

**KNOCKOUT MATCHES THURSDAY 30 JANUARY 2020**  
**QUESTIONS BY MIKE BATH**

**First Verbal Round**

1. In Dickens' *Great Expectations* which character turned out to be Estella's father?  
**Abel Magwitch**
2. Which Football League football club dropped the word 'The' from its name in 1929 in favour of the name of the city in which it is based?  
**Sheffield Wednesday**
3. Which chemical element has a name that means 'heavy stone'?  
**Tungsten**
4. What does the Greek phrase '*Kyrie eleison*' mean in English?  
**'Lord have mercy'**
5. Pencils are classified using the letters 'H' and 'B'. In this context for what does the letter 'B' stand?  
**Blackness**
6. In David Lean's 1965 film *Doctor Zhivago* which American actor played the part of Victor Ipolitovich Komarovskiy, Lara's lover at the start of the film? His subsequent film role in 1967 was in a film directed by Norman Jewison for which he won a Best Actor Oscar.  
**Rod Steiger** (the following film was *In the Heat of the Night*)
7. In the children's nursery rhyme *Who Killed Cock Robin?* which bird dug the grave?  
**The Owl** ('*Who'll dig his grave? I, said the Owl, with my little trowel, I'll dig his grave*')
8. In France they use the word *ouistiti*, which translates to mean 'marmoset' in English; in Bulgaria it is the word *zele*, which translates to 'cabbage'; in Korea it is *kimchi*, a traditional vegetarian dish and in India it is *paneer*. What word do we use in English?  
**Cheese** (as in what you say when you have your photograph taken)
9. Which book's title is said to have been translated into Japanese as meaning the equivalent of *The Angry Raisins*?  
**The Grapes of Wrath**
10. What is the name of the main railway station in the centre of Hull?  
**Hull Paragon**
11. What is the everyday name for the medical condition known as *podagra*?  
**Gout**
12. Which single word connects a metal with the atomic number of 46 and a large entertainment venue on Argyll Street in the West End of London?  
**Palladium**
13. Who created the TV drama *Line of Duty* for the BBC?  
**Jed Mercurio**
14. Prior to transmission of the very first edition of *Coronation Street* Granada TV decided to switch the name of the street to 'Coronation' from what original name?  
**Florizel (Street)** (apparently a Granada tea lady said the name sounded too much like a brand of disinfectant)

15. What role does Al Pacino play in Martin Scorsese's film *The Irishman*?

**Jimmy Hoffa** (Teamster Union boss)

16. What was the surname of the popular Liberal MP for Truro who was reckoned by many to be a frontrunner for the position of party leader and who died in a car accident in 1986?

**David Penhaligon**

17. Which 15-a-side game involves smashing a *sliotar* around trying to get it between the opposition's goalposts either above or below the bar?

**Hurling**

18. Before the 1960s, when dialling London phone numbers the specific exchange within London used to be signified by three digits equating to the fingerhole on the dial of each of their first three characters (with the first fingerhole not used and the last fingerhole being exclusively used for the letter 'O'). So, for instance, the exchange ABBey was dialled as 222. What exchange was dialled as 944?

**WHltehall**

19. When the time is 1450 what question is asked in a small village near Cambridge – according to a famous poem?

**'Is there honey still for tea?'** (from *The Old Vicarage at Grantchester* by Rupert Brooke)

20. What name was given to the series of 1980s crimes involving violence and intimidation that led to Strathclyde police being nicknamed the 'Serious Chimes Squad'?

**Ice Cream Wars**

21. What station comes between Hale and Mobberley on the Manchester to Chester railway line?

**Ashley**

22. Which organ in the upper part of the abdomen is responsible for filtering out ageing or imperfect blood cells and other debris from the bloodstream?

**Spleen**

23. Which **specific** part of the British Isles lies closest to the coast of France?

**Alderney** **see note 1**

24. What started with *Me at the Zoo* in 2005 created by co-founder Jawed Karim, a former employee of the internet company PayPal?

**YouTube**

25. What is the name of the Director of the *Up* series of ITV documentaries shot every seven years, recording the lives of fourteen children of the 1950s?

**Michael Apted**

26. Which leader lives in the Potala Palace but hasn't spent a night there since 1959?

**Dalai Lama**

27. What is the name of the German federal state that has Potsdam as its capital? Its name is probably best known as part of the title of a series of musical pieces.

**Brandenburg** (*Brandenburg Concertos* by Bach)

28. Which football club is nicknamed 'The Glovers'?

**Yeovil Town**

29. What word derived from the Latin words for 'hair' and 'flax' is the name for a nineteenth century article of women's clothing?

