

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2019
QUESTIONS BY TRAVELLERS CALL

First Verbal Round

1. Which Dickens novel features the villainous Daniel Quilp?
The Old Curiosity Shop
2. In which Irish county is the Blarney Stone situated?
Cork
3. Which car manufacturer produces a model called the *Tarraco*?
SEAT
4. The Royal **Mail** issued a set of 'A to Z' 10 pence pieces in 2018. What is represented by the 'H' coin?
Houses of Parliament [see note 1](#)
5. Who will be the captain of the GB and Europe team at the 2020 Ryder Cup?
Pádraig Harrington [see pedantic note 2](#)
6. Who was the director of the 1957 film *The Seventh Sea*?
Ingmar Bergman
7. Seen on its vehicle licence plates, *The Treasure State* is the nickname of which US state?
Montana
8. In cookery, the word *veronique* in a recipe indicates the presence of which ingredient?
Grapes
9. In terms of picture imaging, the word *pixel* is a contraction of which two other words?
Picture Element
10. *King of the Ridge*, *Pacer* and *Telegraph* are varieties of which vegetable?
Cucumber
11. Which girl group had UK number one singles entitled *Whole Again* and *Eternal Flame*?
Atomic Kitten
12. The film *Bullitt* is set in which US city?
San Francisco [see note 3](#)
13. 7, Race Course Road is the official residence of which country's Prime Minister?
India [see note 4](#)
14. In *Fawlty Towers*, what is the surname of the Major who is a permanent resident of the hotel?
Major Gowen
15. In which city was the composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart born?
Salzburg
16. In which city did the composer George Frideric Handel die?
London

17. In *Fawlty Towers*, what is the surname of either of the spinsters who are permanent residents of the hotel?
Miss Gatsby or Miss Tibbs
18. 'The Lodge' is the official residence of which country's Prime Minister?
Australia
19. The film *Goodfellas* is set in which US city?
New York
- 20.. Which girl group has had UK number one singles entitled *Rollercoaster* and *Blame It On The Weatherman*?
B*Witched
21. *Greyhound*, *Quickstep* and *Rear Guard* are varieties of which vegetable?
Cabbage
22. In terms of information storage, the word *bit* is a contraction of which two other words?
Binary Digit
23. In cookery the word *florentine* in a recipe signifies the inclusion of which ingredient?
Spinach
24. Seen on its licence plates, *The Silver State* is a nickname of which US state?
Nevada
25. Who was the director of the 1960 film *La Dolce Vita*?
Federico Fellini
26. Who will be the captain of the USA team at the 2020 Ryder Cup?
Steve Stricker
27. The Royal Mint issued a set of 'A to Z' 10 pence pieces in 2018. What is represented by the letter 'S' coin?
Stonehenge
- 28.. Which car manufacturer produces a model called the *Niro*?
Kia
29. In which (Northern) Irish county is the Giant's Causeway situated?
Antrim
30. Which Dickens novel features the saintly Esther Summerson?
Bleak House

First Written Round **THERE IS A THEME**

31. Which route connects Brig in Switzerland with Domodossola in Italy?
The Simplon Pass (also accept 'Simplon Tunnel')
32. A process which led to the establishment of the Geneva Convention and the International Red Cross took place as a result of which battle of 1859?
Solferino
33. Which neighbourhood on the Westside of Los Angeles is home to the Hannah Carter Japanese Garden? It shares its name with a Chevrolet car model produced from 1950 to 1981.
Bel Air

34. Which is the second longest river in Europe?

The Danube

35. With Joey Tempest on vocals, which band, who had their only UK number one single in 1986, also had UK hits with *Rock The Night* and *Carrie*?

Europe

36. At 3,404 metres (11,168 feet) Aneto is the highest peak in which European mountain range?

The Pyrenees

37. Which 2019 Sky One TV serial stars Mark Strong as a surgeon who treats dangerous and desperate patients in his illegal underground clinic?

Temple

38. Published in September 2008, what is the title of the first Terry Pratchett non-*Discworld* novel since 1996? Its central characters are Ermintrude and Mau, who survive a tsunami.

Nation

39. Which French novelist, playwright and journalist, who lived from 1840 to 1902, wrote the books *Thérèse Raquin*, *Germinal* and *Nana*?

Émile Zola

40. At 202 feet 4 inches long, with a wingspan of 84 feet, which aircraft was powered by four Rolls-Royce/Snecma Olympus 593 engines, giving it a top speed of 1,353 mph?

