

**LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2022**  
**QUESTIONS BY HORSE AND FARRIER**

**First Verbal Round**

1. Who was the defeated General in the 1745 Battle of Prestonpans?  
**Sir John Cope (or Johnnie Cope, as in the song)**
2. At which grounds did the England men's cricket team achieve the two victories which secured their 2005 Ashes success?  
**Edgbaston and Trent Bridge**
3. Of which 1988 film is Archie Leach the main protagonist?  
**A Fish Called Wanda**
4. By what informal name is the building at 20 Fenchurch St, London, commonly known?  
**The Walkie-Talkie**
5. The two largest Welsh towns by population have around 56,000 inhabitants. Name either town.  
**Merthyr Tydfil or Barry [see note 1](#)**
6. What nationality was poet Pablo Neruda?  
**Chilean**
7. TAP is the national airline of which country?  
**Portugal**
8. In the Conan-Doyle stories, what pastime did Sherlock Homes take up on his retirement to Sussex?  
**Beekeeping**
9. The film *Avengers: Infinity War* features a fight between superheroes at which British railway station?  
**Edinburgh Waverley**
10. Which Prime Minister spent much of his political career as Liberal Party MP for Midlothian?  
**William Gladstone**
11. What is the surname of Gavin's Billericay-based family in *Gavin & Stacey*?  
**Shipman**
12. Whose most recent novel is entitled *The Bullet That Missed*?  
**Richard Osman**
13. Castries is the capital of which Caribbean Island nation?  
**St Lucia**
14. Andy Mackay and Phil Manzanera are two of the founder members of which British rock band?  
**Roxy Music**
15. *Northern Lights*, *The Subtle Knife* and *The Amber Spyglass* are the three books of which trilogy?  
**His Dark Materials** (by Philip Pullman)
16. By what other name is the 1818 novel *The Modern Prometheus* known?  
**Frankenstein**
17. Chris Stein and Clem Burke are two of the founder members of which American rock band?  
**Blondie**

18. Basseterre is the capital of which Caribbean island nation?  
**St Kitts and Nevis**
19. Who was the first of several temporary replacements for Richard Osman on *Pointless*?  
**Sally Lindsay**
20. What is the surname of Stacey's Barry-based family in *Gavin & Stacey*?  
**West** [see note 2](#)
21. Which future Prime Minister was elected as the Liberal Party MP for Dundee?  
**Winston Churchill**
22. Which British actor plays Vision in the Marvel Films?  
**Paul Bettany**
23. In the crime novels of Agatha Christie what is Miss Marple's first name?  
**Jane**
24. LOT is the national airline of which country?  
**Poland**
25. What nationality was writer Jorge Luis Borges?  
**Argentinian**
26. The two largest Scottish towns by population have around 75,000 inhabitants. Name either town.  
**Paisley or East Kilbride**
27. By what informal name is the building at 122 Leadenhall St, London, commonly known?  
**The Cheese grater**
28. In which 1988 film is Adrian Cronauer the main protagonist?  
**Good Morning, Vietnam**
29. Which two England cricketers shared a last-wicket partnership to secure a draw against Australia at Cardiff in 2009?  
**Jimmy Anderson and Monty Panesar**
30. Who was the victorious General in the 1322 Battle of Old Byland?  
**Robert the Bruce** [see note 3](#)

**First Written Round** [There is a theme](#)

31. The TV series *Fleabag* and the James Bond film *No Time to Die* share the same screenwriter. Who is it? (full name required)  
**Phoebe Waller-Bridge**
32. What is the name of the 1972 disaster movie starring Gene Hackman and Ernest Borgnine that is based on a 1969 Paul Gallico novel?  
**The Poseidon Adventure**
33. Standing at 7 feet 5 inches (2.26m) on his hind legs, the world's tallest dog, according to the Guinness Book of Records of 2011 and 2012, was a Great Dane named what?  
**Zeus** (who sadly died in 2014)
34. In the Netflix *Breaking Bad* spin-off series *Better Call Saul*, the character Kim Wexler is played by which American actress? (Full name required)  
**Rhea Seehorn**

35. Which is the coldest planet in the Solar System?

**Uranus**

36. What is the name of the actor who founded the American band Thirty Seconds to Mars and starred in the hit films *Dallas Buyers Club* and *Suicide Squad*?

**Jared Leto**

37. Dan Simmons is the author of which novel that won the 1990 Hugo Award for best novel and the Locus Award for best science fiction novel?

**Hyperion**

38. What is the name of the Volkswagen Sports cabriolet introduced in 2006 as the successor to the VW Golf Cabriolet?

**Eos**

39. What is the name of the well-known bar in Deansgate Arches that shares a name with a business park in Wythenshawe?

**Atlas** (The Atlas Bar and Atlas Business Park)

40. What is the name of the European Space Agency project to map the Milky Way?

**Gaia**

**Theme is characters in Greek Mythology (Gods and Titans)**

(Phoebe, Poseidon, Zeus, Rhea, Uranus, Leto, Hyperion, Eos, Atlas, Gaia)

## Second Verbal Round

41. In which modern-day country is the opera *Aida* set?

**Egypt**

42. In 2005 *Employment* was the first album release for which successful British rock band?

**Kaiser Chiefs**

43. Beatrix Kiddo is a character played by Uma Thurman in which series of films?

**Kill Bill** (I, II and III) **see note 4**

44. How is singer Francesco Castelluccio better known?

**Frankie Valli**

45. What was the location for the opening scenes in the *Les Misérables* film musical of 2012, where convicts are pulling a ship into dry dock?

