

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 4 APRIL 2024
QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

1. What is the name of Stockport's only Michelin-starred restaurant?
Where The Light Gets In
2. Which Cumbrian village is home to the only restaurant in the north of England with three Michelin stars?
Cartmel (home to Simon Rogan's *L'Enclume*)
3. In *Coronation Street* what is the first name of Peter Barlow's twin sister?
Susan
4. In *Coronation Street* what is the first name of Steve McDonald's twin brother?
Andy
5. Who was the last British monarch to be born overseas?
George II
6. Who was the first British monarch to be born at Buckingham Palace?
William IV
7. The synthetic chemical element with atomic number 115 and represented by the symbol *Mc* is named after whom or what?
Moscow (Moscovium)
8. The synthetic chemical element with atomic number 113 and represented by the symbol *Nh* is named after whom or what?
Japan (Nihonium; named after *Nihon*, the Japanese name for Japan) **see note 1**
9. On this day (4 April) in 1949 which organisation came into being at a signing ceremony in Washington D.C.?
NATO
10. On this day (4 April) in 1968 Martin Luther King Jr was assassinated at a motel in which US city?
Memphis
11. Which football manager in this season's English Premier League has the middle name Norbert?
Jurgen Klopp
12. Which football manager in this season's English Premier League has the initials JGS?
Pep Guardiola (full name is Josep Guardiola Sala)
13. Which two middle-eastern countries are connected by the King Fahd Causeway?
Saudi Arabia and **Bahrain**
14. Which two European countries are connected by the Sami Bridge?
Finland and **Norway**
15. Who succeeded Tiberius as Emperor of Rome in 37 AD?
Caligula
16. Who succeeded Trajan as Emperor of Rome in 117 AD?
Hadrian

17. What is the three-word title of the remembrance poem by Laurence Binyon that begins '*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old*'?

For the Fallen

18. '*In Flanders fields the poppies blow, Between the crosses, row on row*' are the first lines of the war poem *In Flanders Fields*. What was the nationality of its author?

Canadian (John McCrae)

19. With which country does Singapore share its only land border?

Malaysia

20. With which country does Papua New Guinea share its only land border?

Indonesia

21. RHS Bridgewater is the newest of the five RHS Gardens in the UK. Name any one of the other four.

Any one from: **Harlow Carr, Hyde Hall, Rosemoor, Wisley**

22. There are four Tate Galleries in Britain. Tate Modern and Tate Britain are in London. Name **both** towns or cities that are home to the other two.

St Ives and Liverpool

23. Since 2021 who has been the regular presenter of the BBC Radio 4 panel game *Just a Minute*?

Sue Perkins

24. Since 2009 who has been the regular presenter of the BBC Radio 4 quiz *Brain of Britain*?

Russell Davies

25. The name of Lancashire County Cricket Club's Old Trafford ground now includes the name of which sponsor?

Emirates

26. Which hotel group operates the hotel within the Emirates Old Trafford cricket ground?

Hilton Garden Inn (accept any answer containing 'Hilton')

27. The River Trent flows into which other river before reaching the sea?

River Humber [see note 2](#)

28. Which major river flows through the royal estate of Balmoral?

River Dee

29. *Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No.2* was the inspiration for which 1975 hit single by Eric Carmen?

All By Myself

30. J. S. Bach's *Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring* was the inspiration for which 1979 single by the Beach Boys?

Lady Lynda

First Written Round

THERE IS A THEME (note: in one case the link to the theme is hidden within a longer word or phrase)

31. In Charles Dickens' *Barnaby Rudge*, who is the daughter of locksmith Gabriel and his scheming wife Martha? Full name required.

Dolly Varden

32. Which London theatre was established in 1818 as the Royal Coburg Theatre? Its current Artistic Director is Matthew Warchus, who replaced his controversial predecessor in 2015.

The Old Vic

33. Which coin ceased to be legal tender in the UK on 1 January 1961?

The Farthing

34. What surname is shared by the following people?

A current English Premier League player who was PFA Young Player of the Year in 2012.
An iconic fictional pub landlady.
The men's 1500 metres gold medallist at the 1976 Olympic Games.