Concorde

Theme: All the answers contain the name of a station on the Paris Métro

(Simplon, Solférino, Bel-Air, Danube, Europe, Pyrénées, Temple, Nation, Avenue Émile Zola, Concorde)

Second Verbal Round

41. Swartland, Robertson and Oliphants River Valley are wine-growing areas in which country?

South Africa

42. What codename has been given to the UK government's civil contingency planning in the event of a 'No Deal' Brexit?

Yellowhammer

43. Which spirit is found in a Bosom Caresser cocktail?

Brandy see note 5

44. Fun 88 are the current shirt sponsors of which premiership football club?

Newcastle United

45. Which classic Broadway musical contains the song *Anything You Can Do (I Can Do Better)*?

Annie Get Your Gun

46. Which denomination US dollar note features Andrew Jackson on the front and the White House on the back?

Twenty dollars

47. What type of creature is a *margay*?

A cat

48. Which country is bordered only by Panama and Nicaragua?

Costa Rica

49. In which English city would you find Foregate Street railway station?
Worcester
50. In which year did Led Zeppelin release their first album in the UK?
1969
51. As at 6 November 2019, who was Leader of the House of Commons?
Jacob Rees-Mogg
52. Although now situated some way outside the city centre, what is the name of the main hospital in Cambridge?
Addenbrooke's
53. In which English county is the National Trust property Basildon Park situated?
Berkshire
54. Give a year in the life of the American poet Emily Dickinson.
1830–1886
55. Which British bird has the Latin name *Buteo buteo*?
(Common) **Buzzard**
56. Which British bird has the Latin name *Dendrocopos major*?
Great spotted woodpecker
57. Give a year in the life of the British poet Edward Thomas.
1878–1917
58. In which English county is the National Trust property Montacute House situated?
Somerset
59. What is the name of the laboratory in Cambridge where Crick and Watson discovered the structure of DNA in 1956?
The Cavendish Laboratory
60. As at 6 November 2019, who was Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster?
Michael Gove
61. In which year did Pink Floyd release their first album in the UK?
1967
62. In which English city would you find Snow Hill railway station?
Birmingham
63. Which country is bordered only by Romania and Ukraine?
Moldova
64. What type of creature is a *chuckwalla*?
A lizard
65. Which denomination US dollar note features Ulysses S. Grant on the front and the US Capitol on the back?
Fifty dollars
66. Which classic Broadway musical contains the song *Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'*?
Oklahoma!

67. LD Sports are the current shirt sponsors of which premiership football club?

Southampton

68. Which spirit is found in a Trouser Rouser cocktail?

Whisky see note 5

69. What codename has been given to the government's plan to repatriate stranded Thomas Cook passengers? see note 6

Matterhorn

70. Barossa, Clare and Eden Valley are wine-growing areas in which country?

Australia

Second Written Round

71. The latest Asterix book, *Asterix and the Chieftain's Daughter*, was published in Europe last month. What is the name of the chieftain's daughter?

Adrenalin

72. The artist J. M. W. Turner will be featured on the new £20 note to be issued next year. For what names do the initials J, M, and W stand?

Joseph Mallord William

73. The two towers at the west end of Westminster Abbey were built much later than the rest of the Abbey. Who was their architect?

Nicholas Hawksmoor

74. The Kelham Island brewery is situated in which city?

Sheffield

75. The 500th anniversary of which artist's death was commemorated by an issue of stamps by the Royal Mail earlier this year?

Leonardo da Vinci

76. Which World War 2 battle, described by one authority as 'the biggest land battle in history', took place in the USSR in July-August 1943?

The Battle of Kursk

77. The controversial businessman (Sir) Philip Green is Chairman of which retail group, owned by his wife?

Arcadia

78. As at 5 November 2019, the Green Party of England and Wales has joint leaders. Please name either.

Jonathan Bartley or **Sian Berry**

79. The Phase 1 Report of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry has recently been published. Who is the Chairman of the Inquiry?

Sir Martin Moore-Bick

80. Alfred Wainwright, apart from writing his famous guides to the Lake District, had a day job from 1948 to 1967 as Borough Treasurer of which north western town?

Blackburn see note 7

Spares

1. What is the highest point in the Brecon Beacons National Park?
Pen y Fan (886 metres)
2. Which Italian composer wrote the opera *The Girl of the Golden West*?
Giacomo Puccini
3. Name either of the joint winners of the 2019 Booker Prize
Margaret Atwood or Bernadine Evaristo
4. The old imperial city of Regensburg is situated in which German state?
Bavaria
5. Which British Prime Minister was responsible for the repeal of the Corn Laws in 1846?
Sir Robert Peel
6. What is the capital of Zambia?
Lusaka

Notes

1. Presumably a typing brainfart: obviously coins are issued by the Royal Mint, rather than by the Royal Mail.
2. The correct name of the team is just 'Europe'.
3. Whilst almost entirely set in San Francisco, other locations do appear, such as Chicago which features briefly at the start of the movie.
4. Race Course Road was re-named as 'Lok Kalyan Marg' in 2016.
5. Neither of these cocktails are listed by the International Bartenders Association.
6. Operation Matterhorn was planned by the UK Civil Aviation Authority, not the Government.
7. From 1948 until his retirement in 1967 Wainwright was Borough Treasurer for **Kendal**, not Blackburn.