

[League] The Quiz League of London (QLL)
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[Round 1]

[1A] Which 2004 Pixar film stars the Parr family, who each have superpowers?

[Ans] The **Incredibles**

[1B] Which famous book has the opening line "When he was nearly thirteen, my brother Jem got his arm badly broken at the elbow."

[Ans] **To Kill a Mockingbird**

[2A] Who was at number 1 in the UK for 9 weeks in 2006 with 'Crazy'?

[Ans] **Gnarls Barkley**

[2B] Ganesh is one of the best-known and most widely worshipped deities in the Hindu pantheon. The god is normally depicted with the head of what animal?

[Ans] **Elephant**

[3A] Which Briton, dying on 18th July 2009, was the last survivor of the Battle of Jutland, and briefly the oldest man in the world?

[Ans] Henry **Allingham**

[3B] Which motor company make vehicles called the Altea and Exeo?

[Ans] **Seat**

[4A] Which girls Christian name means "Supplanter" in Hebrew through French and is the forename of a celebrated cellist?

[Ans] **Jacqueline**

[4B] Who married both Angie Dickinson in 1965 and also Carole Bayer Sager?

[Ans] Burt **Bacharach**

[Round 2]

[1A] Who was Great Britain's only male gold medallist at the 2009 World Athletics Championship?

[Ans] Phillips **Idowu**

[1B] What name was given to the series of spacecraft that included the first to fly by Mercury, Venus and Mars?

[Ans] **Mariner**

[2A] In Goldsmith's poem what is the name of the "Loveliest Village of the Plain"?

[Ans] **Auburn**

[2B] How were Giles Darby, David Bermingham and Gary Mulgrew known. In 2002 they were indicted in Houston, Texas on seven counts of wire fraud and extradited from the United Kingdom to the United States in 2006?

[Ans] **Natwest Three** (also accept Enron Three)

[3A] Which movie included the line: "Gentlemen, you can't fight in here. This is the war room"?

[Ans] **Dr Strangelove**

[3B] In which modern country would you find the ravine of Babi Yar?

[Ans] **Ukraine**

[4A] Which cigarette in the early 1960's had the advertising slogan "Cool as a mountain stream"?

[Ans] **Consulate**

[4B] The attack on which French port in August 1942 was called "Operation Jubilee"?

[Ans] **Dieppe**

[Round 3]

[1A] What nationality (when born) was Anton Fokker the aircraft designer?

[Ans] **Dutch**

[1B] Which Beatles song includes the lyrics "She asked me to stay and she told me sit anywhere, So I looked around and I noticed there wasn't a chair."?

[Ans] **Norwegian Wood** (This Bird Has Flown)

[2A] As one of the most common and widespread domestic animals how do we know the animal with the scientific name Gallus gallus domesticus

[Ans] **Chicken**

[2B] Set at the Oval in 1938, what is the England cricket team's highest ever aggregate test score?

[Ans] **903** (for 7)

[3A] Who won the 1980 Pulitzer prize for his novel "The executioner's song"?

[Ans] Norman **Mailer**

[3B] Castle Howard was the setting for which 1981 TV series featuring the character Charles Ryder?

[Ans] **Brideshead Revisited**

[4A] Which peninsula forms the eastern shore of the sea of Okhotsk?

[Ans] **Kamchatka**

[4B] The title of Jackson Pollock's 1947 action painting "Full Fathom Five" is derived from a line in act 1 scene 2 of which Shakespeare play?

[Ans] The **Tempest**

[Round 4]

[1A] What test/score devised in 1952 by an American doctor is a simple and repeatable method to quickly and summarily assess the health of newborn children immediately after childbirth.

[Ans] **Apgar** Score

[1B] The long distance train service called "Armada" runs from Leeds to where?

[Ans] **Plymouth**

[2A] On the 3rd May 2009 Martyn Williams missed a penalty in the first ever shoot out in the semi final of the Rugby Union Heineken Cup allowing Leicester tigers to win. Which team was Martyn Williams playing for?

[Ans] **Cardiff** Blues (Accept Cardiff)

[2B] Which element, with the atomic number 27 has a name derived from the German word for goblin?

[Ans] **Cobalt**

[3A] Which war was ended by the Treaty of Portsmouth?

[Ans] **Russo-Japanese** war (1905)

[3B] What is the stage name of Curtis Jackson?

[Ans] **50 cent**

[4A] Who was the Austrian Symbolist painter born in 1862 who painted the Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer I in 1907?

[Ans] Gustav **Klimt**

[4B] Who was the Catholic influential philosopher and theologian in the tradition of scholasticism, who died in 1274 who was known as Doctor Angelicus and Doctor Communis?

[Ans] Thomas **Aquinas**

[Round 5]

[1A] Which 2007 Pixar film follows Remy, a rat who dreams of becoming a chef and tries to achieve his goal by forming an alliance with a Parisian restaurant's garbage boy?

[Ans] **Ratatouille**

[1B] Which famous book has the opening line: "Far out in the uncharted backwaters of the unfashionable end of the Western Spiral arm of the Galaxy lies a small unregarded yellow sun."?

[Ans] The **Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy**

[2A] Who was at number 1 in the UK for 10 weeks in 2007 with 'Umbrella'?

[Ans] **Rihanna** (featuring Jay-Z)

[2B] Anubis is the Greek name for a god associated with mummification and the afterlife in Egyptian mythology. What animals head is Anubis usually depicted with?

[Ans] **Jackal**

[3A] Which Briton, dying on 25th July 2009, was the last living British-resident veteran of World War One?

[Ans] Harry **Patch**

[3B] Which motor company make models called the iQ and the Prius?

[Ans] **Toyota**

[4A] Which boys name of Irish and Gaelic origin means "champion" and is the forename of a celebrated violinist?

[Ans] **Nigel**

[4B] Who married both Katy Jurado in 1959 and also Ethel Merman?

[Ans] Ernest **Borgnine**

[Round 6]

[1A] Who was Great Britain's only female gold medallist at the 2009 World Athletics Championship?

[Ans] Jessica **Ennis**

[1B] What name was given to the series of spacecraft that included the first to fly by Jupiter and Saturn?

[Ans] **Pioneer**

[2A] What is the name of the Gloucestershire village where the 1915 poem said "Yes I rememberof heat the express train drew up there unwontedly"?

[Ans] **Adlestrop**

[2B] How were the businessmen John Towers, Peter Beale, Nick Stephenson, and John Edwards known following their takeover and the subsequent collapse of the Rover Group in 2005?

[Ans] **Phoenix Four**

[3A] Which movie included the line "I love the smell of napalm in the morning"?