Walker (Kyle, Annie, John)

35. Driving from the Portwood roundabout along the B6104 (Carrington Road) towards Bredbury, you would pass a house bearing a blue plaque at number 33. This identifies the house as the birthplace in 1909 of which legendary sportsman?

Fred Perry

36. Which popular London-born comedian is probably best known for his '*going out out*' routine?

Mickey Flanagan

37. Which American singer had the 1986 UK Christmas number one single, almost three years after his death?

Jackie Wilson (*Reet Petite*)

38. What was the satirical name given to Prime Minister Harold Wilson's controversial resignation honours list of 1976? The name arose from the suggestion that the list was drafted on a particular colour of notepaper by Wilson's political secretary, Marcia Falkender.

The Lavender List (accept any answer containing 'Lavender')

39. Which 1986 film, whose cast included Tom Berenger, Willem Dafoe, Charlie Sheen, Forest Whitaker and Johnny Depp, was awarded the Best Picture Oscar at the Academy Awards ceremony in March 1987? It was the first of director Oliver Stone's Vietnam War trilogy, which also included *Born on the Fourth of July* and *Heaven & Earth*.

Platoon

40. At 3209 feet, which mountain is the highest in England?

Scafell Pike

Theme is the classic TV sitcom *Dad's Army*

[Godfrey's sister Dolly; LDV (Local Defence Volunteers); Reverend Timothy Farthing; Private Walker; co-created by Jimmy Perry; theme tune sung by Bud Flanagan; Sergeant Wilson; Ian Lavender; Walmington-on-Sea platoon; Private Pike]

Second Verbal Round

41. How many carbon atoms are there in a molecule of ethanol?

Two

42. How many carbon atoms are there in a molecule of benzene?

Six

43. Which English footballer's professional career began, aged 17, with Liverpool and ended, aged 33, at Stoke City?

Michael Owen

44. Which English rugby player's career began, aged 22, with Widnes and ended, aged 33, with London Wasps?

Martin Offiah

45. Which 1975 UK number one single has a title that contains just two letters?

If (by Telly Savalas)

46. Which 1975 UK top 40 single has a title that contains ten words, but just three different letters?

I Do, I Do, I Do, I Do, I Do (by Abba)

47. Which part of the body is usually affected by the disease *ringworm*?

The skin

48. Which part of the body is affected by the medical condition *strabismus*?

The eye

49. Which American author wrote the series of novels featuring the protagonist Jack Ryan?

Tom Clancy

50. Which British author wrote the series of novels featuring the protagonist Jack Reacher?

Lee Child

51. The albums *A Tonic for the Troops* by the Boomtown Rats, *Who Are You* by The Who and Jeff Wayne's *The War of the Worlds* were all released in which year?

1978

52. The albums *Born in the USA* by Bruce Springsteen, *Like a Virgin* by Madonna and *The Unforgettable Fire* by U2 were all released in which year?

1984

53. Name any two of the four films for which Clint Eastwood has been nominated for the Academy Award for Best Director.

Two from: ***Unforgiven, Mystic River, Million Dollar Baby, Letters from Iwo Jima***

54. Name any two of the four films for which John Ford won an Academy Award for Best Director.

Two from: ***The Informer, The Grapes of Wrath, How Green Was My Valley, The Quiet Man***

55. Which reptile found in Britain has the scientific name *Natrix helvetica*?

Grass snake

56. Which mammal found in Britain has the scientific name *Oryctolagus cuniculus*?

Rabbit

57. The summer of 1922 on New York's Long Island is the setting for which literary classic?

The Great Gatsby

58. Maycomb, Alabama in the early 1930s is the setting for which literary classic?

To Kill a Mockingbird

59. In the 2023 film *Barbie*, which singer appears as Mermaid Barbie?

Dua Lipa

60. In the 2023 film *Barbie*, which comedian/actor appears as Sugar Daddy Ken?

Rob Brydon

61. Which British group's debut studio album *Kissing to Be Clever* was released in 1982?

Culture Club

62. Which Australian singer had a UK number one hit with her debut single *Kiss Kiss* in 2002?

Holly Valance

63. Name any two of the three most populous towns/cities in Lincolnshire.

Any two from: **Lincoln, Grimsby, Scunthorpe**

64. Name any two of the three most populous towns/cities in Devon.

Any two from: **Plymouth, Exeter, Torquay**

65. Which current West End stage musical features the songs *Monster*, *Hans of the Southern Isles* and *Reindeer Are Better Than People*?

