

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2023
QUESTIONS BY WANDERING STAR

First Verbal Round

1. What is the stage name of Anthony L. Ray, who is best known for the 1992 hit *Baby Got Back*?
Sir Mix-a-lot
2. Parsees are followers of which faith?
Zoroastrianism
3. In which decade was the British Lion mark on eggs introduced? The presence of the stamp indicates (among other things) that the flock has been vaccinated against salmonella.
1990s (1998) see **note 1**
4. Name either of the two co-leaders of the Green Party of England and Wales.
Carla Denyer or Adrian Ramsay
5. Melanie Hamrick is the current partner of which rock superstar?
Mick Jagger
6. Published in 1983, what is the title of the first novel in Terry Pratchett's *Discworld* series?
The Colour of Magic
7. During the 1930s illustrator Vernon Grant developed which onomatopoeic trio of gnome-like mascots for the Kellogg Company?
Snap, Crackle and Pop
8. Validated by the *Guinness Book of Records* in 1995, what is the shortest pub name in the UK?
The Q Inn (in Stalybridge)
9. Which English cathedral city was known by the Romans as *Glevum*?
Gloucester see **note 2**
10. Which artist painted the *Monarch of the Glen*?
Edward Landseer
11. Which man has won the most Olympic gold medals?
Michael Phelps (28 medals) see **note 3**
12. What is a *Kentish cob*?
A type of hazelnut, or the tree it comes from
13. For which film did Harrison Ford achieve his only Oscar nomination (so far)?
Witness
14. "*I contradict myself, (I am large, I contain multitudes)*" is a quotation from the work of which 19th century US poet?
Walt Whitman (*Song of Myself*)
15. According to legend the mother of King Minos of Crete was a Phoenician princess who had been seduced by Zeus. What is her name?
Europa
16. Which singer and rapper won the 2002 Mercury Prize for her debut album *A Little Deeper*?
Ms Dynamite

17. The *Tipiṭaka*, or *Pāli Canon*, are writings central to which faith?

Buddhism

18. The Lion mark on eggs includes a single digit to identify the farming method used; what number indicates organic production?

Zero

19. Who is the leader of the Alba party, which has representatives in both the House of Commons and Holyrood?

Alex Salmond

20. Who is the current wife of Paul McCartney?

Nancy Shevell

21. The fictional towns of Castle Rock, Derry and Jerusalem's Lot appear in the works of which author?

Stephen King

22. Which Kellogg's product is advertised by the cartoon Tony the Tiger?

Frosties

23. From which London pub did the pilgrims set out in Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*?

The Tabard

24. The Fosse Way runs between which two cities?

Exeter and Lincoln see note 2

25. Which artist painted *The Treachery of Images*, which features a pipe and the words *This is not a pipe*?

René Magritte

26. Who holds the women's 100m world record of 10.49 seconds?

Florence Griffith-Joyner

27. What is a *Dorset knob*?

A biscuit

28. For which film did Laurence Olivier win a Best Actor Oscar? It was his fourth nomination for an Academy Award.

Hamlet

29. "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds" is a quotation from which 19th century US philosopher?

Ralph Waldo Emerson

30. Who is the author of the imaginative historical novel *The King Must Die*, telling of the early life of Theseus and his escape from Crete?

Mary Renault

First Written Round

There is a theme with is one phonetic spelling and more than one part-word

31. Which song from the 1930s musical *Me and My Girl* contains the lines 'Ev'rything bright and breezy, Do as you darn well pleasey'?

The Lambeth Walk

32. Which character from *The Bible* saved the city of Bethulia by killing an Assyrian general?

Judith

33. Which 1949 film, directed by Robert Siodmak, starred Burt Lancaster and Yvonne de Carlo in an armoured car robbery?

Criss Cross

34. Which US tennis player defeated Steffi Graf to win the Wimbledon singles title in 1999? Reaching the final again in 2000, she lost to Venus Williams.