[Ans] **Apocalypse Now**

[3B] The world's first satellite was launched in 1957 from Baikonur. In which country would you find the launch site?

[Ans] **Kazakhstan**

[4A] According to the 1960 advertising slogan which cigarette brand said "You're never alone with a ""?

[Ans] **Strand**

[4B] The raid on a dry dock in which French port in March 1942 was called "Operation Chariot"?

[Ans] **St. Nazaire**

[Round 7]

[1A] In which country is Bofors after which the anti aircraft gun is named?

[Ans] **Sweden**

[1B] Which Beatles song includes the lyrics "The man of a thousand voices talking perfectly loud. But nobody ever hears him or the sound he appears to make and he never seems to notice."?

[Ans] The **Fool on the Hill**

[2A] Which domestic animal is normally given the scientific name *Sus scrofa scrofa*, though some taxonomists use the term *Sus domestica*?

[Ans] **Pig**

[2B] Also set at the Oval in 1938, what is the highest ever individual test score made by an England batsman?

[Ans] **364** (by Len Hutton)

[3A] Who won the 1980 Booker Prize for his novel "Rites of passage"?

[Ans] William **Golding**

[3B] Port Merion was the setting for which 1967 TV series starring Patrick McGoohan?

[Ans] **The Prisoner**

[4A] Which island chain forms the south-eastern boundary of the sea of Okhotsk?

[Ans] **Kurile** islands

[4B] James Jones first novel "From Here to Eternity" was made into a 1952 film by Fred Zinnemann. From what 1889 Kipling poem about oppressed junior soldiers does the title come?

[Ans] **Gentlemen Rankers** (Not Barrack Room Ballads which is a collection of poems)

[Round 8]

[1A] What is the name for the soft spots on a baby's head which, during birth, enable the bony plates of the skull to flex, allowing the child's head to pass through the birth canal?

[Ans] **Fontanelle**

[1B] The long distance train service called "Master Cutler" runs from Leeds to where?

[Ans] **Sheffield**

[2A] Who on 30th May 09 scored the fastest goal in FA Cup final history after just 25 seconds

[Ans] Louis **Saha**

[2B] Which element, with the atomic number 74 has a name derived from the Swedish for "Heavy Stone"?

[Ans] **Tungsten**

[3A] Which war was ended by the Treaty of Ghent?

[Ans] **War of 1812**

[3B] What is the stage name of Dylan Mills?

[Ans] **Dizzee Rascal**

[4A] Who was the French Post-Impressionist painter in the Naive or Primitive manner, born in 1844 who was known as "*Le Douanier*" (the customs officer) after his place of employment and who is best known for his Jungle scenes?

[Ans] Henri **Rousseau**

[4B] Who was the Dutch Renaissance humanist and a Catholic Christian theologian, born in Rotterdam between 1466 and 1469. He is credited with coining the adage, "In the land of the blind, the one-eyed man is king." His best-known work was *The Praise of Folly*?

[Ans] Desiderius **Erasmus**

[Spares]

[1] Who announced in 1798 and introduced in 1799 Income Tax the first payment being due in June 1799?

[Ans] William **Pitt the Younger**

[2] What is the more familiar English title for the film that is called in French "L'Homme qui murmurait à L'oreille des chevaux" ?

[Ans] The **Horse Whisperer**

[3] Who on 28th December 1895 in the Billiard room of the Grand Café, Paris presented the first public showing of moving pictures?

[Ans] Louis and Auguste **Lumiere**

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[Round 1]

[1A] Adding an 'e' to the name of what type of musical instrument gives the name of a kitchen utensil for slicing vegetables?

[Ans] Mandolin(e)

[1B] Lake Balaton is in which central European country?

[Ans] Hungary

[2A] Name the Air Chief Marshall who is the current Chief of the Defence Staff.

[Ans] (Sir Jock) Stirrup

[2B] Particularly used to describe its fur, what is the alternative name for the stoat?

[Ans] Ermine

[3A] Who was captain of the England rugby union team for the 2009 Six Nations Championship?

[Ans] (Steve) Borthwick

[3B] Both having died within the last two years, name either of the co-creators of the fantasy role-playing game *Dungeons and Dragons*.

[Ans] (Gary) Gygax; (Dave) Arneson

[4A] Who won Best British Male Solo artist at the 2009 Brit Awards?

[Ans] (Paul) Weller

[4B] Give a year in the reign of King John of England.

[Ans] 1199-1216

[Round 2]

[1A] What place is the nickname of Haydn's symphony number 104 in D major?

[Ans] London

[1B] Which European country has a royal family that is directly descended from one of Napoleon's marshals?

[Ans] Sweden (House of Bernadotte)

[2A] What make of car shares its name with an American Indian chief who led a rebellion against the British in 1763-6?

[Ans] Pontiac

[2B] Freetown is the capital of which West African country?

[Ans] Sierra Leone

[3A] What was the title of the 7-part comedy-mystery series about blackmail and murder, starring Reece Shearsmith and Steve Pemberton, shown on BBC2 in summer 2009?

[Ans] Psychoville

[3B] Where specifically in the human body would you find the philtrum?

[Ans] Upper lip

[4A] Name either of the original regular team captains on the BBC's *A Question of Sport*.

[Ans] (Cliff) Morgan; (Henry) Cooper

[4B] In the stories by PG Wodehouse, what is the name of Lord Emsworth's favourite prize pig?

[Ans] Empress of Blandings

[Round 3]

[1A] Name either of the men who share the record (90) for most appearances as England football captain.

[Ans] (Billy) Wright; (Bobby) Moore

[1B] According to the New Testament, who was the father of John the Baptist?

[Ans] Zachariah

[2A] Paul Rogers, lead vocalist with Free and Bad Company, played with which classic rock band from 2004-9?

[Ans] Queen

[2B] In Roman history, 69 AD is known as 'the year of the four emperors'. Vespasian was the fourth; name any one of the other three emperors.

[Ans] Galba; Otho; Vitellius

[3A] Popular among Scrabble players, what two-letter word worth 11 points is a Chinese word for life force or energy?

[Ans] Qi

[3B] Which is the only fictional destination in the Hope and Crosby *Road To* movies?

[Ans] Utopia

[4A] Ignoring the membership of the EU itself, how many of the 19 member countries of the G20 are situated, in whole or part, in Europe?

[Ans] 6 (UK, Germany France, Russia Italy, Turkey)

[4B] What is the name of the series of delta-winged fighters and bombers produced by Dassault Aviation of France from the 1950s onwards?

[Ans] Mirage

[Round 4]

[1A] Who won the Oscar for Best Actor at the 81st Academy Awards in February 2009?

