LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2022 QUESTIONS BY SUN & CASTLE

First Verbal Round

1. Which Stockport-born actor played Eric Morecambe in the 2011 TV programme Eric and Ernie?

Daniel Rigby

2. The National Trust property Calke Abbey is in which English county?

Derbyshire

3. What is the only letter not to appear in the periodic table? see note 1

J

4. In which winter Olympics did Eddie 'the Eagle' Edwards and the Jamaican bobsleigh team make headlines?

Calgary, 1988

5. In which Carry On film did Barbara Windsor first appear?

Carry On Spying

6. With fewer than 15,000 words, which is Shakespeare's shortest play?

The Comedy of Errors

7. Name the capital of the island nation St. Lucia.

Castries

8. Daylight saving time 2022 in United Kingdom will end at 02:00 on what date?

30 October

9. Who presents the podcast called Full Disclosure?

James O'Brien

10. Which rugby team plays its home matches at the Coventry Building Society Arena?

Wasps

11. The National Trust property Waddesdon Manor is in which English county?

Buckinghamshire

12. Astronomer Sir Patrick Moore died in which year?

2012

13. Including Beijing 2022, how many times has East Asia hosted the Winter Olympics?

Four (Beijing, Sapporo, Nagano and Pyeongchang)

14. Which Stockport-born actress played Tina Moore in the 2017 TV program Tina and Bobby?

Michelle Keegan

15. Which opera singer, who died in 2022, was married to Sir Peter Hall until their divorce in 1990 and is the mother of the actress Rebecca Hall?

Maria Ewing

16. Bronze is principally an alloy of which two metals?

Copper and Tin

17. In which sport is the Wheatcroft Trophy awarded.

Motorsport

18. Where in the body are the adrenal glands located?

Above the kidneys

19. How many tiles are there in a game of Scrabble?

100

20. In which Carry On film did Sid James first appear?

Carry On Constable

21. Which radio astronomer was founder and director of Jodrell Bank Observatory?

Sir Bernard Lovell

22. In which sport does Europe compete against the USA for the Weber Cup?

Ten-pin Bowling

23. Daylight saving time 2022 in the United Kingdom will begin at 01:00 on what date?

27 March see note 2

24. Name the capital of the island nation Dominica.

Roseau

25. Which rugby team plays its home games at the Twickenham Stoop Stadium?

Harlequins

26. Which well known board game gets its name from the Latin "I play"?

Ludo

27. With over 30,000 words, which is Shakespeare's longest play?

Hamlet

28. Who presents the podcast Full Contact?

Brian Moore

29. What condition is caused by the deposition of salts of uric acid?

Gout

30. Which opera singer, who died in 2018, was named after both the patron saint of Catalonia and a multi-peaked mountain range in the same region?

Montserrat Caballé (named after the Virgin of Montserrat)

First Written Round There Is a Theme (full names required where appropriate)

31. Who plays the evil nanny in the 1992 film The Hand That Rocks the Cradle?

Rebecca de Mornay

32. Which 1975 musical was written by John Lander and Frank Ebb and based on a play from 1926 about a crime reporter?

Chicago

33. Tapeworms, fleas and barnacles are examples of what type of organism?

Parasite

34. Terry's released a box of mixed milk and dark chocolates in the 1970's with what name?

Moonlight

35. What disaster happened in New York in 1929 and has occurred three times more recently?

Wall Street Crash

36. What was the last biplane used as a fighter by the RAF in the early years of World War 2?

Gloster Gladiator

37. In the military what subdivision of a Company, usually about 20 to 50 men, is commanded by a Subaltern or Lieutenant?

Platoon

38. How is Sir Thomas Woodward OBE more commonly known?

Tom Jones

39. Which superstar musician's albums include The Dream of the Blue Turtles and most recently The Bridge?
Sting

40. Ridley Scott was forced to use CGI images of which actor after he died during filming an epic in 1999?

Oliver Reed

Theme is winners of the Academy Award (Oscar) for Best Picture

(Rebecca, Chicago, Parasite, Moonlight, Crash, Gladiator, Platoon, Tom Jones, The Sting, Oliver!)

Second Verbal Round

41. Who replaced Sir Richard Lees as Leader of Manchester council following his retirement in December 2021?
Bev Craig

42. Along with the UK and the Republic of Ireland, who officially joined the EC on 1 January 1973?

Denmark

43. Which Edgar Allen Poe story is generally thought to be the first modern detective story?

The Murders in the Rue Morgue

44. Who were the original team captains of Shooting Stars, hosted by Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer?

Mark Lamarr and Ulrika Jonsson

45. Which city, located on the estuary of the River Derwent and founded in 1804 as a penal colony, is named after the 4th Earl of Buckinghamshire who served as Secretary of State for War and the Colonies from 1801 to 1804?

