city in the world?

La Paz (Bolivia)

3. Paul Heaton had number one hits in December 1986 and October 1990 with two different groups. Name them.

Housemartins and Beautiful South

4. Which Shakespearean character says 'that which we call a rose, By any other name would smell as sweet'?

Juliet

5. What animal is depicted on the flag of California?

Bear

6. Omagh is in which Northern Ireland county?

Tyrone

7. What does the acronym NASA stand for?

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

8. David Bowie had number one hits in November 1981 and September 1985 with two different artists/groups. Name them.

Queen and Mick Jagger

9. What is the most densely populated capital city in the world?

Dhaka (Bangladesh) see note 1

10. Who played the bartender Woody Boyd in the TV sitcom Cheers?

Woody Harrelson

11. Which Shakespearean character says 'Neither a borrower nor a lender be'?

Polonius

12. What animal is depicted on the flag of Sri Lanka?

Lion

13. Coleraine is in which Northern Ireland county?

Londonderry/Derry

14. Who was principal conductor of the Berlin Philharmonic from 1956–1989?

Herbert von Karajan

15. Which actor (full name) played Worzel Gummidge in the children's TV series?

Jon Pertwee

16. Who directed the 2008 film In Bruges?

Martin McDonagh

17. Sarah Vine, the *Daily Mail* columnist, is the wife of which politician?

Michael Gove

18. What is the name of the Indian restaurant in EastEnders?

Argee Bhaji see note 2

19. In the film and TV series what was Blue Thunder?

A helicopter

20. Which element is named after a Greek king, whose punishment was to stand up to his neck in water, which receded when he tried to drink it, and with fruits overhead that the wind took away when he tried to grasp them?

Tantalum

21. Which company with revenues of \$482 billion was number one in the Fortune 500 global list in 2016?

Walmart

22. Jon Pertwee, Leslie Philips and Stephen Murray were the principal actors in which BBC radio programme?

The Navy Lark

23. In which town and state are the 'Three Billboards' in the 2018 film directed by Martin McDonagh located?

Ebbing, Missouri

24. Marina Wheeler QC is the wife of which politician?

Boris Johnson

25. Which fictional brewery supplies beer to the Rovers Return in Coronation Street?

Newton & Ridley

26. What is the name of the helicopter in the children's books written by Sarah Ferguson, the Duchess of York?

Budgie

27. Which element is named after a daughter of Tantalus, whose fourteen children were killed by the gods, after which she was transformed into a stone?

Niobium

28. What does the acronym NAFTA stand for?

North American Free Trade Agreement

29. Who was principal conductor of the Hallé Orchestra from 1943 – 1968?

Sir John Barbirolli

30. Which was the first British company in the 2016 Fortune 500 global list, at number twelve with revenues of \$186 billion?

BP

First Written Round THERE IS A THEME

31. The Roman historian Tacitus wrote a monograph about his father-in-law, who was Governor of Britain from 77 to 85 AD. What was his name?

(Gnaeus Julius) Agricola

32. Who lost to John Higgins in the 2011 Snooker World Championship?

Judd Trump see note 3

33. Who was the Prime Minister of Israel from 1981 to 1983?

Menachem Begin

34. In Greek mythology Acis was in love with which sea-nymph?

Galatea

35. What is the second-largest city by population in North Carolina?

Raleigh

36. Who was President of FIFA from 1998 to 2015?

Sepp Blatter

37. Who composed the operas Robert le Diable, Les Huguenots and L'Africaine?

Giacomo Meyerbeer

38. Chocoholic, glitz and Oxbridge are examples of what type of word?

Portmanteau

39. Which author created the eccentric detective Nero Wolfe?

Rex Stout

40. In The Lord of the Rings which river flows between the Shire and Buckland?

Brandywine

Theme: answers contain a drink of some kind: Cola, rum, gin, tea, ale, latte, beer, port, stout and brandy/wine

Second Verbal Round

41. Which former Test cricketer was Bishop of Liverpool from 1975 to 1997?

David Sheppard

42. Who created the TV sitcom Till Death Us Do Part?

Jonny Speight

43. The National Trust property Lytes Cary Manor is located in which English county?

Somerset

44. In the concourse of Lime Street Station there are two statues; of whom?

Ken Dodd and Bessie Braddock

45. Who co-hosts The Danny Baker Show with Danny Baker on Radio 5 Live?

Louise Pepper

46. Which retail chain, founded by Malcolm Billington, opened its first shop in Cleveleys, Lancashire in 1978?

B & M

47. What year? The farthing ceased to be legal tender; Mrs Bandaranaike became the world's first elected female head of government; Aneurin Bevan died.

1960

48. Who had a UK number one hit in 1960 with Running Bear?

Johnny Preston

49. The fresco painting by Michelangelo of the Creation of Adam can be found on the ceiling of which building?

Sistine Chapel

50. Which Scottish Rugby international and Olympic medallist died in 1945 while interned in the Weihsien internment camp in China?