[Ans] (Sean) Penn (for *Milk*)

[1B] Which former *Tomorrow's World* presenter hosted five of his *Special* series in the 1970s and 3 series called *Connections* between 1978 and 1997?

[Ans] (James) Burke

[2A] How many different cities with a name beginning with A have hosted the modern Summer Olympic Games?

[Ans] 4 (Amsterdam, Antwerp, Athens, Atlanta)

[2B] Which British bird is the subject of an ode by Shelley beginning: "Hail to thee, blithe spirit!"?

[Ans] Skylark

[3A] Which Benjamin Britten opera is based on a novella of the same name by Herman Melville?

[Ans] *Billy Budd*

[3B] Whom did John F Kennedy defeat in the 1960 US Presidential Election?

[Ans] (Richard) Nixon

[4A] From which French wine region does Nuits St Georges originate?

[Ans] Burgundy (Bourgogne)

[4B] What is the SI unit of frequency?

[Ans] hertz

[Round 5]

[1A] From an Italian word for an object seen in the night sky, what word describes a two-handled crescent-shaped kitchen knife?

[Ans] Mezzaluna

[1B] Two European countries have reigning royal families that are directly descended in the male line from Louis XIV of France. Luxembourg is one, what is the other?

[Ans] Spain

[2A] Ian Astbury, lead vocalist with The Cult, performed with members of which classic American rock band between 2003 and 2007?

[Ans] The Doors

[2B] Which object is described in an ode by Keats as: "Thou still unravish'd bride of quietness"?

[Ans] Grecian urn

[3A] Who was captain of the victorious Ireland rugby union team in the 2009 Six Nations Championship?

[Ans] (Brian) O'Driscoll

[3B] Which part of the human body is the pollex?

[Ans] Thumb (allow big toe)

[4A] How many member countries of the G20 are monarchies?

[Ans] 5 (UK, Australia, Canada, Japan, Saudi Arabia)

[4B] What is the SI unit of resistance?

[Ans] ohm

[Round 6]

[1A] For what film did Kate Winslet win the Oscar for Best Actress at the 81st Academy Awards in February 2009?

[Ans] *The Reader*

[1B] Lake Balkhash is in which central Asian country?

[Ans] Kazakhstan

[2A] What make of recreational vehicle shares its name with an American Indian tribe whose original territory lies in modern Wisconsin?

[Ans] Winnebago

[2B] Austerlitz is known as 'the battle of the three emperors'.

Napoleon Bonaparte was one emperor present; name either one of the other two.

[Ans] Alexander (I); Francis (II)

[3A] Which Benjamin Britten opera is based on the poem *The Borough* by George Crabbe?

[Ans] *Peter Grimes*

[3B] Which fantasy role-playing game, first released on 2004, is set on the planet Azeroth?

[Ans] World of Warcraft

[4A] Name either of the original regular team captains on BBC TV's *They think it's all over*.

[Ans] (Gary) Lineker; (David) Gower

[4B] Which military transport aircraft first flew in 1954, and is still in production?

[Ans] (Lockheed) Hercules

[Round 7]

[1A] Who has captained the England cricket team in the greatest number of Test matches (54)?

[Ans] (Mike) Atherton

[1B] Sub-titled *A Personal Voyage*, what was the main title of the 1980 13-part science documentary series presented by Carl Sagan?

[Ans] *Cosmos*

[2A] Until succeeded by Sir David Richards in August 2009, who was Chief of the General Staff and professional head of the British army?

[Ans] (Sir Richard) Dannatt

[2B] Named after a US President, what is the capital of Liberia?

[Ans] Monrovia

[3A] Using only vowels, what two-letter word, popular among Scrabble players, is a Hawaiian word for dried lava?

[Ans] Aa

[3B] Who was Richard Nixon's first vice-president?

[Ans] (Spiro) Agnew

[4A] Who won Best British Female Solo artist at the 2009 Brit Awards?

[Ans] Duffy

[4B] In the stories by PG Wodehouse, what is the name of the celebrated chef who works for Bertie Wooster's Aunt Dahlia?

[Ans] Anatole

[Round 8]

[1A] What large faraway place is the nickname of Mozart's symphony number 41 in C major?

[Ans] Jupiter

[1B] According to the Old Testament, who was the father of king David?

[Ans] Jesse

[2A] It once happened that four successive Summer Olympic Games were hosted by different cities with names all beginning with the same letter. What letter?

[Ans] M (Mexico City, Munich, Montreal, Moscow '68-'80)

[2B] Particularly used to describe its fur, what is the alternative name for the coypu?

[Ans] Nutria

[3A] What was the title of the 7-part comedy-drama series about foreign news reporters, starring Martin Jarvis, which was shown on BBC2 in summer 2009?

[Ans] *Taking the flak*

[3B] Name the only city mentioned in the title of a Marx Brothers film.

[Ans] Casablanca

[4A] In which French wine region does Hermitage originate?

[Ans] Côtes du Rhône

[4B] Give a year in the reign of King Stephen of England.

[Ans] 1135-1154

[Spares]

[1] A former First Sea Lord and Chief of Defence Staff, who is currently Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports?

[Ans] (Admiral Lord) Boyce

[2] Hannover is the capital of which German Land?

[Ans] Lower Saxony

[3] How many member countries of the G20 have a population of over 100 million people?

[Ans] 8 (China, India, Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, USA, Mexico, Japan,)

[4] What is the smallest living species of terrestrial mammal?

[Ans] (Etruscan) Pygmy shrew

[5] Who was the last British winner of a senior Wimbledon Singles title?

[Ans] (Virginia) Wade

[6] Which PG Wodehouse character has a name that begins with a silent P?

[Ans] Psmith

[7] Which is the only country mentioned in the title of a *Carry On* film?

[Ans] England

[8] Give a year in the reign of Alfred the Great.

[Ans] 871-99

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[Round 1]

[1A] In which country do the rivers Zambezi and Limpopo enter the ocean?

[Ans] MOZAMBIQUE

[1B] Which TV comedy duo frequented the Fat Ox pub?

[Ans] LIKELY LADS

[2A] Who replaced Helen Clarke as Prime Minister of New Zealand in November 2008?

[Ans] John KEY

[2B] Which cartoon family lived in Orbit City?

[Ans] THE JETSONS

[3A] Give the first name of either of the Grimm brothers who wrote fairy tales?

[Ans] JACOB or WILHELM

[3B] In Greek mythology what was the name of the Cyclops blinded by Odysseus?

[Ans] POLYPHEMUS

[4A] Who designed Stansted Airport Terminal?

[Ans] Norman FOSTER

[4B] Formigny in 1450 and Castillon in 1453 were battles near the end of which conflict?

