# LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2022 QUESTIONS BY THE RAILWAY

#### First Verbal Round

1. Now used in a non-pejorative sense, the nickname *smoggie* was originally a term of abuse for fans of which football team?

## Middlesbrough

2. 2022 marks the 200th anniversary of the publication of what findings by the philologist Jean-Francois Champollion?

#### The deciphering of the Rosetta Stone

3. In a recent comedy-drama TV series, who is the coach of the fictional football team AFC Richmond?

#### **Ted Lasso**

4. Reese Witherspoon won the Best Actress Oscar in 2006 for her portrayal of which music star?

June Carter Cash (accept just Carter, in the film Walk the Line)

5. Which semi-precious stone, one of the UK birthstones for November, is number eight on the Mohs scale of hardness?

#### **Topaz**

Which French chicken dish is named after a battle that took place in 1800?

#### Chicken marengo

7. Which Radio 4 programme, presented by Jay Rayner, answers listeners' questions about food and cooking?

#### The Kitchen Cabinet

8. Who scored the only goal in the 1980 FA Cup Final?

Trevor Brooking (for West Ham against Arsenal)

9. Which English king erected the twelve Eleanor crosses down Eastern England, in memory of his wife Eleanor of Castile?

#### Edward I

10. The *Powerlist* recently named Dame Sharon White as Britain's most influential black person for 2023. Which company has she chaired since 2020?

#### The John Lewis Partnership

11. Which German city, the capital of Lower Saxony, loses a letter in its traditional English spelling?

Hanover (Hannover in German)

12. How many cards are dealt to each player in a game of gin rummy?

## Ten

13. Which Japanese car manufacturer shares its name with a Zoroastrian god?

# Mazda

14. Which Italian Renaissance painter is said to have proved his skill to a sceptical emissary of Pope Benedict XI by drawing circles freehand?

## Giotto

15. The Stockport-born engineer Joseph Whitworth, in 1841, devised and specified the first international standard for what?

## **Screw threads**

16. What name is given to the coil of an electric motor?

Armature see note 1

17. Views of Warwick Castle, Alnwick Castle and Badminton House are among the works of which 18th century Italian painter?

Canaletto

18. Which brand's logo includes the emblem of the House of Visconti, former rulers of Milan?

Alfa Romeo

19. In contract bridge how many tricks do you need to win if you successfully bid one no trump?

Seven

20. What is the German name for the city traditionally known in English and French as Aix-la-Chapelle?

**Aachen** 

21. Which newspaper set up a live stream of a lettuce to see whether it could outlast Liz Truss's premiership?

Daily Star

22. A direct descendant of Edward III, Lady Margaret Beaufort was the mother of which English king?

**Henry VII** 

23. Alan Taylor scored the only two goals in the FA Cup Final of which year?

**1975** (for West Ham against Fulham)

24. Who is the current regular presenter of the Monday to Thursday editions of The World at One on Radio 4?

Sarah Montague

25. Which cake, whose elements include puff pastry, profiteroles and whipped cream, is named after the French patron saint of bakers and pastry chefs?

Gâteau St Honoré

26. Which semi-precious stone, one of the UK birthstones for March, is a pale blue to light green variety of beryl?

**Aquamarine** 

27. Jamie Foxx won the Best Actor Oscar in 2005 for his portrayal of which legendary music star?

Ray Charles (in the film Ray)

28. Robbie Coltrane played which historical figure in the Blackadder the Third episode Ink and Incapability?

**Dr Samuel Johnson** 

29. 2022 marks the 200th anniversary of Charles Babbage's proposal for the forerunner of the computer – what name did he give it?

Difference engine

30. Which town became Scotland's eighth city as part of the Platinum Jubilee civic honours?

**Dunfermline** 

#### **First Written Round**

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31. Which French scientist, regarded as a pioneer of the mechanical calculator, died in 1662 aged 39?

#### **Blaise Pascal**

32. According to *The Bible*, who was the daughter of Herod II and Herodias, and the grand-daughter of Herod the Great?

#### Salome

33. What's the highest mountain in Canada?

## **Mount Logan**

34. Buoyant Billions, first performed in 1948, was the last full-length play written by which prolific dramatist?

## **George Bernard Shaw**

35. Which footballer played 155 League games for Coventry City and 145 for Aston Villa between 1994 and 2004, and won four England caps in 1998?

#### **Dion Dublin**

36. Who is the narrator and protagonist of Evelyn Waugh's Brideshead Revisited?

## **Charles Ryder**

37. What four words follow 'no need for greed or hunger' in the lyrics of John Lennon's Imagine?

#### A brotherhood of man

38. Which type of radiation has wavelengths of one millimetre or more – the longest in the electromagnetic spectrum?

#### Radio waves

39. Which cocktail was named in honour of the London club where it was first served in 1921 by a barman named Malachy McGarry?

## **Buck's Fizz**

40. Which English king was the son of Edward, the Black Prince?

#### Richard II

#### Theme is winners of the Eurovision Song Contest and some British entries that came second

Jean-Claude Pascal (Luxembourg 1961); Salome (Spain - one of four joint winners 1969); Johnny Logan (Ireland 1980 and 1987); Sandie Shaw (UK 1967); Celine Dion (Switzerland 1988); Sam Ryder (UK 2022); Brotherhood of Man (UK 1976); Katrina & the Waves (UK 1997); Buck's Fizz (UK 1981); Cliff Richard (UK 1968)

# **Second Verbal Round**

41. Penneys is a retail company that was founded in Dublin in 1969. What name does it use outside Ireland?

## **Primark**

42. Which war was ended in 1648 by the Peace of Westphalia?

#### Thirty Years War

43. Folk singer Norma Waterson died in January this year. Name her husband, who was a fellow member of The Watersons group and still performs as a singer and guitarist.