**Crinoline**

30. What did Steve Harris form in Leyton, East London in 1975?

**Iron Maiden** (the heavy metal band)

## First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME- – ‘A Clear and Obvious Round’**

31. Which well-known historical location takes its name from the Latin word meaning ‘skull’?  
**Calvary** (from *calvarius* meaning ‘skull’ in Latin)
32. In the Oscars for films released in 1950 nominations included William Holden as Best Actor and Billy Wilder as Best Director for the same film. What was it?  
**Sunset Boulevard**
33. Who is the young hero of Sir Walter Scott’s poem *Marmion*?  
**Lochinvar**
34. Between the ninth and the nineteenth centuries what was the name of the kingdom that straddled the Pyrenees with its capital at Pamplona?  
**Navarre**
35. Which is the third largest city in Bulgaria and the largest to be situated on the Black Sea coast?  
**Varna**
36. Which famous political figure was born in Rosario, Argentina in 1928, the grandson of Irishman Patrick Lynch and died on the same continent 38 years later?  
**Che Guevara**
37. Which famous luthier was born in 1644 in Cremona and died 93 years later in the same city?  
**Antonio Stradivari** (a luthier is a maker of stringed instruments)
38. What type of hat is named after a character in Dickens’ *Barnaby Rudge*?  
**Dolly Varden**
39. Established in 1636, partly as a result of a bequest from a clergyman and Cambridge University alumnus, what was the name of the world-famous academic institution based in the heart of Cambridge?  
**Harvard** (based in Cambridge, Massachusetts)
40. Which well-known footballer started his career with Stocksbridge Park Steels before going on to play for FC Halifax Town, Fleetwood Town and then eventually his national side?  
**Jamie Vardy** (currently at Leicester City)

**Theme: ‘A clear and obvious error’ is the justification for the use of VAR in Premiership football matches. Each answer contains the consecutive letters ‘V-A-R’ (was *supposed to be* the justification for VAR – disgruntled Ed.)**

## Second Verbal Round

41. On 23 February 1945 Ira Hayes, Franklin Sousley, Michael Strank, John Bradley, Rene Gagnon and Harlon Block were famously depicted by Joe Rosenthal struggling with a flagpole. Where were they?  
**Iwo Jima** **see note 2**
42. Which star from *The Lord of the Rings* film trilogy also played Captain Haddock in Steven Spielberg’s *The Adventures of Tintin*?  
**Andy Serkis**
43. Which weapon would be used by an *arbalest*?  
**Crossbow**
44. Every good philosophy student should know the Danish word for churchyard. What is it?  
**Kierkegaard**

45. The name of which element is believed by some to have been derived from the case of multiple poisoning in a fifteenth century French monastery?

**Antimony** (*anti-moine* in French meaning 'anti-monk')

46. Which is the only London mainline railway terminus that does not have an underground station named after it?

**Fenchurch Street**

47. Which Scottish League football club play at the Bayview Stadium, Methil?

**East Fife**

48. If you saw a business of hobs, jills and kits what animals would you be looking at?

**Ferrets**

49. Who won the 1991 Best Actor Oscar despite being on screen for a fraction over 16 minutes – the shortest performance ever to win this award?

**Anthony Hopkins** (as Hannibal Lecter in *Silence of the Lambs*)

50. The African song *Mbube* was originally a big hit in what is now known as Swaziland, but English lyrics were not added until 1961, when it became a US number one hit for The Tokens. Since then it has reached the UK charts three times, getting to number one for Tight Fit in 1982. What does the Zulu word 'Mbube' mean?

**Lion** (as in *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*, also known as *Wimoweh*)

51. Which part of the body gets its name from being the breadth of twelve fingers?

**Duodenum**

52. Which Lake District fell has the same surname as the MP who represented the City of Chester between 1992 and 1997 and is now ubiquitous on TV and radio?

**Brandreth**

53. What is the acronym that stands for the Greek words that mean 'National Organisation of Cypriot fighters'?

**EOKA**

54. In the language spoken by the people of Malawi what is the word for 'lake'?

**Nyasa** **see note 3**

55. Which novel is being described here?

*Historical fiction - it is set around eighteenth century Scottish events, notably the Appin Murder, which occurred near Ballachulish in 1752 in the aftermath of the Jacobite Rising. Many of the characters, and one of the principals, Alan Breck Stewart, were real people.*

**Kidnapped**

56. In sport what French word meaning literally 'fishing out again', applies to a stage in a tournament when previously eliminated contestants compete again?

