

**LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2022
QUESTIONS BY RAILWAY TAVERNERS**

First Verbal Round

1. Who was captain of the England cricket team when Devon Malcolm took 9 wickets for 57 runs against South Africa in 1994?
Mike Atherton
2. In *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, who is the lepidopterist to whom 'there is more than meets the eye'?
Jack Stapleton
3. What is the name of the mythical African country where the Marvel Comics books featuring Black Panther are set?
Wakanda
4. On which body of water does the Ulster town of Killyleagh stand?
Strangford Lough
5. Which Spanish autonomous community borders Asturias, Castile-Léon and the Basque Country?
Cantabria
6. In P. G. Wodehouse's *Blandings* stories what was the name of the butler?
Sebastian Beach
7. In English law what crime do people commit if they steal and immediately before or at the time of doing so, and in order to do so, they use force on any person or put any person in fear of being subjected to force?
Robbery
8. 'Picket's Charge' led to considerable losses by Confederate forces during the Battle of Gettysburg. In which later battle did the equally costly 'Picket's Charge of the West' occur?
(Second) Battle of Franklin (Franklin, Tennessee)
9. The supermassive black hole at the centre of the Milky Way is known as what?
Sagittarius A*
10. What is the 'Mpemba effect'?
That water which is initially hot freezes faster than the same liquid which begins cold
11. In what year (± 5 years) did construction start on Hadrian's Wall?
122 CE/AD (accept 117 to 127)
12. What is the scientific name for a cloud formation that is colloquially known as *mares' tails*?
Cirrus **see note 1**
13. Keltie Hearts have been recently admitted to the Scottish Football League. In which historic Scottish county is the team based?
Fife
14. Which historic Scottish county is known as *The Wee County*?
Clackmannanshire
15. Which English University has a stag as a logo?
University of Surrey

16. Which English University has a Gorgon's head as a logo?

University of Bath

17. Which Scottish town is known as *The Lang Toun* (Long Town)?

Kirkcaldy

18. Cove Rangers have been recently admitted to the Scottish Football League. In which historic Scottish county is the team based?

Aberdeenshire

19. What, apart from fog and mist, is the lowest forming level of cloud?

Stratus

20. Give either of the two years of the Roman invasion of Britain under Julius Caesar?

55 or 54 BCE/BC

21. Where in transport is 'Bernoulli's effect' most commonly seen?

Aircraft wing lift (accept any flight-related description)

22. Which galaxy is scheduled to collide with the Milky Way in approximately 4.5 billion years?

Andromeda

23. Which major battle of the American Civil War, fought on the day immediately after Gettysburg, was won by Union Forces led by Ulysses S. Grant?

Vicksburg see note 2

24. In English law, what crime does a person commit if they enter a building as a trespasser with the intent of committing theft, grievous bodily harm or criminal damage?

Burglary

25. What is the first name of the P. G. Wodehouse creation, Jeeves?

Reginald or Reggie

26. Which Spanish autonomous community borders the Basque country, Navarre, Aragón and Castile-Léon?

La Rioja

27. Which Scottish port has replaced Stranraer as the destination of the passenger ferry sailing from Larne in Northern Ireland?

Cairnryan

28. Who played Black Panther in the 2018 film based on the Marvel Comics character of the same name?

Chadwick Boseman

29. In what year was the final Sherlock Holmes collection (*The Case-Book of Sherlock Holmes*) published - three years before Conan-Doyle's death?

1927

30. Who took the tenth wicket to complement Devon Malcolm's 9 for 57 performance in 1994?

Darren Gough

First Written Round **There is a theme**

31. Who is the only World Heavyweight boxing champion to retire undefeated?

Rocky Marciano

32. Who was given the title of First Duke of Bronté by the King of Naples and Sicily in 1789?

Admiral Nelson

33. What is the Norwegian word for 'day'?

Dag

34. What species of evergreen flowering plant in the family *Aquifoliaceae* is native to western and southern Europe, northwest Africa, and southwest Asia?

