

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 2022
QUESTIONS BY SMART ALEX

First Verbal Round

1. As well as Prince and Princess of Wales, what other English title was bestowed on William and Catherine on the accession of King Charles?

Duke and Duchess of Cornwall

2. Which opera is based on the play *La Dame aux Camélias* by Alexandre Dumas?

La Traviata

3. Which year saw the collapse of Barings Bank, the death of Kenny Everett and Blackburn Rovers winning the Premier League?

1995

4. In 1807 and 1808, which British scientist discovered 7 new chemical elements by means of electrolysis?

Sir Humphrey Davy

5. What is the two-word common name for the bird whose binomial is *Anser anser*?

Greylag goose

6. The Queen's funeral service featured music written by which current Master of the King's Music?

Judith Weir

7. Who won the Oscar for Best Original Screenplay in March? He also became the first person to have been nominated in seven different categories.

Kenneth Branagh (for *Belfast*)

8. Who has been the regular presenter of *Great Lives* on Radio 4 since 2006?

Matthew Parris

9. Which royal favourite was exiled multiple times, ennobled as the Earl of Cornwall and murdered? An Oxford University dining club is named after him.

Piers Gaveston

10. With the exception of eggs and sperm cells, how many pairs of chromosomes does a normal human cell contain?

23

11. What is the CGS unit for the magnetic field strength of the H-field named after a Danish scientist? The SI unit equivalent is Newtons per Weber.

Oersted

12. Which year saw the Brinks-Mat robbery, the death of Karen Carpenter and Aberdeen beating Real Madrid to win the European Cup Winners Cup?

1983

13. Who is the eponymous star of the recent film *Mrs Harris Goes To Paris*?

Lesley Manville

14. Which film held the record for the most Oscars until it was matched by *Titanic*?

Ben-Hur

15. The Latin phrase *cui bono* is used in legal cases to mean “who benefits?” Which Roman lawyer, orator and statesman first coined it?

Cicero

16. In the context of UK law enforcement, what does the abbreviation ANPR stand for?

Automatic Number Plate Recognition

17. Which opera is based on the play *Le Roi s'amuse* by Victor Hugo?

Rigoletto

18. Who still holds the world record of 47.60s for the women's 400m, set in 1985?

Marita Koch

19. Talc is a silicate mineral of which metal?

Magnesium

20. Named after a Scottish scientist and mathematician, what is the CGS unit for magnetic flux? The SI unit equivalent is the Weber.

Maxwell

21. With a name derived from the Greek for “short-lived” and “wings”, which order of insects comprises the mayflies?

Ephemeroptera

22. What is the two-word common name for the bird whose binomial is *Milvus milvus*?

Red Kite

23. In the context of UK transport, what does the abbreviation RAIB stand for?

Rail Accident Investigation Branch

24. Antony and Cleopatra were defeated by Octavian, later the emperor Augustus, in which battle of 31BC?

Actium

25. The Queen's funeral service featured *My Soul, there is a Country*. Who wrote this motet?

Hubert Parry

26. Which monarch had two illegitimate sons who were ennobled as the Earl of Burford and the Duke of St. Albans?

Charles II (their mother was Nell Gwyn)

27. Who has been the regular presenter of *A Good Read* on Radio 4 since 2011?

Harriett Gilbert

28. Which film won the Oscar for Best Picture in March?

CODA

29. Who still holds the world record of 8.95m for the men's long jump, set in 1991?

Mike Powell

30. What was the subject of the recent lawsuit between Aldi and Lindt?

Chocolate Bunny

First Written Round **There is a theme, which contains one soundalike and two similar spellings**

31. Which Thomas Hardy novel follows the activities of the Mellstock parish choir and the love affair between Dick Dewey and Fancy Day?

Under The Greenwood Tree

32. Founded in 1693 and now situated on St James's Street, which is the oldest gentleman's club in London?

White's

33. Which historic period lasted approximately from 3200 BCE to 1200 BCE?

The Bronze Age

34. Which Genevan philosopher wrote the 1762 work *The Social Contract* and the 1761 novel *Julie, or The New Heloise*?

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

35. In the film *Who Framed Roger Rabbit* where do the animated characters live?

Toontown

36. 112 miles long at its maximum capacity, which is the largest reservoir in the US in terms of capacity?

Lake Mead

37. Born Catherine Ethel O'Rourke, who represented the UK in the 1965 Eurovision Song Contest?

Kathy Kirby

38. The statue of which MP for Manchester and founder of the Anti-Corn Law League is in Manchester's Albert Square?

John Bright

39. In 1997 who became the first PGA Tour player to average more than 300 yards per drive over a full season, and was the only player to do so until 2003?

John Daly

40. In the film *Casablanca* what four words spoken by Rick precede "We didn't have, we, we lost it until you came to Casablanca"?

We'll always have Paris

Theme: surnames of the England Women's Football Team that won the 2022 European Championships

(Alex Greenwood, Ellen White, Lucy Bronze, Alessia Russo, Ella Toone, Beth Mead, Fran Kirby, Millie Bright, Rachel Daly, Nikita Parris)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which maritime country has borders with Brazil and Peru?

Colombia

42. Which American pop group was formed under its present name in Jacksonville, Florida in 1969? Their most successful single in the USA was *Sweet Home Alabama* in 1974.