Frozen

66. Which current West End stage musical features the songs *Burn*, *Your Obedient Servant* and *Guns and Ships*?

Hamilton

67. Where in the human body would you find the muscle *multifidus*?

The back (alongside the spine)

68. Where in the human body would you find the muscle *pronator teres*?

The arm

69. Robert Walpole served as the UK's first Prime Minister from 1721 to 1742. During this time which Norfolk town did he represent as Member of Parliament?

King's Lynn

70. Name **either** the institution **or** the north-west town for which UK Prime Minister William Pitt the Younger served as Member of Parliament.

Cambridge University or Appleby (accept either)

Second Written Round **THERE IS A THEME** (the theme word may be hidden within a longer word)

71. Which Major League Baseball team was founded in 1901 as the Washington Senators? The team moved to its current home city in 1961 and has won the World Series three times, most recently in 1991. A two-word answer is required.

Minnesota Twins

72. William Dod and Queenie Newall are Great Britain's only gold medallists in the history of which Olympic sport? They both won gold at the 1908 games in London.

Archery

73. *Marriage Lines* was a sitcom on BBC television and radio during the 1960s. Name the **two** actors who starred as newly married couple George and Kate Starling. Both went on to huge success separately, in two of the most popular TV sitcoms of all time.

Richard Briers and Prunella Scales (both needed for a correct answer)

74. Which UK band formed in 1975 has had number one albums that include *Seventh Son of a Seventh Son*, *The Final Frontier*, *The Book of Souls* and *Fear of the Dark*?

Iron Maiden

75. Which fictional pub is currently managed by married couple Kenton and Jolene?

The Bull (in *The Archers*)

76. Played by Arthur Bostrom in the TV sitcom *'Allo 'Allo*, what was the name of the British spy posing as a French policeman who was known for his mangled French including the catchphrase "*Good Moaning*"? Surname only required.

Officer Crabtree

77. Helm Crag is a Lake District fell, just to the north of Grasmere alongside the main A591 road to Keswick. Due to the distinctive rock formations at its summit it is popularly known by another name with Biblical connotations. What is this alternative name?

The Lion and the Lamb

78. In 1987 who famously said: "*Earlier on today, apparently, a woman rang the BBC and said she heard there was a hurricane on the way. Well, if you're watching, don't worry, there isn't.*"?

Michael Fish

79. What comes next in this sequence?
Jumada al-Thani, Rajab, Sha'ban...

Ramadan

80. Which footballer, who began his senior professional career at Manchester United in 1989, is the all-time leading goal scorer for the national team of Bermuda?

Shaun Goater

Theme is symbols that represent the signs of the zodiac

(Twins/Gemini; Archer/Sagittarius; Scales/Libra; Maiden/Virgo; Bull/Taurus; Crab/Cancer; Lion/Leo; Fish/Pisces; Ram/Aries; Goat/Capricorn)

Spares

1. Which song begins with the following lyrics?

*That certain night
The night we met
There was magic abroad in the air
There were angels dining at the Ritz*

A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square

2. Which film saw Roger Moore's final appearance as James Bond?

A View to a Kill

3. What three-word name is given to each Halloween edition of the animated TV comedy *The Simpsons*?

Treehouse of Horror

4. Directed by John Boorman, which 1972 film had the tagline *This is the weekend they didn't play golf*?

Deliverance

5. Which band took the title of their debut studio album from chapter seven of *The Wind in the Willows*?

Pink Floyd (*Piper at the Gates of Dawn*)

6. In 1931 what was superseded by the Empire State Building as the world's tallest building or man-made structure?

The Eiffel Tower

7. Which vegetable usually accompanies a dish if it is described as *à la Crécy*?

Carrots

8. Who is the only non-European to have managed a team to win the English Premier League?

Manuel Pellegrini

Notes

1. 'Nihon' is also an acceptable answer.
2. The Trent does not really flow into the Humber; the Humber estuary begins at the confluence of the Trent and the Ouse.