[Ans] 100 YEARS WAR

[Round 2]

[1A] In Imperial measures how many links in a chain?

[Ans] 100

[1B] What flower is also called the fair maid of February?

[Ans] SNOWDROP

[2A] In physics what is defined as 'the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water 1 degree C'?

[Ans] A CALORIE

[2B] Where in the body is the malleus bone?

[Ans] THE EAR

[3A] Tony Mehan played drums for which British group founded in the 1950's?

[Ans] SHADOWS

[3B] Jerry Allison played drums for which American group founded in the 1950's?

[Ans] CRICKETS

[4A] How many American states were there in 1900?

[Ans] 45 (no Ok, Az, Nm, Al, H)

[4B] Which Roman Emperor succeeded Augustus?

[Ans] TIBERIUS

[Round 3]

[1A] In which Olympic athletic event, as at May 2009, is the world record for men 98.48 meters and for women 72.28 meters?

[Ans] JAVELIN

[1B] The journal entries of Jonathon Harker are part of which novel?

[Ans] DRACULA

[2A] What common, natural, food keeps almost indefinitely. It has been found edible in the tombs of Pharaohs?

[Ans] HONEY

[2B] How many US States eventually joined the Confederacy?

[Ans] 11

[3A] Which actress won Oscars for Dangerous in 1935, and Jezebel in 1938?

[Ans] Bette DAVIS

[3B] From which port did the Spanish Armada sail in 1588?

[Ans] LISBON

[4A] Which Flemish artist married Helene Fourment in 1630?

[Ans] Peter Paul RUBENS

[4B] Real Madrid won the first 5 European Cups. Which team, in 1961, won the sixth?

[Ans] BENFICA

[Round 4]

[1A] What was Voltaire's famous comment about the Holy Roman Empire?

[Ans] THAT IT WAS NIETHER HOLY NOR ROMAN NOR AN EMPIRE

[1B] In an electrical system what is the purpose of a rectifier?

[Ans] TO CONVERT ALTERNATING CURRENT TO DIRECT CURRENT

[2A] Which 14th century English monarch came to the throne aged 10?

[Ans] RICHARD 2nd

[2B] In the dice game craps name one of the 2 scores termed 'a natural'?

[Ans] 7 or 11

[3A] The fastest time for the Epsom Derby is 2 minutes 32.31seconds, set by which horse in 1995?

[Ans] LAMMTARRA

[3B] Who was the 2nd British driver to win the Formula One title?

[Ans] GRAHAM HILL

[4A] In which town or city is the University of Essex?

[Ans] COLCHESTER

[4B] What is the predominant colour of the head of a jackdaw?

[Ans] GRAY

[Round 5]

[1A] In which country are the rivers Fraser and Mackenzie?

[Ans] CANADA

[1B] What first name do Gary Glitter and Bono share?

[Ans] PAUL

[2A] Who replaced Bertie Ahern as Prime Minister of Ireland in May 2008?

[Ans] Brian COWAN

[2B] Which comedy duo frequented the Skinner's Arms?

[Ans] STEPTOE AND SON

[3A] Which African country has a name meaning 'Lion Mountain'?

[Ans] SIERRA LEONE

[3B] Which cartoon character lived in Sweetwater?

[Ans] POPEYE

[4A] Who designed St Pancras Station in London?

[Ans] GEORGE Gilbert SCOTT

[4B] The battles of Preston in 1648 and Dunbar in 1650 took place near the end of which conflict?

[Ans] ENGLISH CIVIL WAR

[Round 6]

[1A] In Imperial measures, how many pounds in a hundredweight?

[Ans] 112

[1B] What flower is also called the lent lily?

[Ans] DAFFODIL

[2A] In physics what has a speed in air of approximately 344 meters per second at 20 degrees Centigrade?

[Ans] SOUND

[2B] Where on the body is the talus bone?

[Ans] ANKLE

[3A] Which islands are named from the Roman for 'Isle of Dogs'?

[Ans] CANARY ISLES

[3B] In Greek mythology what was the name of the robber who made people fit his bed by cutting bits off them or stretching them?

[Ans] PROCRUSTES

[4A] Give the first name of one of Montgolfier balloon pioneers?

[Ans] JOSEPH or JACQUES (Joseph Michel, Jacques Etienne)

[4B] Which Roman Emperor preceded Nero?

[Ans] CLAUDIUS

[Round 7]

[1A] In which Olympic athletic event, as at May 2009, is the World Record 18.29 meters for men, and 15.5 meters for women?

[Ans] TRIPLE JUMP

[1B] In which novel by Charles Dickens are the chapters called 'Staves'?

[Ans] A CHRISTMAS CAROL

[2A] What is the only vitamin not found in eggs?

[Ans] C

[2B] What first name do Chuck Berry and Buddy Holly share?

[Ans] CHARLES

[3A] Which actress won Oscars for Gaslight (1944) and Anastasia (1956)?

[Ans] Ingrid BERGMAN

[3B] What was the name of Collingwood's ship at the battle of Trafalgar?

[Ans] ROYAL SOVERIEGN

[4A] Which Dutch artist married Catherina Bolnes in 1653?

[Ans] Jan VERMEER

[4B] Which country was, in 1960, the first to win the European Football Championship?

[Ans] USSR (accept Russia)

[Round 8]

[1A] According to Oscar Wilde, what is the curse of the drinking class?

[Ans] WORK

[1B] In an electrical circuit, apart from its use as a light emitting component, what is the function of a diode?

[Ans] TO ALLOW CURRENT TO FLOW IN ONLY ONE DIRECTION

[2A] Which 14th century English monarch came to the throne aged 14?

[Ans] EDWARD 3rd

[2B] In the dice game craps, give one of the scores termed 'crap'?

[Ans] 2,3 or 12

[3A] The fastest time for the Aintree Grand National is 8 minutes 47.8 seconds, set by which horse in 1990?

[Ans] MR FRISK

[3B] What nationality was the first winner of the Formula 1 World Championship?

[Ans] ITALIAN

[4A] In which town or city is the University of Northumberland?

[Ans] NEWCASTLE

[4B] The top part of the head of a bullfinch is what colour?

[Ans] BLACK

[Spares]

[1] Who designed the Hawker Hurricane aircraft?

[Ans] Sidney CAM

[2] What name is given to a double loin of beef?

[Ans] A BARON

[3] What is the name of the family at Stella Gibbon's Cold Comfort Farm?

[Ans] STARKADDER

[4] The Rowley Mile is at which racecourse?

[Ans] NEWMARKET

[5] Who wrote the Witches of Eastwick?

[Ans] John UPDIKE

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[Round 1]

[1A] In which year was the Russian "October Revolution" ?