Holly

35. Which actor, born in Beirut in 1964, has an English mother and a father from Hawaii?

Keanu Reeves

36. Which US state capital is located in the South Platte River Valley just east of the Rocky Mountains?

Denver

37. Which US singer, one of the first country music artists to cross over into pop music, was born Virginia Patterson Hensley in 1932?

Patsy Cline

38. In January 1995 which Japanese city was struck by a powerful earthquake that damaged or destroyed about 100,000 buildings and killed more than 5,000 people?

Kobe

39. Who was the decorated wartime commander of PT-109 and PT-59?

John F. Kennedy

40. Who was the highly decorated World War 2 American serviceman who later became a successful Hollywood actor?

Audie Murphy

Theme is people who died in plane crashes

(Rocky Marciano, Ricky Nelson, Dag Hammarskjöld, Buddy Holly, Jim Reeves, John Denver, Kobe Bryant, John F. Kennedy, Audie Murphy)

Second Verbal Round

41. In which public buildings in the USA would you find Poster 7 displayed?

Post Offices (the rules and regulations of the Postal Service) **see note 3**

42. Which Commonwealth country is home to La Trobe University?

Australia (Melbourne)

43. Which subject did Tony Blair study at Oxford University?

Jurisprudence (accept 'Law')

44. In which town does Scottish Premier League football team Ross County play home games?

Dingwall

45. Margaret Thatcher worked briefly as a chemist in industry, but which post-World War 2 UK Prime Minister's father also worked in industry as a chemist?

Harold Wilson

46. What sporting defeat was shared by Jan Tinman of the Netherlands in 1993 and Gata Kamsky of the USA in 1996?

Runners up in the FIDE World Chess Championship (both losing to Anatoly Karpov)

47. In which sphere of music are Simon Fraser University (Vancouver), Field Marshall Montgomery (Belfast) and Laurence O'Toole (Dublin) leading exponents?

Pipe bands

48. In which two modern-day countries were members of the nonconformist sect the Brownists mainly based in the 1620s?

UK and USA (the Brownists were the majority of the Separatists on the *Mayflower*)

49. Two historic texts were addressed to Theophilus. Name either of them.

The Gospel of St Luke or The Acts of the Apostles

50. Which CEO of a major British company has a father who is a retired Admiral and a grandfather who was a Professor of Anatomy?

Emma Walmsley (GSK)

51. On which poet's gravestone can you read the words '*A little learning is a dangerous thing; Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring*'?

Alexander Pope [see note 4](#)

52. Who was the author of *The Wizard of Oz*?

L. Frank Baum

53. What was the name of the vessel in Agatha Christie's *Death on the Nile*?

Karnak

54. Which author lived in the 17th century house Batemans in Burwash, East Sussex?

Rudyard Kipling

55. The 1923 Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded jointly to Frederick Banting and John Macleod for what discovery?

Insulin

56. The 2010 Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded to Robert Edwards for the development of which procedure?

IVF (*in vitro* fertilisation, aka 'test tube babies')

57. Which grandson of Josiah Wedgwood lived in Down House near Bromley?

Charles Darwin

58. In which 19th century novel does the vessel *Pequod* appear?

Moby Dick

59. Who wrote *Coral Island*?

R. M. Ballantyne

60. On which poet's gravestone can you read the words '*Cast a cold Eye on Life, on Death Horseman pass by*'?

W. B. Yeats

61. The Chief Executives of AstraZeneca and Pfizer both graduated in the same subject, in France and Greece respectively. What subject was it?

Veterinary Medicine (accept any Vet-related answer)

62. Which historic text has early manuscripts called *Hengwrt* and *Ellesmere*?

The Canterbury Tales

63. In which modern-day country was the dissident religious sect The Hussites founded in the early 15th century?

Czechia (or **Czech Republic**)

64. In which sphere of music are Eikanger-Bjørsvik (Norway), Valaisia (Switzerland) and Cory (South Wales) leading exponents?

