

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2022
QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

1. Stockport County's Edgeley Park ground recorded its record attendance of 27,833 for a fifth round FA Cup tie in February 1950. Which team were the visitors?

Liverpool

2. The first full-scale military engagement of the English Civil War was the Battle of Edgehill in 1642. In which county did the battle take place?

Warwickshire

3. Which Oscar-winning American film director's works include *Cocoon*, *Backdraft*, *Apollo 13* and *A Beautiful Mind*?

Ron Howard

4. Give a year in the life of Henry Cavendish, the English natural philosopher and scientist who discovered hydrogen.

1731 to 1810

5. Which English singer/songwriter/musician has also produced works under the pseudonyms Fireman, Apollo C. Vermouth and Percy 'Thrills' Thrillington?

Paul McCartney

6. At 628 metres Green Hill is the highest point in which English county?

Lancashire

7. The synthetic chemical element with atomic number 107 and represented by the symbol Bh is named after which scientist, who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1922?

Niels Bohr (Bohrium)

8. In which Lake District hamlet on the River Leven at the southern end of Windermere could you stay at The Swan Hotel and Spa?

Newby Bridge

9. *Different Trains* and *Drumming* are works by which American contemporary classical composer?

Steve Reich

10. In an alphabetical list which is the first of the fifty state capitals of the USA?

Albany (New York)

11. Eleanor of Provence was married to which thirteenth century English King?

Henry II see note 1

12. Which British writer and designer has presented Channel 4's *Grand Designs* since 1999?

Kevin McCloud

13. Florence Nightingale Graham, who founded a cosmetics company under the name Elizabeth Arden, was born in which country?

Canada

14. In 1974 which city became the first non-capital city to host the FIFA World Cup final?

Munich

15. What was the nationality of the group Pussycat, who had a 1976 UK number one with *Mississippi*?

Dutch

16. What was the nationality of the singer Sylvia, who had a 1974 UK top ten hit with the song *Y Viva España*?
Swedish
17. In 1904 which American city became the first non-European host of the Olympic Games?
St Louis
18. Max Factor, founder of the cosmetics company, was born in which modern-day country?
Poland
19. Which British furniture restorer previously presented *Money For Nothing* and is now the lead presenter/foreman of BBC TV's *The Repair Shop*?
Jay Blades
20. Philippa of Hainault was married to which fourteenth century English King?
Edward III
21. Which city is the only US state capital with a population greater than one million?
Phoenix (Arizona)
22. *Woolff Works* and *Sleep* are works by which British contemporary classical composer?
Max Richter
23. In which Lake District town could you dine at The Old Stamp House, recognised by *Tripadvisor* in July 2021 as the best restaurant in the world.
Ambleside
24. The synthetic chemical element with atomic number 112 and represented by the symbol Cn is named after which scientist and polymath of the 15th and 16th centuries?
Nicolaus Copernicus (Copernicium)
25. Which peak between Macclesfield and Buxton is the highest point in Cheshire?
Shining Tor
26. On a 1986 single release which British band credited the backing vocals to the fictitious Ann Coates? The voice was actually that of the lead singer digitally altered to a higher pitch.
The Smiths (on *Bigmouth Strikes Again*)
27. Give a year in the life of John Dalton, the English scientist who was largely responsible for introducing atomic theory to the study of chemistry.
1766 to 1844
28. Which Oscar-winning British film director's works include *American Beauty*, *Road to Perdition*, *Skyfall* and *1917*?
Sam Mendes
29. The Battle of the Boyne in 1690 was fought approximately four miles to the west of which town?
Drogheda
30. Opened in 1877 and with a current capacity of just over 40,000 which is the oldest stadium in the English Premier League?
Stamford Bridge (also accept 'Chelsea')

First Written Round NO THEME

31. Which city will host the 2024 Olympic Games?

Paris

32. In the current series of ITV's *The Masked Singer*, which former Wimbledon champion appeared as Bagpipes and was eliminated in Episode 4?

Pat Cash

33. The stage production *Girl from the North Country* is a jukebox musical based on the works of which singer?

Bob Dylan

34. What name is shared by a former head of state of Chile, the character who speaks the opening words of *Hamlet* and a current Manchester City player.

Bernardo (Bernardo O'Higgins, Bernardo, Bernardo Silva)

35. Used as an analytical chemical technique to separate the components of a mixture, for what does the abbreviation *TLC* stand?

Thin layer chromatography

36. Referred to as "The Day the Music Died", this day in 1959 saw the deaths of Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and "The Big Bopper" in an air crash. In which US state did the accident happen?

Iowa

37. Which Netflix comedy-drama, currently in its third series, tells the story of local newspaper journalist Tony Johnson as he struggles to come to terms with the death of his wife Lisa?

After Life

38. In which town in Greater Manchester does the Manchester United Women's team play home games?

Leigh (Leigh Sports Village)

39. In 1903 who became the first female recipient of a Nobel Prize?

Marie Curie

40. Robert Galbraith, author of the *Cormoran Strike* crime fiction series, is the pen name of which much better known writer?

J. K. Rowling

Second Verbal Round

41. Who directed the 2021 coming-of-age film *Belfast*?

Kenneth Branagh

42. Which 'boy band' released the albums *Progress*, *Beautiful World* and *The Circus*?

Take That

43. Who composed the opera *La Gazza Ladra* (*The Thieving Magpie*) which premiered in 1817?

Gioachino Rossini

44. Which British comedian and broadcaster has recently completed a *Big American Road Trip* on Channel 4 in which she travelled through California and Colorado in a campervan?

