

**INTER-DIVISIONAL MATCHES THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY
QUESTIONS BY TOM LORD (HATTERS ARMS)**

First Verbal Round

1. The stories *The Shadow Line* and *The Typhoon* were written by which author?
Joseph Conrad
2. In which sport would you hear the term 'finger peg'?
Bowls
3. The Rye House Plot was against which English monarch?
Charles II
4. Newport in South Wales stands on which river?
River Usk [see note 1](#)
5. Give a year in the life of Georg Frederic Handel.
1685–1759
6. The eustachian tube can be found where in the human body
In the ear
7. In the book and TV series *The Tales of Para Handy*, what was the name of the boat?
The Vital Spark
8. Two famous ships, both now museums, are moored in the harbour at Dundee. Name either of them.
RRS Discovery or HMS Unicorn (one of the world's oldest warships)
9. Lords and The Oval are two of the first three Test grounds to open in England. Which was the third?
Old Trafford
10. Who was the Roman God of poetry, music and the sun?
Apollo
11. Which pop group said *Should I Stay or Should I Go??*
The Clash [see note 2](#)
12. M. C. Beaton writes crime novels with two different crime solvers. Hamish Macbeth is one, who is the other?
Agatha Raisin
13. What title did George Thomas take after retiring from the position of Speaker of the House of Commons?
Lord Tonypandy [see pedantic note 3](#)
14. Who played Elliot Ness in the original TV series of *The Untouchables*?
Robert Stack
15. Who headlined Glastonbury Pop Festival in 2019 on the Friday evening?
Stormzy
16. Which battle involving British troops took place on 11 September 1709?
Malplaquet

17. This geological feature is situated in the Western Desert of Egypt below sea level. Its floor is covered with salt pans, sand dunes and salt marshes. What is its name?

The Qattara Depression

18. Which act fronted by Siobhan Fahey had a huge hit with *Stay* in 1992?

Shakespears Sister

19. Henry Winstanley was responsible for designing and constructing what type of building?

Lighthouse

20. Which famous New York jazz club was located on 142nd Street and Lenox Avenue in Harlem from 1923 to 1935?

The Cotton Club

21. Which manufacturer, now thought of as enlightened for his time, was the owner of the New Lanark mills?

Robert Owen

22. Which novelist said "*If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything*"?

Mark Twain

23. The word *vespine* refers to what type of creature?

Wasp

24. From *The Bible* who is the author of the *Book of Revelation*, naming himself in the text?

John

25. What is the birthstone for the month of April?

Diamond see note 4

26. Who composed the piece of music entitled *Coronation March* from the opera *The Prophet*?

Giacomo Meyerbeer

27. Which Premiership Rugby Union club failed in 2019 to qualify for the Heineken Champions Cup for the first time?

Leicester Tigers

28. What is the character played by Sean Bean in *A Game Of Thrones*?

Eddard (or Ned) Stark

29. Apart from the floor and the beam which two other disciplines make up the ladies gymnastics in the Olympics?

Vault and asymmetric bars

30. Often used in case law what does the Latin term *res ipsa loquitur* mean?

'The thing speaks for itself'

First Written Round **There is a theme**

31. Anthony Ashley-Cooper was the second Earl of where in England?

Shaftesbury

32. Who led the British forces at the battle of Isandlwana in the Zulu wars?

Lord Chelmsford

33. In which castle did King John die?

Newark

34. Handley Page were the manufacturers of this bomber aircraft for the RAF, with its first flight in October 1939. What was its name?

Halifax

35. This former Tory MP for the constituency of Eddisbury in Cheshire defected to the Liberal Democrats prior to the December 2019 general election. Who is she?

Antoinette Sandbach

36. Sung to the Methodist hymn tune Cranbrook, with the words first appearing in 1916, this is a now a well-known English dialect song. What is it?

On Ilkley Moor Baht 'at

37. *Allium porrum* is the Latin name for which vegetable?

Leek

38. This American actress starred in *The Girl Can't Help It* (1956) and *Promises, Promises* (1963). Who was she?

Jayne Mansfield

39. Who painted *The Watering Place* and *The Market Cart*?

Thomas Gainsborough

40. What was the surname of the sisters Jo, Meg, Amy and Beth in 'Little Women'?

March

Theme: each answer is, or contains, the name of an English town

Second Verbal Round

41. *Celeste* is what shade of primary colour?

Blue

42. One of the very first Co-Operative Societies, formed in 1844 on Toad Lane, was named what?

The Rochdale Pioneers [see note 5](#)

43. What was the name of the island off the coast of New Zealand where a volcano erupted in December 2019?

White Island

44. A *Munster Plum* is what type of vegetable?

Potato

45. In a past TV advert, what 'stays sharp to the bottom of the glass'?

Harp (lager)

46. *Mons Meg* can be found at which castle?