#### **Martin Carthy**

44. Liesel Meminger is the title character of which 2005 novel by Marcus Zusak?

#### The Book Thief

45. Which actor who appeared in *The Royle Family* was born and raised in Heaton Norris?

#### **Craig Cash**

46. As of 14 November 2022, who is the Secretary of State for Education?

#### Gillian Keegan

47. Which Greek term meaning 'the many' is used in English in a negative sense to denote 'the masses'?

## Hoi polloi

48. The Mausoleum of Muhammad Ali Jinnah is one of the most popular tourist destinations in which city?

#### Karachi

49. Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009 for his 'extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples'?

#### **Barack Obama**

50. In the 2022 County Cricket Championship who was Lancashire's leading run-scorer?

# **Keaton Jennings**

51. Which art gallery is home to Picasso's painting Guernica?

Museo Reina Sofia (in Madrid) (accept Queen Sofia)

52. Nuku'alofa is the capital of which Pacific nation?

## **Tonga**

53. Which band's only hit was Run, Run, Run in 1972?

## Jo Jo Gunne

54. Film director Asif Kapadia is best known for his trilogy of biographical documentaries about Ayrton Senna, Amy Winehouse, and which other sporting personality?

#### Diego Maradona

55. Awarded third place in the 2020 BBC Sports Personality of the Year, with which sport is Hollie Doyle associated?

#### Horse racing

56. Who was the first black British woman to win an Olympic gold medal?

#### **Tessa Sanderson**

57. Born in India, the son of an army officer, the films of which British director include O Lucky Man and if....?

## **Lindsay Anderson**

58. Which band's only hit was Neanderthal Man in 1970?

## **Hotlegs**

59. Apia is the capital of which Pacific nation?

# Samoa

60. Which art gallery is home to Vermeer's painting Girl with a Pearl Earring and Fabritius's The Goldfinch?

**The Mauritshuis** (in The Hague) (also accept 'Maurice House')

61. In the 2022 County Cricket Championship who was Lancashire's leading wicket-taker?

#### **Tom Bailey**

62. Which Nobel Peace Prize laureate who died earlier this year won in 1990 'for the leading role he played in the radical changes in East-West relations'?

## Mikhail Gorbachev

63. Halong Bay is a World Heritage Site and tourist destination in which country?

#### Vietnam

64. In heraldry, which ordinary English word is used to describe an animal (usually a lion) that's depicted with its tail between its legs?

#### Coward

65. As of 14 November who is the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland?

#### **Chris Heaton-Harris**

66. When he was an MP, Stockport-born Lord Deben became famous for feeding his daughter a burger during the BSE crisis. By what name was he known at that time?

#### John Selwyn Gummer

67. Which Afghan-born author wrote the acclaimed novels The Kite Runner and A Thousand Splendid Suns?

#### **Khaled Hosseini**

 Actress Helen McCrory died in April this year. Name her actor husband, who played Henry VIII in the TV adaptation of Wolf Hall.
 Damian Lewis

69. Which 1685 battle ended the Monmouth Rebellion against James II?

#### Sedgemoor

70. Which company or group currently owns the Manchester department store formerly known as Kendal Milne, or Kendals?

#### House of Fraser

#### Second Written Round

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71. First observed around 1665, what name is given to the largest anticyclonic storm in the solar system?

# (Jupiter's) Great Red Spot

72. What two-word term describes a politically unstable country with an economy dependent upon the export of natural resources?

#### Banana republic

73. Whose symphonies were transcribed by Franz Liszt for solo piano, resulting apparently in some of the most technically demanding piano music ever written?

#### Ludwig van Beethoven

74. Which is the tallest mountain range in Australia, making up the north-eastern half of the Australian Alps?

#### The Snowy Mountains

75. In Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale*, Antigonus is famously pursued by a bear after abandoning which baby, on the orders of her father?

## **Perdita**

76. In which Aardman animation, popular on CBeebies, is the title character described as 'a little lamb with a lot to learn'?

# **Timmy Time**

77. What word for a type of window is also a British gameshow and Just William's favourite sweet?

## Bullseye

78. In volleyball, what term is used when an attacker returns the ball by jumping, raising an arm above the head and hitting the ball down into the opponent's court?

## Spike

79. Which band won a clutch of Grammys for their 1983 single Rosanna?

#### Toto

80. Who was the manager of Hartlepool Utd between October 1965 and June 1967?

## Brian Clough

## Theme is fictional dogs.

Spot; Nana (Peter Pan); Snowy (Tintin); Perdita (101 Dalmatians); Timmy (Famous Five); Bullseye (Oliver Twist); Spike (Tom & Jerry and Peanuts); Toto (Wizard of Oz); Brian (Family Guy)

# **Spares**

1. Edward Fitzalan-Howard is the 18th and current holder of which dukedom?

#### **Duke of Norfolk**

2. Which stage and film star was born Julia Elizabeth Wells in 1935?

#### **Julie Andrews**

3. Which Dutch city was the starting point of this year's Vuelta a España?

#### Utrecht

4. Of whom did Norman Tebbit say in 1994 "He has the mulishness of a weak man with stupidity"?

## John Major

5. What's the name of the landmark on top of Kerridge Hill that was commissioned in about 1815 by the Gaskell family?

## **White Nancy**

6. Andrew Holness and Portia Simpson-Miller have each served two terms as Prime Minister of which Commonwealth country?

## **Jamaica**

## **Notes**

1. Winding (or windings) would also seem to be an acceptable answer.