Sue Perkins

45. Which 1990 film starring James Caan and Kathy Bates was based on a 1987 novel by Stephen King?

Misery

46. Born in 1922, which writer's works include *Breakfast of Champions*, *Cat's Cradle* and *Slaughterhouse-Five*?

Kurt Vonnegut

47. Give any year in the life of Russian Tsar Ivan IV, also known as 'Ivan the Terrible'.

1530 to 1584

48. What common name is usually given to the 180 or so species of flowering plant that belong to the genus *Lonicera*?

Honeysuckles

49. What is the name of the Swedish-owned island that is the largest in the Baltic Sea?

Gotland

50. In 1991 which city replaced Lagos as the capital of Nigeria?

Abuja

51. *Hurricane* and *Isis* are songs that originally appeared on which studio album by Bob Dylan?

Desire

52. Which Scottish football team plays home games at East End Park?

Dunfermline Athletic

53. Name this year in sport: Andy Murray won his second Wimbledon Men's Singles title, Rule the World won the Grand National and Leicester City were crowned Premier League champions.

2016

54. Button House is the principal setting for which BBC TV comedy that was first broadcast in 2019?

Ghosts

55. The *Javelin* was an executive car produced from 1947 to 1953 by which UK car company?

Jowett

56. The *Javelin* was an interceptor aircraft that served the RAF from the mid-1950s to the late 1960s. Which UK manufacturer produced it?

Gloster (Aircraft Company)

57. The fictional Cotswolds village of Kempleford is the principal setting for which BBC TV drama?

Father Brown

58. Name this year in sport: Lancashire won the County Championship for the first time since 1950, Pour Moi won the Epsom Derby and Manchester City beat Stoke City in the FA Cup Final.

2011

59. Which Scottish football team plays home games at Somerset Park?

Ayr United

60. *Like A Hurricane* and *Homegrown* are songs that originally appeared on which studio album by Neil Young?

American Stars 'n' Bars

61. In 1996 which city was replaced by Dodoma as the nation's capital?

Dar Es Salaam (Tanzania)

62. What is the largest and most populous of the islands of the Philippines?

Luzon

63. What common name is usually given to the 20 or so species of flowering plant that belong to the genus *Galanthus*?

Snowdrops

64. Give any year in the life of Russian Tsar Peter I, also known as Peter the Great.

1672 to 1725

65. Born in 1922, which writer's works include *Stanley and the Women*, *The Old Devils* and *Lucky Jim*?

Kingsley Amis

66. Which 1976 film starring John Travolta and Sissy Spacek was based on a 1974 novel by Stephen King?

Carrie

67. Which British comedian and broadcaster has presented shows on Channel 5 in which she tours the UK in a campervan called 'Helen'?

Susan Calman

68. Who composed the opera *Rigoletto* which premiered in 1851?

Giuseppe Verdi

69. Which 'boy band' released the albums *Face to Face*, *Turnaround* and *Coast to Coast*?

Westlife

70. Who directed the 2021 cinema remake of *West Side Story*?

Steven Spielberg

Second Written Round NO THEME

71. Which spirit is the main alcoholic ingredient of a Mai Tai cocktail?

Rum

72. To within five years give the year in which Mount Tambora in Indonesia suffered the largest volcanic eruption in recorded history. The volume of ash ejected into the atmosphere resulted in the following year being known as 'The Year Without a Summer', with widespread famine in Europe and North America.

1815 (accept 1810 to 1820)

73. Who wrote the 1962 novel *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*?

Ken Kesey

74. As at 26 January 2022 who is Vice President of the USA?

Kamala Harris

75. Which extremely rare event comes next in this list?

Bogey, Par, Birdie, Eagle, Albatross...

A one-word answer is required.

Condor (four under par for a hole in golf) Do not except 'triple eagle' or 'double albatross'

76. What is the largest city on the Japanese island of Hokkaido? It hosted the Winter Olympics of 1972.

Sapporo

77. Which nuts are traditionally used to decorate a Dundee cake?

Almonds

78. What is the number of the A road that, after the A9, is the second-longest in Scotland? It runs between Glasgow and Inverness, passing landmarks such as Loch Lomond, Glen Coe, Ben Nevis and Loch Ness.

A82

79. Alfred Lord Tennyson was born in 1809 in the village of Somersby in which English county?

Lincolnshire

80. Which animal that you might see in your garden has the scientific name *Sciurus carolinensis*?

Grey squirrel (accept 'squirrel')

Spares

1. Samuel Taylor Coleridge was born in 1772 in the village of Ottery St Mary in which English county?

Devon

2. *Viva Forever* was a jukebox musical based on the songs of the Spice Girls. It premiered in the West End in December 2012 and closed just seven months later after disastrous reviews and ticket sales. Which British comedian wrote it?

Jennifer Saunders

3. What is the common name of the mammal *Martes martes*?

Pine marten

4. Which two bands had UK hits with songs called *Angel Eyes* in 1979?

ABBA and Roxy Music

5. Which British author wrote the William Warwick series of detective novels?

Jeffrey Archer

6. Which is the only English county with two separate coastlines?

Devon

Notes

1. The correct answer is Henry III. Obviously a typo as Henry II, who was married to Eleanor of **Aquitaine**, was a twelfth century king.