Edinburgh (it is a famous old cannon)

47. There are two local breweries in New Mills in northwest Derbyshire. Name one of them.

Rock Mill or Torrside

48. Which James Bond film was predominantly set in India?

Octopussy

49. *Dromophobia* is a fear of what?

Crossing streets

50. Who played the Spanish Infanta in the first series of the TV *Blackadder* programmes?

Miriam Margolyes

51. A dish served *à la Crécy* is garnished with what?

Carrots

52. Whose scientific law states 'if an induced current flows, its direction is always such that it will oppose the change in the circuit or magnetic field which produced it'?

Emil Lenz

53. Hermione, Leontes and Perdita are characters from which Shakespeare play?

The Winter's Tale

54. Which freshwater fish has the Latin name *Esox lucius*?

Pike

55. In which English county will you find the NHS property Corfe Castle?

Dorset **see note 6**

56. In the Beatrix Potter books what type of animal is Timmy Tiptoes?

A squirrel

57. Who was the High Priest of Jerusalem who put Jesus on trial?

Caiaphas

58. Lady Nugee is better known by what other name?

Emily Thornberry (Labour front-bencher)

59. Who wrote the book *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus*?

John Gray

60. Which horse and jockey partnership won the Gold Cup at Royal Ascot in 2019 for a second successive season?

Stradivarius and Frank Dettori

61. Who was the father of King Alfred?

Aethelwulf

62. Who is currently President of the European Commission?

Ursula von der Leyen

63. The Potwell Inn features in which English novel?

The History of Mr Polly

64. In which European country would find a region called Masuria?

Poland

65. Who was the first leader of the Brexit party?

Caroline Blaiklock **see note 7**

66. Which Scottish quarter day takes place on 2 February?

Candlemas

67. Which English dance group had a UK number one with a song called *Let Me Be Your Fantasy*, when it was re-released in 1994?

Baby D

68. What book has the opening lines *Mother died today or maybe yesterday, I can't be sure?*
The Stranger (by Albert Camus)
69. Sapphire Jones is a character by which famous ex-glamour model?
Katie Price (also accept 'Jordan')
70. Which constituency did Jo Swinson represent prior to the December 2019 election?
East Dunbartonshire

Second Written Round

71. What is the meaning of the art term *impasto*?
Thickly applied layers of paint.
72. What is a more common name for the disease *variola*?
Smallpox
73. The Night Riviera sleeper train, one of only two sleeper trains left in the UK, runs from London to which station?
Penzance
74. If you were on a boat going through Blisworth Tunnel, which canal would you be on?
Grand Union
75. What was John Wayne's last film?
The Shootist
76. The character Mrs Todgers appears in which Charles Dickens novel?
Martin Chuzzlewit
77. The spice *mace* grows around the outside of which other spice?
Nutmeg
78. Which northern Football League team plays its home games at Moor Lane, also known as the Peninsula Stadium?
Salford City
79. *The Drinking Song*, otherwise known as *Brindisi*, features in which opera?
La Traviata **see note 8**
80. In the food world what is known as *affinage*?
The art of maturation and ageing of cheese

Spares

1. Who played Sheriff J. W. Pepper in the James Bond films *Live and Let Die* and *The Man with the Golden Gun*?
Clifton James
2. In what year was the first man made object sent into space?
1957
3. Which classic confectionery made in Wigan is said to 'keep you all aglow'?
Uncle Joe's Mint Balls
4. In the Wallace and Gromit episode *A Close Shave*, who voiced the character Wendolene Ramsbottom?
Anne Reid

5. Which soft, brown, combustible sedimentary rock is often referred to as 'brown coal'?

Lignite

6. Edward Craven Walker invented what classic 1960's decorative fashionable icon?

Lava lamp

Notes

1. 'River Ebbw' is also an acceptable answer

2. It might have been better to include the word 'first' in the question, as numerous other artists have recorded versions of *Should I Stay or Should I Go?*, among them The Icicle Works, The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain and (the delightfully-named) Bloco Vomit. For an exhaustive list [see this page](#).

3. More accurately/correctly, his official title was (*1st*) *Viscount Tonypany of Rhondda in the County of Mid Glamorgan*.

4. 'Rock crystal' is also an acceptable answer.

5. The correct name is 'The Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers'. They were commonly known as 'The Rochdale Pioneers', which is also the title of a 2012 film about the society.

6. Without wishing to start a political debate about health service funding, it is safe to say that the NHS has yet to be reduced to treating people in 11th century ruins. Corfe Castle is, of course, owned by the National Trust rather than the NHS.

7. Her forename is Catherine, not Caroline.

8. The correct name of the song in the opera is *Libiamo ne' lieti calici* (*Let's Drink from the Joyful Cups*).

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