Hobart

46. Formed in 1883, what was the original name of the club which became Stockport County FC in 1890?

Heaton Norris Rovers

47. Which leader of the Labour party won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1934?

Arthur Henderson

48. Joseph Lister called this substance carbolic acid. With the molecular formula C₆H₅OH, by what name is it now known?

Phenol

49. Who was the last monarch from Great Britain to die in battle?

James IV of Scotland (at Flodden)

50. Who was the first British actor to win an Oscar? It was for his role in The Private Life of Henry VIII in 1934.

Charles Laughton see note 3

51. Meaning 'beautiful spring', what was the main summer residence of the Habsburg dynasty in Vienna?

The Schönbrunn Palace

52. Which Labour MP holds the record for the female MP with the longest unbroken service, having represented Peckham since 1982?

Harriet Harman

53. Which manufacturer holds the 2021 MotoGP, World Superbike and British Superbike titles?

Yamaha

54. Which actress, born in 1970, is the daughter of the Swedish-American former fashion model Nena von Schlebrügge? She has been married to Gary Oldman and Ethan Hawke.

Uma Thurman

55. What was the most common pen name of the American writer William Sydney Porter? The pseudonym was first used to hide the fact that his first stories were published while he was in prison. He is immortalised in an annual prize awarded to outstanding short stories.

O. Henry

56. Which country became landlocked, losing its 250-mile-long coastline via a peace treaty in 1904, following the War of the Pacific?

Bolivia

57. As at 21 February 2022 who is Leader of Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council?

Elise Wilson

58. What was the first film to be shot in Cinemascope? It was a biblical epic starring Richard Burton and Victor Mature.

The Robe

59. In which castle did King John die?

Newark

60. Which actor played Dr Watson in all fourteen films starring Basil Rathbone as Sherlock Holmes?

Nigel Bruce

61. On what specific date did the UK officially leave the EU?

31 January 2020

62. In which palace did King Henry VIII die?

Palace of Whitehall

63. Stockport Rugby Club changed its name in 1992. What name did it change from?

Davenport Rugby Club

64. What is the name of the former imperial palace of the Habsburg dynasty that today serves as the official residence of the President of Austria?

The Hofburg

65. What product was developed by Stephanie Kwolek at DuPont in 1965? Because of its high tensile strength-toweight ratio it is regarded as five times stronger than steel.

Kevlar

66. In O. Henry's novel *Cabbages and Kings* he coined what two-word phrase to describe Honduras and neighbouring countries under economic exploitation by US corporations, such as one that has since been rebranded as Chiquita?

Banana Republic

67. Name the six-part situation comedy starring Reeves and Mortimer set in North Yorkshire.

Catterick

68. Which constitutional monarch of France was known as *Le Désiré* (the Desired)? He reigned twice with a gap of 100 days and was the last French monarch to die while reigning.

Louis XVIII

69. The actress Blythe Danner, who played one of the parents in Meet the Parents and its sequels, is the mother of a famous actress and the ex-mother-in-law of which famous musician?

Chris Martin (her daughter is Gwyneth Paltrow)

70. Which famous British motorcycle marque has resurrected the Indian firm Mahindra?

BSA (Goldstar)

Second Written Round There is a theme

71. In which North West public park would you find Italian Gardens, an Art Deco Café and a cricket ground that has hosted Women's International cricket?

Stanley Park (Blackpool)

72. Which European airport is also known as North Front Airport?

Gibraltar

73. Which British Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire was responsible for the removal and transportation to the UK of around half the Parthenon sculptures?

Lord Elgin

74. Tom Scholtz is the founder, guitarist and main songwriter for which US rock band?

Boston

75. The DJ with the surname Ravenscroft who died in Peru in 2004 is better known by what name?

John Peel

76. Harry Melling played what role in several Harry Potter films? (full name required)

Dudley Dursley

77. Which Scottish Championship football club plays home games at Cappielow Park?

Greenock Morton

78. Born Donald Williams in 1951, who played Philip Smith in the sitcom Rising Damp?

Don Warrington

79. Which five-star hotel is located at 53 Park Lane, London?

The Dorchester

80. Name the American actress and singer who played Elly May Clampett on The Beverly Hillbillies.

Donna Douglas

Theme is applicants for city status as part of the 2022 Platinum Jubilee honours competition

Stanley (Falkland Islands), Gibraltar, Elgin, Boston, Peel, Dudley, Greenock, Warrington, Dorchester, Douglas

Spares

1. What was Charles Dickens's last completed novel?

Our Mutual Friend

2. Which former EastEnders actress represented the United Kingdom in the 1991 Eurovision song contest with the song *A Message to Your Heart*?

Samantha Janus (or Womack)

3. In what year was King Charles I beheaded?

1649

4. What snack was invented in 1929 by French biscuit maker Monsieur J. Rondalin?

Twiglets

5. Which former Manchester City footballer has been manager of the Montserrat national team since 2018?

Willie Donachie

6. How many hours is Mecca time ahead of GMT?

Three hours

Notes

- 1. The letter Q also does not currently occur, but has appeared in the past. For example, following its discovery element number 104 was initially assigned the temporary/placeholder name *unnilquadium*, which was later superseded by the permanent name *Rutherfordium*.
- 2. The second half of a pair of questions should **not** be obvious/predictable.
- 3. The first British actor to win an Oscar was George Arliss, for playing the title role in the 1929 film *Disraeli*.