

**LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 23 JANUARY
QUESTIONS BY LITTLE HORSE & FARRIER**

First Verbal Round

1. What is the first name of Batman's mother and Superman's adoptive mother?
Martha
2. For which country does Rangers footballer Alfredo Merelos play?
Colombia
3. Born in 1939, how is singer and songwriter Reg Smith better known?
Marty Wilde
4. Which actor is the half-brother of William Russell, the Lord Mayor of London?
Damian Lewis
5. If the two largest angles of a parallelogram are each 140 degrees, what is the size of the two smallest angles?
Each is 40 degrees
6. All the members of OPEC except two are located on the African and Asian continents. Which two countries are the exceptions?
Venezuela and Ecuador see note 1
7. How long is a ten pin bowling lane in feet?
60 feet
8. Who, in c.1687, first calculated the speed of sound?
Isaac Newton
9. Which architect designed the Bilbao Guggenheim Gallery?
Frank Gehry
10. Which rank in the Royal Navy is immediately below Captain?
Commander
11. Who is currently President of Sinn Féin?
Mary Lou McDonald
12. Ossetra and Sevruga are both examples of what?
Caviar
13. In the 2007 film *Mr Bean's Holiday*, which country is his destination?
France
14. The oldest alliance in the world, ratified in 1386 at the Treaty of Windsor, allies England with which other country?
Portugal
15. Stephen Cottrell has been appointed to take up which post in June 2020?
Archbishop of York
16. Who was the Greek god of the sky?
Uranus (Zeus is also acceptable)

17. What is tested for by the Marsh Test?

Arsenic

18. After the opening of the Trafford Park Line extension in April of this year, how many stations will there be in total on the Metrolink system?

99

19. What is the name of the earliest known English poet?

Cædmon

20. In the film *The Maltese Falcon* who is Sam Spade's partner who is murdered early in the plot?

Miles Archer

21. What was the first labour of Heracles?

Slaying the Nemean lion

22. Who in 1936 was the first *Time Woman of the Year*?

Wallis Simpson

23. What is the second-longest river in South America?

Paraná

24. Which is the oldest Christian monastic order?

Benedictines [see note 2](#)

25. Give a year in the life of Caravaggio.

1571–1610

26. Which geological period occurred immediately before the Devonian period?

Silurian period

27. How did Fallon Sherrock make history in December 2019?

First female to beat a male in a major darts championship

28. Which constituency (in full) does Boris Johnson represent?

Uxbridge and South Ruislip

29. How were the group of historical, scriptural and legendary personages chosen to personify the ideals of chivalry known?

The Nine Worthies

30. Formula One driver Ayrton Senna won three World Championships. Provide two of the three years.

Any two from: **1988, 1990 and 1991**

First Written Round [There is a theme \(with a little licence for spelling in one of the answers\)](#)

31. Which boxing weight has an upper limit of 53.5kg?

Bantamweight

32. In astronomy what is the name given to a tightly packed group of stars packed within a larger formation?

Bulge

33. Designed by Frank Barnwell, which light bomber first flew in April 1935 and owes its origin to Lord Rothermere's request to the aviation industry to build a high-speed passenger carrying aircraft?

Bristol Blenheim

34. What was the name of the TV reporter known for presenting *Rough Guide* and *Young, Gifted and Broke*? She died last year aged 61. Full name required.

Magenta Devine

35. What is the name of the currency used in Uzbekistan?

Som

36. Which was the last ground to host an FA cup final immediately before the old Wembley was used in 1923?

Stamford Bridge

37. In which Agatha Christie novel are the characters Linnet Doyle and Jacqueline de Bellefort central to the plot?

Murder on the Nile

38. Who won the Copa Libertadores in 2018?

River Plate

39. What was the name of the Russian submarine that sank in the Barents Sea in 2000?

Kursk

40. As of 2019 which is the most populous city in Saxony?

Leipzig

Theme is battles

(Bantam, The Bulge, Blenheim, Magenta, Somme, Stamford Bridge, Nile, River Plate, Kursk, Leipzig)

Second Verbal Round

41. On which ship was the Beaufort wind speed scale first used after being officially adopted?

HMS Beagle

42. What is the system of musical tuning in which the frequency interval between every pair of adjacent notes has the same ratio?