**Portsmouth Dockyard** (also accept 'HMS Victory')

46. Which extinct species or sub-species of archaic humans was found in a cave in the Altai Mountains in Siberia in 2008?

**Denisovans**

47. The Tupamaros were a revolutionary group in which modern-day country?

**Uruguay** (accept also Venezuela, as a copycat group was set up there)

48. The city of Mainz on the river Rhine is the capital of Rhineland-Palatinate. Which other state capital is on the opposite bank of the Rhine?

**Wiesbaden** (capital of Hesse)

49. The southern shore of the Congo estuary is in which country?

**Angola**

50. The 1792 Battle of Valmy was a key victory for which country?  
**France** (the first military victory of the Revolutionary Wars that followed the French Revolution)
51. In which city is the opera *Carmen* set?  
**Seville**
52. Three Prime Ministers have served as MPs for Welsh constituencies. Callaghan and Lloyd George were two; who was the other?  
**Ramsay MacDonald** (Aberavon)
53. Who in 1906 was the first (and probably the only) Mancunian to be awarded a Nobel Prize – for the discovery of the electron? **see note 5**  
**J. J. Thomson** (from Cheetham Hill)
54. In May 1941 planes from which British aircraft carrier damaged the battleship *Bismarck*, jamming its rudder and allowing Bismarck to be to be attacked and sunk?  
**HMS Ark Royal**
55. In the TV series *Doc Martin* what is Martin's surname?  
**Ellingham**
56. In the TV series *Professor T* for what surname does 'T' stand?  
**Tempest**
57. The *Admiral Graf Spee* was located in the River Plate by the South American Cruiser Group. What was the name of the British heavy cruiser that was damaged in this action and could not continue pursuit?  
**HMS Exeter**
58. Nobel Prizes in Literature have been awarded to three Dublin-born writers: W. B. Yeats (1923), Samuel Beckett (1969) and which other writer?  
**George Bernard Shaw** (1925)
59. Two Prime Ministers have served as MPs for constituencies in the Scottish county of Fife. One was Gordon Brown; who was the other?  
**Herbert Asquith** (Fife East)
60. In which city is the opera *La bohème* set?  
**Paris**
61. Which country did France defeat at the Battle of Valmy?  
**Prussia**
62. The seaport of Banana is on the northern estuary of which river?  
**Congo**
63. What is the capital city of the German State of Saarland?  
**Saarbrücken**
64. The FLNA were a revolutionary group in which modern-day country?  
**Angola**
65. Where in southern Europe were the remains of the last living Neanderthal archaic humans found?  
**Gibraltar**
66. What was the location for the riot scenes in the *Les Misérables* film musical of 2012?  
**Greenwich Maritime Museum** (accept just 'Greenwich')

67. How was musician Jiles Richardson better known?

**The Big Bopper**

68. Which British actor plays the title role of Batman in the most recent *Batman* reboot directed by Matt Reeves?

**Robert Pattinson**

69. In 1991 *Leisure* was the first album release for which successful British band?

**Blur**

70. In which modern-day country is the opera *Madame Butterfly* set?

**Japan**

## Second Written Round

71. What valuable item, whose name is derived from the Persian for 'Mountain of Light', was in the news in September 2022?

**The Koh-i-Noor diamond** (in the Crown of Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother)

72. What general name is given to the smallest species of the bird family *Columbidae*?

**Doves**

73. In which country is the home base of Vistara Airline?

**India**

74. What was first developed by German engineer, Hans von Ohain, in April 1937?

(An operational) **jet engine** (Post-war he headed the US Government's Aero Propulsion Lab)

75. What animals are commonly described as Lesser Apes?

**Gibbons**

76. What term, now used in the US Army for two to five divisions containing 40,00 to 80,000 soldiers, was first used by Napoleon in 1805 to describe a section of his Grande Armée?

**Corps**

77. What snooker player has the nickname *Ball Run*?

**Stuart Bingham**

78. What name is given to a small dam built across a river to control upstream water levels?

**Weir**

79. Which car manufacturer produced the Horizon, Solara and Samba models?

**Talbot**

80. What name is used to describe the width of a ship at its widest point?

**Beam**

## Spares

1. Which Football manager managed England, Australia and Queens Park Rangers?

**Terry Venables**

2. Of which band was John Hartman a co-founder?

**The Doobie Brothers**

3. How was singer Norman Alexander Milne known professionally?

**Michael Holliday**

4. Which player scored five tries for England in the recent victory over Papua New Guinea in the Rugby League World Cup?

**Tommy Makinson**

5. Of which political party is Doug Beattie the current leader?

**The Ulster Unionist Party**

## Notes

1. The county **borough** of Merthyr Tydfil has a population of 58,000, but the **town** has a population of 44,767. According to the 2021 UK Census the second-largest town in Wales is Cwmbran, with a population of 46,021.
2. All question setters are reminded that the second half of a pair should not be expected/predictable from the first half.
3. It is somewhat misleading to describe Robert the Bruce as a 'General'. He never held the title, not least as it didn't exist during his lifetime.
4. There are only two films in the series.
5. J. J. Thomson isn't the only Nobel Laureate born in Manchester. Arthur Harden was awarded the Chemistry prize in 1929.