**Repechage**

57. Ignoring the regnal number, Kings with what name have collectively ruled for the longest period since 1066 in England and (after the Act of Union) the UK?

**Henry**

58. London postal districts start with one or other of six of the eight points of the compass (as in SW14 for example). Apart from 'S' which other point is missing?

**NE** (which is already 'taken' by Newcastle-upon-Tyne)

59. Which best-selling book, first published in 1972 and billed as a 'gourmet guide', was originally divided into three sections called: 'Starters: the Basic Ingredients', 'Main Courses Which Everyone Needs' and 'Sauces and Pickles for Special Occasions'?

**The Joy of Sex**

60. If you wanted to get a ferry from the Scottish mainland to Stornoway in the Outer Hebrides which port would you go from?

**Ullapool**

61. Which English town lost six (the great majority) of its defining landmarks in the Great Hurricane of 1987?

**Sevenoaks**

62. Which well-known twentieth century literary figure is commemorated by a blue plaque attached to the outside of the former headquarters of the publisher Faber & Faber in Russell Square, London?

**T. S. Eliot** (he was a Director of Faber & Faber for many years)

63. Which quotation from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was the title of the 1957 film starring Dirk Bogarde that concerned the work of SOE agents in German-occupied Crete during World War II?

***Ill Met by Moonlight***

64. *Petit Gris* and *Bourgogne* are varieties of which foodstuff?

**Snails**

65. Which Indian state's name means 'Northern Province' in English and has its capital at Lucknow?

**Uttar Pradesh**

66. Which Roman historian was responsible for the book *Ab Urbe Condita*, a complete history of Rome from the city's foundation up to the reign of the Emperor Augustus?

**Livy**

67. Which musical instrument gets its English name from the French for 'loud wood'?

**Oboe** (from *haut bois*)

68. In the men's version of this sport there are ten players on each side; in the women's version there are twelve players a side and they play on a slightly bigger pitch. What is the sport?

**Lacrosse**

69. Which 1969 film features two lead characters called Captain America and Billy?

***Easy Rider***

70. In children's literature which character, with a French accent, insults a man with a big nose as well as an overweight woman? To the woman he says "*Fatty!, you're supposed to eat the things in the fridge, not the fridge as well!*"

**Mr Rude** (from the *Mr Men* series)

## Second Written Round

71. In area and population which is the smallest country ever to have won the Football World Cup final?

**Uruguay**

72. In *Trumpton*, what was the name of the town clerk?

**Mr Troop**

73. Armando, S'Express and The Shamen are leading exponents of which type of music?

**Acid house**

74. What is the official currency of Vietnam called?

**Dong**

75. Which country is bordered by Latvia to the north, Belarus to the east and south, Poland to the south and Russia to the southwest?

**Lithuania**

76. In which French *département* were the D-Day landings?

**Calvados**

77. In which English cathedral city was Dr Samuel Johnson born?

**Lichfield**

78. Who released the album *Favourite Worst Nightmare* in 2007?

**Arctic Monkeys**

79. According to playwright Euripides, a Greek General buried his treasure under his tent. What did the Delphic Oracle advise those who were seeking it after the General was defeated in battle?

**Leave no stone unturned**

80. The name of which food dish derives from the Catalan word for *pan*?

**Paella**

### Additional Written Round (for use in the event of a tie) – a *Tenable*-style round

In any order, and up to and including 2019, name the last ten politicians officially designated 'Deputy Leader of the Labour Party'.

- 1 Tom Watson (2015-2019)
- 2 Harriet Harman (2007-2015)
- 3 John Prescott (1994-2007)
- 4 Margaret Beckett (1992-1994)
- 5 Roy Hattersley (1983-1992)
- 6 Denis Healey (1980-1983)
- 7 Michael Foot (1976-1980)
- 8 Edward Short (1972-1976)
- 9 Roy Jenkins (1970-1972)
- 10 George Brown (1960-1970)

### Tie-breaker

How many of the 50 US States are larger in area than the total area of the UK?

**Eleven** (area of the UK is 93,630 square miles)

### Notes

1. It is not **universally** agreed that the Channel Islands are part of the British Isles. They usually are lexicographically and politically, but geographically the Channel Islands are an archipelago that was once part of continental Europe. If the Channel Islands are excluded, the nearest point to France would be the Franco-British border in the Eurotunnel.
2. The flag was raised on the summit of Mount Suribachi, which is also an acceptable answer.
3. As English is one of the country's official languages and is therefore 'spoken by the people of Malawi', this would make 'lake' an acceptable answer!