Lindsay Davenport

35. In *SpongeBob SquarePants*, who was the leader of the Jellyspotters?

Kevin C. Cucumber

36. In the nursery rhyme, what precedes the line '*Bake me a cake as fast as you can*'?

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man

37. Which character did John Barron play in the TV series *The Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin*?

CJ

38. Which soup is named after a mistress of Louis XV, because of her love for cauliflower?

Crème Du Barry [see note 4](#)

39. By what name is the English writer Lady Browning DBE better known?

Daphne du Maurier

40. Who was King of Norway during World War 2? (Name and regnal number required)

Olav V [see note 5](#)

Theme is *Eggheads* past and present

(Beth Webster, Judith Keppel, Chris Hughes, Dave Rainford, Kevin Ashford, Pat Gibson, CJ de Mooi, Barry Simmons, Daphne Fowler, Olav Bjortomt)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which well-known Russian word translates into English as 'travelling companion'?

Sputnik

42. In which European city is the beer Estrella Damm brewed?

Barcelona

43. Who scored the winning goal in the 2023 Women's World Cup Final for Spain in their 1-0 victory over England?

Olga Carmona

44. With the meaning 'related to a palace', what historical term is sometimes used to describe the English counties of Lancashire, Cheshire and Durham?

Palatine or Palatinate

45. Which type of pasta is a word meaning 'little turnips'?

Ravioli [see note 6](#)

46. In what year was US president James A. Garfield assassinated?

1881

47. Elected last month, who is the Speaker of the US House of Representatives?

Mike Johnson

48. In the context of AI, what do the initials LLM stand for?

Large Language Model [see note 2](#)

49. Which vegetable has the Latin name *Solanum melongena*?

Aubergine

50. With which English city is the city of Dresden twinned?

Coventry

51. Which actor and comedian died during the making of the film *The Return of the Musketeers*?

Roy Kinnear

52. Galdhøpiggen is the highest mountain in which European (but not EU) country?

Norway

53. Who is the outgoing Director of the National Theatre?

Rufus Norris [see note 7](#)

54. Which is the first book in Anthony Powell's series *A Dance to the Music of Time*?

A Question of Upbringing

55. The composer Percy Grainger took US citizenship in 1918; where was he born?

Australia

56. The Soyuz spacecraft transferred crews to and from orbiting space stations. What does the Russian word 'soyuz' mean in English?

Union

57. The beers of which (fairly local) brewery include Shameless, Guileless, Contactless, Feckless, Wreckless...and so on?

Red Willow (based in Macclesfield and Buxton)

58. In football, who won the Ballon d'Or Féminin for 2023?

Aitana Bonmatí

59. The County of Greater Manchester was created from parts of Lancashire, Cheshire, and which other county?

West Riding of Yorkshire [see note 8](#)

60. Meaning 'pierced flesh', what is the name of the Japanese dish of thinly sliced fish or meat, with soy sauce?

Sashimi

61. Which US President was assassinated in September 1901?

William McKinley

62. Who did John Bercow succeed as Speaker of the House of Commons?

Michael Martin

63. In the context of AI, what do any of the letters G or P or T stand for, in the term ChatGPT?

Generative Pre-trained Transformers [see note 2](#)

64. Who was Rufus Norris's predecessor at the National Theatre? Born in Didsbury, he was an Associate Director of the Royal Exchange in Manchester in the 1980s, and is co-founder of the new Bridge Theatre in London.

Nicholas Hytner

65. Which is the first book in Anthony Trollope's *Palliser* novels?

Can You Forgive Her

66. Actor Brandon Bruce Lee died making which film?

The Crow

67. Kebnekaise is the highest mountain in which EU country?

Sweden

68. Which vegetable has the Latin name *Pisum sativum*?

Pea

69. Situated in Perth & Kinross, which Scottish village is paired with Boring in Oregon and Bland in New South Wales?

Dull

70. In which Yorkshire town was the composer Frederick Delius born?

Bradford [note 9](#)

Second Written Round **No theme**

71. Which building won the RIBA Stirling Prize in 2023?

The John Morden Centre, London

72. Yunanistan is the name used in Turkey for which of its eight neighbouring countries?

Greece

73. Headquartered in Amsterdam, which multi-national automotive manufacturer owns multiple vehicle brands, including Fiat, Vauxhall, Jeep, Maserati and Citroën?