Eric Liddell

Who wrote the novels Stamboul Train, The Power and The Glory and The Ministry of Fear? 51. **Graham Greene** 52. The National Trust property Waddesdon Manor is situated in which English county? Buckinghamshire 53. A statue of whom is located at St Pancras station? Sir John Betjeman Which famous mural painting can be found in the refectory of the Convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan? The Last Supper Who created the TV sitcom Only Fools and Horses? 55. David Sullivan see note 4 56. The Horn Dance takes place every September in which Midlands village? **Abbots Bromley** 57. Which long-distance footpath runs from Sedbury Cliffs to Prestatyn? Offa's Dyke see note 5 58. Which French region contains the départements of Aisne, Oise and Somme? Picardy see note 6 What fish is salted and cold-smoked to produce Manx kippers? 59. Herring 60. Who hosts the programme Fighting Talk on Radio 5 Live?

Colin Murray

61. Which French region contains the départements of Dordogne, Gironde and Landes?

Aquitaine see note 6

62. Which English monarch was excommunicated in 1570 by Pope Pius V?

Elizabeth I

63. Who had a UK number one hit in January 1961 with Poetry in Motion?

Johnny Tillotson

64. Which fish is salted and hot-smoked to produce Arbroath smokies?

Haddock

65. Which retail chain, whose headquarters are in Knowsley, was founded by John Hargreaves in 1985?

Matalan

66. Which Derbyshire village is at the southern end of the Pennine Way?

Edale

67. Which English monarch was excommunicated by Pope Clement VII in 1533 and by Pope Paul III in 1538?

Henry VIII

68. What year? The brass threepenny coin ceased to be legal tender; Idi Amin deposed Milton Obote and became President of Uganda; the Democratic Unionist Party was formed in Northern Ireland.

1971

69. What festival is held on May Day in Padstow, Cornwall?

Hobby Horse ('Obby 'Oss)

70. Who wrote the novels Black Mischief, Scoop and A Handful of Dust?

Evelyn Waugh

Second Written Round

71. Since the 2002-2003 season the title of English Rugby Union champion has gone to the winner of a knockout competition. Of the twelve teams currently in the Aviva Premiership four have never won the championship under this format; name them.

Bath, Gloucester, London Irish and Worcester see note 7

72. Only three men have ever won the VC and Bar (i.e. two Victoria Crosses). Name one of them.

One from: Charles Upham, Noel Chavasse or Arthur Martin-Leake

73. What are the names of the four Inns of Court?

Lincoln's Inn, Middle Temple, Inner Temple and Gray's Inn

74. What links the island of Carrick-a-Rede in Northern Ireland to the mainland?

A rope bridge

75. Who resigned as the BBC China Editor this year, citing unfair gender salaries?

Carrie Gracie

76. White Scar Cave is in which English county?

Yorkshire see note 8

77. Who won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actor in the film Bridge of Spies?

Mark Rylance

78. Which Italian politician was murdered by the Red Brigade in 1978?

Aldo Moro

79. What was the nationality of Vitus Bering, after whom the Bering Straits are named?

Danish

80. The Estonian composer Arvo Pärt wrote a Cantus to mourn which composer who died in 1976?

Benjamin Britten

Spares

Which Roman Emperor retired to the island of Capri in the first century AD?

Tiberius (full name Tiberius Claudius Nero)

2. Dedicated to Rudolph of Austria, the Archduke Trio is a work by which composer?

Ludwig van Beethoven

3. Which Greek poet described the dawn as being 'rosy-fingered' and the sea as 'wine-dark'?

Homer

4. Which militant group was founded by Bobby Seale and Huey Newton in 1966?

Black Panthers

5. What word links biscuits, a Major League baseball team and a song written by Lance-Sergeant Harry Pynn, who was with the 78th Infantry Division just south of Bologna, Italy?

Dodgers (Jammy Dodgers, Los Angeles Dodgers, D-Day Dodgers)

6. Which Democratic Candidate did Richard Nixon defeat in the 1968 US Presidential election?

Hubert Humphrey

Notes

- According to most sources the population density of Dhaka is (a distant) second to that of the Filipino capital, Manila.
- 2. The restaurant has been closed since 2015.
- 3. Rather importantly the word 'final' is missing from the question.
- 4. Only Fools and Horses was written by John Sullivan (David Sullivan is a co-owner of West Ham United).
- 5. A more complete/accurate answer is Offa's Dyke <u>Path</u>, which is not quite the same thing as Offa's Dyke. Although a lot of the course of both is shared, the twentieth century path is longer and reaches Prestatyn, whereas the eighth century Anglo-Saxon earthwork doesn't.
- Between 2014 and 2016 France re-organised its regions and reduced the number from 22 to 13 (not including overseas territories). The region formerly known as Picardy is now part of the newly-created *Hauts-de-France*.
 Similarly, the region formerly known as Aquitaine is now part of *Nouvelle-Aquitaine*.
- 7. As pointed out by a Mr Jeskins of Heaton Moor, there are **five** teams currently in the Premiership that have yet to win the title under the new format: the four given plus Newcastle Falcons, who won their only championship in 1998.
- 8. An equally-acceptable and arguably better answer is 'North Yorkshire'.

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