[Ans] 1917

[1B] Which black actress won an Oscar playing the role of Mammy the maid in the 1939 film "Gone with Wind" ?

[Ans] HATTIE McDANIEL

[2A] Which organisation has the motto "*Let not the deep swallow me up*"?

[Ans] ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

[2B] Which actress, twice winner of a Best Actress Oscar, played Kimberly in the 1992 film of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" ?

[Ans] HILARY SWANK

[3A] The "Shining Path" are Maoist insurgents in which country?

[Ans] PERU

[3B] In the Flanders & Swann song of the same name what, in general terms, was "A Transport of Delight" ?

[Ans] A BIG SIX-WHEELER SCARLET-PAINTED LONDON TRANSPORT DIESEL-ENGINED 97-HORSEPOWER OMNIBUS - (but accept just BUS !)

[4A] Which 1925 novel tells of a mysterious financier's romantic and destructive passion for Daisy Buchanan ?

[Ans] THE GREAT GATSBY

[4B] The town of Darjeeling, famed for its tea plantations, is in which Indian State ?

[Ans] WEST BENGAL -- (need both words)

[Round 2]

[1A] Which classical composer's works are catalogued and identified by Hoboken numbers ?

[Ans] (Josef) HAYDN

[1B] In which south-west English county are there breweries called Hall & Woodhouse, Badger, Goldfinch, and Finch's?

[Ans] DORSET

[2A] Who won the 2009 Mercury Music Prize?

[Ans] SPEECH DEBELLE

[2B] What, since 1991, is the capital of Nigeria ?

[Ans] ABUJA

[3A] What is the name for a sentence which contains all 26 letters of the alphabet ?

[Ans] PANGRAM

[3B] Which fictional detective was often accompanied by, and sometimes helped by, Inspector Lestrade ?

[Ans] SHERLOCK HOLMES

[4A] Give one year in the reign of the Spanish king Philip the Second.

[Ans] ANY BETWEEN 1554 & 1598 INCLUSIVE

[4B] The man of the match trophy for the British Rugby League cup final is named after which former player ?

[Ans] LANCE TODD

[Round 3]

[1A] The fortified wine 'Marsala' is produced on which island ?

[Ans] SICILY

[1B] In the 1951 bio-pic "The Great Caruso", who played the title role ?

[Ans] (Mario) LANZA

[2A] With the addition of Jenson Button, how many British drivers have won the Formula One World Championship ?

[Ans] 10

[2B] Whose last words are reputed to have been "*That was a great game of golf, fellers*"?

[Ans] BING CROSBY

[3A] Situated in the human head what is the function of the parotid glands ?

[Ans] SALIVA PRODUCTION

[3B] Who was the first Astronomer Royal, appointed in 1675 ?

[Ans] (John) FLAMSTEED

[4A] The alphabetically last post code in the United Kingdom is ZE. Which islands does it cover ?

[Ans] SHETLANDS -- (it stands for Zetland -- don't allow Orkneys, code there is KW)

[4B] On which golf course was the 2009 British Open Championship held ?

[Ans] TURNBERRY

[Round 4]

[1A] An orchidectomy (*or - kid - ectomy*) is the surgical removal of what ?

[Ans] TESTICLE

[1B] Which influential English band released albums in the late 1970s called "Pink Flag" and "Chairs Missing" ?

[Ans] WIRE

[2A] Which Pope launched the First Crusade ?

[Ans] URBAN II -- (need both name and number)

[2B] In which month is Thanksgiving celebrated in Canada ?

[Ans] (Second Monday of) OCTOBER

[3A] The archaic & poetic name for this songbird is Philomel - how is it now commonly known ?

[Ans] NIGHTINGALE

[3B] Which African country that has qualified for the 2010 World Cup finals has a flag with horizontal bars of red, yellow and green with a central black star ?

[Ans] GHANA

[4A] In 1999, whose last film as a director featured a married couple, played by a married couple, on a sexual odyssey ?

[Ans] (Stanley) KUBRICK -- film was Eyes Wide Shut

[4B] In the series of "Just William" books, the first of which was published in 1922, what was William's surname ?

[Ans] BROWN

[Round 5]

[1A] Who won the 2009 Man Booker Prize ?

[Ans] HILARY MANTEL -- (for the novel "Wolf Hall")

[1B] What, since 1996, is the capital of Tanzania ?

[Ans] DODOMA

[2A] Which classical composer's works are catalogued and identified by Kirkpatrick numbers ?

[Ans] (Domenico) SCARLATTI

[2B] Which fictional detective was often accompanied by, and sometimes helped by, Captain Arthur Hastings ?

[Ans] (Hercule) POIROT

[3A] Give one year in the reign of the French King Louis the Thirteenth.

[Ans] ANY BETWEEN 1610 & 1643 INCLUSIVE

[3B] In which south-west English county are there breweries called Donnington, Freeminer, Stanway, and Battledown ?

[Ans] GLOUCESTERSHIRE

[4A] What is the type of poem in which the first, or last, letters of each line spell out a word or phrase ?

[Ans] ACROSTIC

[4B] The trophy awarded to the team winning the American Superbowl is named after which former coach ?

[Ans] VINCE LOMBARDI

[Round 6]

[1A] Which organisation has the motto "*Blood and Fire*" ?

[Ans] SALVATION ARMY

[1B] Who won the Oscar for "best director" for the 1939 film "Gone with Wind" ?

[Ans] VICTOR FLEMING

[2A] In which year was the Cuban Missile Crisis ?

[Ans] 1962

[2B] In the Flanders & Swann song which tradesman came to call on a Monday, thereby starting a chain of disasters ?

[Ans] GAS-MAN

[3A] Which 1929 novel, memorably filmed in 1930, has the young soldier Paul Baumer as narrator and central character ?

[Ans] ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT

[3B] Which actress, a former winner of the Best Actress Oscar, played Miss Stone in the 1994 film of "The Flintstones" ?

[Ans] HALLE BERRY

[4A] The Naxalite movement are Maoist insurgents in which country ?

[Ans] INDIA

[4B] China & India are the world's greatest producers of tea. Which country is next biggest ?

[Ans] KENYA -- overtook Sri Lanka in 2006

[Round 7]

[1A] In 1971, whose 1st feature film as a director featured a homicidal truck stalking a motorist played by Denis Weaver ?

[Ans] (Steven) SPIELBERG -- film was Duel

[1B] Which Asian country that has qualified for the 2010 World Cup finals has a flag with uneven horizontal bars of red, white and blue - with the centre stripe containing a red star on a white circle ?

[Ans] NORTH KOREA

[2A] In which half of which century was the First Crusade launched ?