Lynyrd Skynyrd

43. What was the name of Britain's first nuclear-powered submarine, launched by Queen Elizabeth II in 1960?

Dreadnought

44. Which eighteenth-century poet wrote the line 'Where Ignorance is Bliss, 'Tis Folly to be wise'?

Thomas Gray

45. What is the name of the Japanese flavouring, made by fermenting soybeans with salt and the fungus *Aspergillus oryzae*? It lends an umami taste to food.

Miso

46. Whose historical crime novels include the *Shardlake* series, set during the reign of Henry VIII?

C. J. Sansom

47. According to Greek mythology, the mortal Paris was asked to choose which of three goddesses was the most beautiful. This ultimately led to the Trojan War. Which goddess did he choose?

Aphrodite (do not accept the answer Venus)

48. Bougainville is the largest island in which archipelago?

The Solomon Islands

49. The Sieve of Eratosthenes is a mathematical procedure for identifying which values?

Prime numbers

50. In standard modern backgammon, how many counters does each player have on the board at the start of a game?

Fifteen

51. Taken from the name of a Greek mythological character, which geographical term indicates processes that change the shape of the Earth's surface by means of wind?

Aeolian (named after Aeolus)

52. Which composer, whose 150th birthday was celebrated this year, composed the *Sinfonia antartica* in 1952?

Ralph Vaughan Williams

53. Which seventeenth-century poet wrote the line '*Gather ye rosebuds while ye may*'?

Robert Herrick

54. Which is the only landlocked country in south-east Asia? For clarification, south-east Asia is the region south of mainland China and east of the Indian subcontinent.

Laos

55. Which American pop group was formed in Athens, Georgia in 1980 and disbanded in 2011? Their debut album was *Murmur* released in 1983.

REM

56. What was the name of the aircraft carrier that was Britain's flagship in the Falklands conflict of 1982?

Hermes

57. Whose historical fictions include *The Last Tudor* and *The White Queen*?

Philippa Gregory

58. *The Haywain* by John Constable depicts a rural scene on which river?

Stour

59. Bikini Atoll is part of which island nation?

The Marshall Islands

60. As of 12 October 2022 which song has had the most streams on YouTube?

Baby Shark (by Pink Fong - over 11 billion streams)

61. In which country do Fotballklubben Bodø/Glimt play their home games?

Norway

62. Known since the 1950s as a location for nuclear bomb testing, which Russian archipelago in the Arctic Ocean consists of two main islands situated off the northern tip of the Ural Mountains?

Novaya Zemlya

63. As of 12 October 2022 which song has had the most streams on Spotify?

Shape of You (by Ed Sheeran - 3.2 billion streams)

64. Which British mathematician is credited with the first proof of Fermat's Last Theorem, which he revealed initially in 1993?
Andrew Wiles
65. Which nineteenth-century German artist painted works including *The Sea of Ice* and *Wanderer Above the Sea of Fog*?
Caspar David Friedrich
66. In the preparation of puff pastry or flaky pastry, thin layers of dough are separated by butter and rolled, then folded and rolled again. This is repeated several times. What term is given to this process?
Lamination
67. In chess game notation which French phrase is represented by the letters *e.p.* placed alongside a move?
En passant
68. In which country do Qarabag FK play their home football games?
Azerbaijan
69. Which composer, born 161 years ago, penned his only opera *Pelléas et Mélisande*?
Claude Debussy
70. In Homer's *Iliad*, Hector is slain by Achilles for having killed his companion. What was the companion's name?
Patroclus

Second Written Round [There is a theme](#)

71. What is the current name of the Scottish football club that was renamed in 1994 to celebrate the links with its hometown? Its ground is Cappielow Park.
Greenock Morton
72. Which former local MP resigned from the Labour Party in 2019 in protest at the leadership of Jeremy Corbyn and, with six others, formed Change UK? Full name required.
Ann Coffey
73. What was Spandau Ballet's only UK number one single?
True
74. Which is the third largest island in the British Isles? The answer comprises three words.
Lewis and/or Harris
75. Who was appointed Guardian of Scotland and served until his defeat at the Battle of Falkirk in July 1298?
William Wallace
76. What is the full name of the legislative capital of Sri Lanka?
Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte
77. What is the name of the character played by Sean Bean as 006 in *Goldeneye*?
Alec Trevelyan
78. In which National Trust building is there a replica of Drake's Drum on public display?
Buckland Abbey
79. Nicknamed 'Hitman', who is the current captain of the Indian men's test cricket team?
Rohit Sharma

80. What five-letter word can be used for a bundle of hay or straw, a framework which supports a roof and to tie up tightly?

Truss

Theme is surnames of members of the UK cabinet (as at 15 October)

(Wendy Morton, Thérèse Coffey, Lord True, Brandon Lewis, Ben Wallace, Ranil Jayawardena
Anne-Marie Trevelyan, Robert Buckland, Alok Sharma, Liz Truss)

Spares

1. In which city in Florida is there a Salvador Dali Museum?

St. Petersburg

2. What is the state capital of Connecticut?

Hartford

3. Which chess player has recently been accused of cheating at international level by Magnus Carlsen?

Hans Niemann

4. Featuring in devices such as gas lighters, electric guitar pickups, and inkjet printers, name the electrical effect in which a charge is generated by the application of pressure to certain solid materials.

Piezoelectric effect