Equal Temperament

43. In astronomy what are Haumea, Makemake and Eris?

Dwarf planets

44. Who earlier this season scored Manchester United's 2000th Premiership goal?

Scott McTominay

45. Which school of landscape painters, which counted Millet amongst its leaders, was centred in a village near the Forest of Fontainebleau?

Barbizon School

46. Mount Rainier is the highest peak in which US mountain range?

Cascade Range (or Cascades)

47. The existence of what was proposed by Wolfgang Pauli in 1933 and not discovered until 1956 at Los Alamos?

Neutrino

48. Who is said to have caught Christ's blood in the Holy Grail and also to have founded the first church at Glastonbury?

Joseph of Arimathea

49. In which year was the road speed limit in England raised to 20 mph? (Two year leeway)

1903 (accept 1901 to 1905)

50. Which architect designed the Liverpool Anglican cathedral and the iconic red phone box?
Giles Gilbert Scott
51. What is the symbol of St John the Evangelist?
An eagle
52. What type of musical instrument is Lady Blunt?
Violin ([see here](#) if you're wondering)
53. What 1982 novel begins 'You better not never tell nobody but God. It'd kill your mammy'?
The Color Purple
54. Ian Black at 17 was the youngest winner of *Sports Personality of the Year*. In which sport?
Swimming
55. With which particular field of physics were Oersted and Ampere associated?
Electro-magnetism
56. What is the first name mentioned in the song *Mambo No. 5* by Lou Bega?
Angela
57. What is the third-largest island in the British Isles?
Lewis and Harris (do NOT accept just 'Lewis')
58. Of which type of art is Bridget Riley a leading exponent?
Optical Art (also accept 'Op Art')
59. In a standard National Lottery draw (i.e. not a roll-down), what is the prize for getting five numbers without the bonus number?
£1,750
60. After last month's general election how many female MPs are there (allow 5 each way)?
220 (accept 215 to 225)
61. Where is the true location of *Death in Paradise* filming?
Guadeloupe
62. In the Chinese zodiac which year comes between monkey & dog?
Rooster (also accept 'chicken')
63. Which tree has varieties common, sessile, holm and turkey?
Oak
64. What is the name of the 10th century anthology of Anglo-Saxon poetry named for the English city in which it is held?
Exeter Book
65. What did the California Perfume Company change its name to in 1959?
Avon
66. What was the name of the typhoon in Japan that affected the Rugby Union World Cup, causing three games to be cancelled, including England v France?
Hagibis
67. Which part of the human body takes its name from the Latin for *basin*?
Pelvis

68. Who was chained to a rock and rescued by Perseus?
Andromeda
69. In which century was the Bank of England founded?
Seventeenth (1694)
70. The London Underground system's most southerly station is to be found on which line?
Northern Line (Morden)

Second Written Round

71. Which popular fruit has variety names such as Bing, Lambert, and Royal Ann?
Cherry
72. The world's largest nocturnal primate, the Aye Aye, is native to which country?
Madagascar
73. In October of what year did the CD player first become commercially available (1 year leeway)
1982 (accept 1981 to 1983)
74. Which major entertainment business has its HQ at Los Gatos, California?
Netflix
75. In the banking industry what does the acronym SEPA stand for?
Single Euro Payments Area
76. The word *palaver* meaning idle talk and unnecessary work and trouble, was absorbed into English from which language?
Portuguese
77. Prior to the completion and opening of The Shard in London in 2012, the two tallest buildings in the EU were both found in which central European city?
Frankfurt
78. What is the most populated city north of the Arctic Circle?
Murmansk
79. Who was founder of the Carolingian dynasty and grandfather of Charlemagne?
Charles Martel
80. Which country's aircraft are registered with the prefix A7?
Qatar

Spares

1. In how many of the thirty (not counting compilations) *Carry On* films did Barbara Windsor appear?
Nine
2. The Alcock and Brown Memorial at Manchester Airport is by which sculptor?
Elizabeth Frink
3. The novel *Tom Swift and his Electric Rifle* published in 1911, is notable for inspiring the name of which weapon?
Taser (loose acronym)

4. What type of creature is a *bandy-bandy*?

Snake

5. How far from the dart board must a player stand, to the nearest inch?

7 feet 9 inches

Notes

1. Ecuador ceased to be a member of OPEC on 1 January 2020.
2. In the fourth century AD Saint Pachomius established monasteries in Egypt under the Pachomian rule, which pre-dates the Benedictine Order. However the Benedictines are the oldest order **still in existence**.