Brass bands

65. In 1873 Oxford University suffered three major sporting defeats: in the Oxford/Cambridge Boat Race, the Oxford/Cambridge Rugby match and in what other event?

The FA Cup, where they were beaten finalists (by Wanderers).

66. Which two post-World War 2 UK Prime Ministers were the children of clergymen?

Gordon Brown and Theresa May

67. In which town does Scottish League 2 team Albion Rovers play home games?

Coatbridge

68. Name any two of the three post-World War 2 UK Prime Ministers who did not attend University.

Any two from: **Winston Churchill, James Callaghan and John Major**

69. Which Australian city is home to the main campus of Deakin University?

Geelong **see note 5**

70. What in the USA is covered by Amendment 2 of the Constitution?

The right to (keep and) bear arms **see note 3**

Second Written Round **There is a theme**

71. What is the name of Don Quixote's horse in the novel by Cervantes?

Rocinante

72. Which actress born in 1971 has been a Judge on *Britain's Got Talent* and currently co-hosts the Heart Breakfast radio show?

Joanna Lumley **see note 6**

73. Which Old Testament prophet, the third of the Minor Prophets, spoke against an increased disparity between the very wealthy and the very poor? His themes of justice, God's omnipotence and divine judgment became staples of prophecy.

Amos

74. Which Chinese communist revolutionary was the founding father of the People's Republic of China, which he ruled from its establishment in 1949?

Mao Zedong (obviously accept related spellings, or Chairman Mao)

75. Whose 'big band' had a hit with *Chattanooga Choo Choo* and played it in the film *Sun Valley Serenade*?

Glenn Miller

76. Which English city is home to the Spitfire St Lawrence county cricket ground?

Canterbury

77. Which Greek God was the mischievous god of love and constant companion of the goddess Aphrodite?

Eros

78. What is the largest of the solar system's moons?

Ganymede

79. What, according to the *Book of Job*, is a powerful grass-eating animal whose '*bones are tubes of bronze, his limbs like bars of iron*'?

Behemoth

80. In which Lincolnshire town will you find St Botolph's Church with a famous tower which is 272 feet high?
Boston (the Boston Stump)

Theme is *The Expanse* books and TV series [see note 7](#)

(Rocinante, the space ship in the series; James Holden, the captain of the ship; Amos Burton, a crew member; Julie Mao, became infected with the Protomolecule; Joe Miller, the investigator; *The Canterbury*, the ice harvesting spaceship; Eros, where the Protomolecule was allowed to spread through the population; Ganymede, the moon where a Protomolecule in human form is first seen by Bobby Draper; *Behemoth*, the re-named Mormon generational ship; Boston, the original home of Timmy aka Amos Burton)

Spares

- The island of Surtsey is the southernmost point of which European country?
Iceland
- What is the most widely planted type of tree in plantations around the world?
Eucalyptus
- Goya's painting of The Duke of Wellington in the National Gallery featured in the storyline of which 1962 film?
Dr No
- The Glasgow Humane Society founded in 1790 is the oldest institution of which type in the world?
Lifeboat service (accept lifesaving or similar)
- Which city is home to the world's northernmost metro system?
Helsinki
- Which well-known food product has its origins in a discovery made by the German chemist Justus von Liebig?
Oxo cubes

Notes

- There are five varieties of cirrus clouds. The specific form known as *mare's tails* is cirrus uncinus.
- There was no battle fought on 4 July 1863. Rather it saw the surrender of the Confederate garrison of Vicksburg following a siege that began almost two months earlier.
- The questions comprising a pair should be of similar/equal difficulty.
- These words do not appear on [Pope's gravestone](#), which is marked with a simple letter 'P'. A more descriptive brass tablet was added in 1962.
- Deakin University has campuses across several locations including Geelong, but the [main campus](#) and by far the largest in terms of student number is in the Melbourne suburb of Burwood.
- The correct and ever-so-slightly more plausible answer is 'Amanda Holden'.
- Almost certainly the most obscure/niche theme in the history of the quiz league, this is more of a distraction than an aid to answering the questions.