[Ans] SECOND HALF OF THE 11TH CENTURY - actually 1095

[2B] In the series of "Biggles" books, the first of which was published in 1932, what was "Biggles" first name ?

[Ans] JAMES -- & his surname was Bigglesworth

[3A] The American name for this bird is Goatsucker - how is it commonly known in Britain ?

[Ans] NIGHTJAR

[3B] Which influential English band had albums in the late 1970s/early 1980s called "Unknown Pleasures" and "Closer" ?

[Ans] JOY DIVISION

[4A] A glossectomy is the surgical removal of what ?

[Ans] TONGUE

[4B] In which month is Commonwealth Day celebrated ?

[Ans] MARCH

[Round 8]

[1A] Malmsey is now used almost exclusively for a sweet wine made from the Malvasia grape produced on which island ?

[Ans] MADEIRA

[1B] Who was the first President of the Royal Academy, appointed in 1768 ?

[Ans] (Joshua) REYNOLDS

[2A] Alphabetically the first post code in the United Kingdom is AB. Which city, and its surroundings, does it cover ?

[Ans] ABERDEEN

[2B] It is the shortest golf hole on any Open Championship course, but what is the nickname of the 8th hole at Troon ?

[Ans] POSTAGE STAMP

[3A] Situated in the human head which gland secretes melatonin ?

[Ans] PINEAL GLAND

[3B] In the 1960 bio-pic "Song Without End", which composer did Dirk Bogarde portray ?

[Ans] (Franz) LISZT

[4A] Who, in 1958, was the first British driver to be Formula One World Champion ?

[Ans] (Mike) HAWTHORN

[4B] Which famous statesman's dying words are reputed to have been "*I'm bored with it all.*" ?

[Ans] (Winston) CHURCHILL

[Spares]

[1] What is the name of the long-distance footpath crossing the North York Moors between Ravenscar & Osmotherly ?

[Ans] LYKE WAKE WALK

[2] The winner of which sporting event is awarded the Venus Rosewater Dish ?

[Ans] WIMBLEDON LADIES SINGLES

[3] In which year was the Penny Black, the world's first adhesive postage stamps, first issued in the U.K. ?

[Ans] 1840

[4] What was the last Labour of Hercules ?

[Ans] BRING DOG CERBERUS UP FROM THE UNDERWORLD

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[Round 1]

[1A] Which country was formed by the union of British Togoland and the British Gold Coast ?

[Ans] Ghana

[1B] Michael Stipe, Peter Buck, and Mike Mills form which band ?

[Ans] R.E.M.

[2A] In Arthurian legends, what was the husband of Morgan le Fay?

[Ans] Ogier the Dane

[2B] What instrument did Humprey Lyttleton play ?

[Ans] Trumpet

[3A] The ASUS "eee PC", was the first of what type of computer ?

[Ans] Netbook

[3B] If the T in "CGT" is Tax, what does the C stand for ?

[Ans] Capital (as in Capital Gains Tax)

[4A] Who wrote the Kreutzer Sonata ?

[Ans] Leo TOLSTOY

[4B] In, Greek mythology, who is the ferryman who ferried the dead to the underworld ?

[Ans] Charon

[Round 2]

[1A] Booker T and the MG's "Soul Limbo" is used as the theme for the BBC's coverage of which sport?

[Ans] Cricket

[1B] Which sport is governed internationally by the FIE ?

[Ans] Fencing (Federation International d'Esgrime)

[2A] In astronomy, what is the M31 more commonly known ?

[Ans] Andromeda galaxy. (M is the Messier catalogue)

[2B] What is the name of the modern board game loosely based on a medieval city in south west France?

[Ans] Carcassonne

[3A] What sort of film cartoon dog were Pongo and Perdita ?

[Ans] Dalmatians

[3B] The swarm is the predecessor of which modern instrument ?

[Ans] Oboe

[4A] What tax is charged on a company's profits ?

[Ans] Corporation Tax

[4B] The guitarist Dave Evans used what stage name ?

[Ans] The Edge

[Round 3]

[1A] Which French Philosopher and Mathematician developed a mechanical adding machine in 1642?

[Ans] Blaise Pascal

[1B] In Athurian legends. The Fisher King was the uncle of which knight?

[Ans] Sir Percival

[2A] What is the name of the railway themed board game which is taken from a Beatles song ?

[Ans] Ticket to Ride

[2B] Boudica was the Queen of which British tribe ?

[Ans] Iceni

[3A] The sackbut is an early form of which instrument ?

[Ans] Trombone

[3B] Fleetwood Mac's "The Chain" is used as part of it's theme music for which sport ?

[Ans] Motor Racing (accept Formula One or Grand Prix)

[4A] Moreton Bay is outside which Australian city ?

[Ans] Brisbane

[4B] The iPhone and the Blackberry are examples of what type of gadget?

[Ans] Smartphone

[Round 4]

[1A] What instrument does Chris Barber play?

[Ans] Trombone.

[1B] Who wrote "A Study in Scarlet" ?

[Ans] Sir Arthur CONAN-DOYLE

[2A] In Greek mythology, who is the spirit of divine retribution ?

[Ans] Nemesis

[2B] What sort of a dog is Scooby Doo supposed to be ?

[Ans] A Great Dane

[3A] Which sport has two main forms, in Great Britain, of Association and Golf ?

[Ans] Croquet

[3B] Charon, Nix and Hydra are moons of which dwarf planet ?

[Ans] Pluto

[4A] Who was king of all England south of the Thames, or Wessex, from 871 to 901?

[Ans] Alfred the Great

[4B] Which Country was known as East Pakistan up to 1971 ?

[Ans] Bangladesh

[Round 5]

[1A] In the recent 2009 Tour de France which Briton won the last stage to Paris?

[Ans] Mark CAVENDISH

[1B] "A sheep in sheep's clothing" one Prime Minister about another. Name either.

[Ans] Churchill on Attlee

[2A] Which team was the last to join the Scottish Football League Third Division from another league ?

[Ans] Annan Athletic

[2B] Burbo Bank is at the entrance to which British port ?

[Ans] Liverpool

[3A] King Edward and Ailsa Craig are varieties of which vegetable?

[Ans] Potato

[3B] Which French philosopher coined "*Cogito ergo sum*" ("I think therefore I am")?

[Ans] Renee DESCARTES

[4A] "He has not a single redeeming defect". One Prime Minister about another. Name either.

[Ans] Disraeli on Gladstone

[4B] Little Marvel and Laxton's progress of varieties of which vegetable ?

[Ans] Pea

[Round 6]

[1A] In accounting, on a Balance Sheet, what would normally be listed between Stock and Cash at Bank ?