Stellantis

74. What Latin phrase refers to a rhetorical strategy where the speaker attacks the other person rather than the substance of the argument itself?

Ad hominem

75. In computer storage terms approximately how many bytes make one terabyte? [see note 10](#)

1 Trillion (or 1,000,000,000,000, or 10 to the power of 12, or 1e+12)

76. How many whole years long was the reign of James the Sixth of Scotland and First of England? That is, from the death of Mary Queen of Scots to the accession of Charles I. Accept one year either way.

57 years and 246 days (accept 56 to 58 years) [see note 11](#)

77. With most of the music lost, *Thespis* was the first collaboration between which dramatist and composer pair, in 1871?

Gilbert and Sullivan

78. Stockport Falcons, Manchester Swarm and Tameside Vikings are local clubs who participate in which ball sport? England were double medallists in the 3x3 (pronounced three-ex-three) variant of this sport at the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

Basketball

79. At 2629 metres above sea level Mount Catherine is the highest point of which African country?

Egypt

80. What name is given to the extravagant period of painting, music and architecture prevalent in Europe during most of the seventeenth century?

Baroque

Spares

1. Which Belgian singer and actor who died in 1978 is said to have influenced among others, Scott Walker, David Bowie and Marc Almond, and had songs covered by Frank Sinatra, Andy Williams and Nina Simone?

Jacques Brel

2. Situated approximately at the midpoint of the Strand in London's Westminster, what is the sacred name of the Central Church of the Royal Air Force?

St Clement Danes

3. In mechanical engineering what name is given to the study of friction, wear and lubrication?

Tribology

4. Emil Von Behring was the first Nobel Laureate for Physiology or Medicine in 1901, for his development of an antitoxin against which disease, the vaccine for which was developed in 1923, and remains a standard vaccine for all?

Diphtheria

5. From 1967 to the mid-1970s, the instrumental composition *Theme 1* was used as the opening and closing theme tune for BBC Radios 1 and 2. Who wrote it?

George Martin

5. As of 2 November 2023, what cabinet position does Steve Barclay hold?

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

Notes

1. The lion mark was **re**-introduced in 1998. It was first used in 1957 and then dropped in 1971.
2. When asking for multi-part answers it is fairer to be consistent for both teams. Q9 requires a single answer, whereas its pair (Q24) requires two answers. Similarly, for Q48 all three words are needed for a correct answer, but the pair (Q63) requires only one of three words to be given.
3. Phelps has won 'only' 23 Olympic gold medals. He won 28 medals in total (23 gold/3 silver/2 bronze).
4. It is also known as 'Velouté du Barry' and 'Du Barry cauliflower cream soup' so it would seem reasonable to accept most answers containing 'Du Barry'.
5. Haakon VII was king of Norway during World War 2. He was succeeded by Olav V in 1957.
6. The etymology of the word *ravioli* is uncertain and its connection to turnips is only one possible explanation.
7. Norris will not step down as Artistic Director until 2025.
8. Questions about historic counties can be a minefield: the West Riding of Yorkshire was a subdivision of the county of Yorkshire, so 'Yorkshire' is also a correct answer.
9. Delius was born in 1862 and Bradford was granted city status in 1897, so it is technically correct to describe Bradford as the **town** of his birth.
10. Tera is an SI unit prefix that is **exactly** 1 trillion. The approximation to 1 trillion is the tebibyte, which is 2 to the power 40 or 1,099,511,627,776).
11. This question steers teams away from the correct answer. James came to the throne of Scotland in 1567 following the **abdication**, not death, of Mary Queen of Scots - who died in 1587.

Also the question asks for a whole number of years, so it would not be unreasonable to round 57 years and 246 days to 58 years. Therefore an acceptable answer should be in the range 57 to 59 years.