[Ans] Debtors

[1B] Which noted British retailer is celebrating its 125th anniversary in 2009 ?

[Ans] Marks and Spencer

[2A] Who first sailed the North West Passage in 1906 ?

[Ans] Roald AMUNDSEN

[2B] Who was the Chairman of the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs who resigned in October 2009 ?

[Ans] Prof David NUTT

[3A] Who novels include The Glass Bead Game and Steppenwolf?

[Ans] Hermann HESSE

[3B] In accounting what charge is made against Fixed Assets to reflect the effluxion of time ?

[Ans] Depreciation

[4A] Which Oxford Street department store is celebrating its centenary in 2009 ?

[Ans] Selfridges

[4B] Which team controversially was relegated to Scottish Football League Third Division for going into administration ?

[Ans] Livingstone

[Round 7]

[1A] Who was Archbishop of Canterbury during the Abdication Crisis of 1936 ?

[Ans] Cosmo LANG

[1B] HMS Erebus and HMS Terror were part of whose doomed attempt to find the North West passage in 1845 ?

[Ans] Sir John FRANKLIN

[2A] Which state has just erected a giant statue of Bill Clinton ?

[Ans] Kosovo

[2B] Who magnum opus is "The Man Without Qualities" ?

[Ans] Robert MUSIL

[3A] What is the orange-red hard French cheese produced around Lille ?

[Ans] Mimolette

[3B] In the recent World Athletic Championships, which British athlete won a bronze medal in the 1500 metres?

[Ans] Lisa DOBRISKY

[4A] What race course is at Prestbury Park ?

[Ans] Cheltenham

[4B] Who was Prime Minister during the Abdication Crisis of 1936?

[Ans] Stanley BALDWIN

[Round 8]

[1A] Which was the world's first practical steamboat, patented in 1801 by William Symington?

[Ans] The Charlotte Dundas

[1B] He's a mystery man, but how is Robin Gunningham better known?

[Ans] Banksy (the graffiti artist)

[2A] He's also a mystery man, but how is Ben Collins better known?

[Ans] The Stig (Top Gear)

[2B] What racecourse is at Gosport Park ?

[Ans] Newcastle

[3A] What is the semi hard, cows milk cheese from the Auvergne region of France which takes its name from the local mountains ?

[Ans] Cantal

[3B] Named for its shape which Steam Yacht cruises Coniston Water in the Lake District?

[Ans] Gondola

[4A] Where would you find Faraday, Altair, Charcot, Josephine and Romeo?

[Ans] North Atlantic Weather Forecast Areas

[4B] What is the deepest part of the North Atlantic In the Puerto Rico Trench?

[Ans] The Milwaukee Deep (28,231)

[Spares]

[1] What town was the capital of Roman Britain under the Roman Emperor Claudius?

[Ans] Colchester

[2] What is the name for the traditional practice of looking for underground water using a forked twig?

[Ans] Dowsing

[3] In which town was the world's oldest annual Marathon first run in 1897?

[Ans] Boston

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[Round 1]

[1A] Who played McMillan in the TV series *McMillan and Wife*?

[Ans] Rock **Hudson**

[1B] Cape Breton Island forms part of which of the Atlantic provinces of Canada?

[Ans] **Nova Scotia**

[2A] In which city is the early steam warship HMS Warrior preserved?

[Ans] **Portsmouth**

[2B] The battles of which great general included Ramilles, Oudenarde and Malplaquet?

[Ans] **Marlborough**

[3A] Which opera by Verdi is based on the novel *La dame aux Camélias* by Alexandre Dumas, fils?

[Ans] **La traviata**

[3B] Two letters in the NATO phonetic alphabet are designated by the name of a city of the Americas. One is Lima; name the other.

[Ans] **Quebec**

[4A] Which British athlete won gold in the women's 400m hurdles at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics?

[Ans] Sally **Gunnell**

[4B] Which notorious book did its author commence writing while in Landsberg prison between 1923 and 1924?

[Ans] **Mein Kampf**

[Round 2]

[1A] Millvina Dean died at the age of 97 in May 2009. To what event in April 1912, when she was nine weeks old, did she owe her (minor) fame?

[Ans] (sinking of) **Titanic** (last survivor)

[1B] The studio of which French painter is preserved in Aix en Provence, where he was born in 1839?

[Ans] Paul **Cézanne**

[2A] In 2003 *Chicago* became the first musical to win the Best Picture Oscar since which British film 34 years previously?

[Ans] **Oliver!**

[2B] Which country changed its currency from the Bolivar to the Bolivar Fuerte on 1 January 2008?

[Ans] **Venezuela**

[3A] For what specific type of product is the Sturmey-Archer company of Nottingham principally known?

[Ans] (hub-style) **bicycle gears**

[3B] Constantine I, the first Christian Roman Emperor, reigned during which century?

[Ans] **4th AD** (ie, the 300s)

[4A] Alexander Rybak singing 'Fairytale' won the 2009 Eurovision song contest in Moscow. Which country did he represent?

[Ans] **Norway**

[4B] What word follows 'Norway' in a name for the creature also known as the Dublin Bay prawn?

[Ans] **lobster**

[Round 3]

[1A] Who wrote the song *White Christmas*?

[Ans] Irving **Berlin**

[1B] What 6-letter word can be a heraldic symbol, a fish or a hairstyle?

[Ans] **Mullet**

[2A] The only American to reach that stage this century, who lost his third Wimbledon Men's Singles final to Roger Federer in 2009?

[Ans] Andy **Roddick**

[2B] In Shakespeare's play, who is Othello's wife?

[Ans] **Desdemona**

[3A] The first episode of *Coronation Street* was broadcast on 9 December of which year?

[Ans] **1960**

[3B] What is the most populous town or city in the ceremonial county of Bedfordshire?

[Ans] **Luton**

[4A] In which country did the 2009 epidemic of swine flu begin?

[Ans] **Mexico**

[4B] Which British statesman (1847-1929) said while at university that his ambitions were to marry an heiress, to own a Derby winner and to become Prime Minister; and achieved all three?

[Ans] **Rosebery**

[Round 4]

[1A] Thirteen chemical elements are symbolised by a single letter. Which is the first alphabetically?

[Ans] **boron**

[1B] What was Lenin's real surname?

[Ans] **Ulyanov**

[2A] Which eccentric pop group of the 1960s was led by Vivian Stanshall and Neil Innes?

[Ans] **Bonzo Dog Doodah Band**

[2B] Divorced in August 2009, who is the ex-husband of Amy Winehouse?

[Ans] Blake **Fielder-Civil**

[3A] Which England bowler was man of the match when the Ashes were regained in the 2009 Oval Test match?

[Ans] Stuart **Broad**

[3B] Under what pseudonym did Charles Hamilton write about the schoolboy Billy Bunter?

[Ans] Frank **Richards**

[4A] Phyllis Dietrichson played by Barbara Stanwyck was a memorable *femme fatale* in which classic 1944 *film noir*, directed by Billy Wilder and also starring Fred MacMurray?

[Ans] **Double Indemnity**

[4B] What is the longest river in Burma?

[Ans] **Irrawaddy**

[Round 5]

[1A] Who played Jennifer Hart in the TV series *Hart to Hart*?

[Ans] Stefanie **Powers**

[1B] There is a museum devoted to the work of which French painter and graphic artist in Albi, where he was born in 1864?

[Ans] Henri de **Toulouse-Lautrec**

[2A] A losing finalist twice since, who in 1999 was the last American not called Williams to win the Wimbledon Ladies' Singles title?

[Ans] Lindsay **Davenport**

[2B] Divorced in September 2009, who is the ex-husband of Katy Price?

[Ans] Peter **Andre**

[3A] Named after the type of occasion at which the real event took place, which Verdi opera is based on the assassination of King Gustav III of Sweden?

[Ans] **Un Ballo in Maschera/A masked ball**

[3B] The codification of Roman law ordered by the Emperor Justinian I occurred in which century?

[Ans] **6th AD** (ie the 500s)

[4A] With which country of the virulent world-wide flu epidemic of 1918 to 1920 associated?

[Ans] **Spain** (Spanish flu)

[4B] What is the longest river in Cambodia?

[Ans] **Mekong**

[Round 6]

[1A] Three chemical elements are symbolised by a single vowel. Which is the first alphabetically?

[Ans] **Iodine**

[1B] The shore of the Chesapeake Bay on the east coast of the USA lies in two states. Name either.

[Ans] **Maryland** or **Virginia**

[2A] In 2002, which film directed by Baz Luhrmann became the first musical to be nominated for the Best Picture Oscar since *All that Jazz* 22 years previously?

[Ans] **Moulin Rouge**

[2B] In Shakespeare's play, who is King Lear's youngest and most faithful daughter?

[Ans] **Cordelia**

[3A] Which batsman was the England and overall man of the series in the 2009 Ashes?

[Ans] Andrew **Strauss**

[3B] Two letters in the NATO phonetic alphabet are designated by the name of a dance? One is tango; what is the other?

[Ans] **Foxtrot**

[4A] Which well-known figure played piano in the UK Eurovision 2009 entry, sung by Jade Ewen?

[Ans] Andrew **Lloyd Webber**

[4B] Which British Prime Minister (1848-1930) was the first to own a car, acquired the epithet 'Bloody' and was the author of philosophical works including *The Foundations of Belief*?

[Ans] Arthur **Balfour**

[Round 7]

[1A] Who wrote the 1934 song *Anything Goes* from the musical of the same name?

[Ans] Cole **Porter**

[1B] What was Trotsky's real surname?

[Ans] **Bronstein**

[2A] In which city is the early steam merchant ship SS Great Britain preserved?

[Ans] **Bristol**

[2B] Which country changed its currency from the Inti to the New Sol in 1991, the Inti having replaced the 'old' Sol in 1985?

[Ans] **Peru**

[3A] The first episode of *EastEnders* was broadcast on 19 February of which year?

[Ans] **1985**

[3B] Which schoolboy was the eponymous hero of 25 novels by Anthony Buckeridge?

[Ans] **Jennings**

[4A] Which British athlete won gold in the heptathlon at the 2000 Sydney Olympics?

[Ans] Denise **Lewis**

[4B] What male forename is also the French word for hake or pollock?

[Ans] **Colin**

[Round 8]

[1A] Godfrey Rampling, father of the actress Charlotte, died in June 2009 at the age of 100. What did he achieve in Berlin in August 1936?

[Ans] **Olympic gold medal** (400m relay)

[1B] What 5-letter word can be a tool, a monkey or a method of training?

[Ans] **Drill**

[2A] In which spoof group did Neil Innes portray the Lennon-esque Ron Nasty, opposite Eric Idle's Dirk McQuickly?

[Ans] **The Rutles**

[2B] The battles of which great general included Vimeiro, Talavera and Salamanca?

[Ans] **Wellington**

[3A] What word of French origin describes the type of bicycle transmission system in which the chain is moved between multiple sprockets by a Bowden cable?

[Ans] **Derailleur**

[3B] What is the most populous town or city in the ceremonial county of Buckinghamshire?

[Ans] **Milton Keynes**

[4A] Perhaps the ultimate screen *femme fatale*, who played Gilda in the 1946 *film noir* of the same name?

[Ans] Rita **Hayworth**

[4B] Which notorious writer wrote much of his work in prison, most notably while in the Bastille between 1784 and 1789?

[Ans] Marquis De **Sade**

[Spares]

[1] Which soap was first broadcast on ITV on 16 October 1972?

[Ans] **Emmerdale Farm**

[2] What is the largest town or city in the ceremonial county of Wiltshire?

[Ans] **Swindon**

[3] Atomic number 12, which is the first element in the periodic table to be designated by two consonants?

[Ans] **Magnesium** (Mg)

[4] How is Josip Broz, born 1892, better known to history?

[Ans] Marshal **Tito**

[5] Which country won the first Eurovision Song Contest in 1956?

[Ans] **Switzerland**

[6] In Shakespeare's play, who is Hamlet's sweetheart?

[Ans] **Ophelia**

[7] Who was the last Australian batsman dismissed, for a century, when the Ashes were regained at the Oval in 2009?

[Ans] Mike **Hussey**

[8] How many letters in the NATO phonetic alphabet are designated by a male forename?

[Ans] **5** (Charlie, Mike, Oscar, Romeo, Victor)

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[Round 1]

[1A] Lesotho became independent in 1966. What was it previously called?

[Ans] BASUTOLAND

[1B] Who won the Norwich N by election for the Conservatives in July?

[Ans] CHLOE SMITH

[2A] A binary number is 1010. What is it as a decimal?

[Ans] 10 (ten)

[2B] In which city was the First Test in 2009 played between the British and Irish Lions and South Africa?

[Ans] DURBAN

[3A] Which US writer was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1962?

[Ans] JOHN STEINBECK

[3B] In differential calculus dv/dt represents which measure of motion?

[Ans] ACCELERATION

[4A] Who was forced to resign as the MP for Norwich N over accusations of misuse of expenses?

[Ans] IAN GIBSON

[4B] Botswana became independent in 1966. What was it previously called?

[Ans] BECHUANALAND

[Round 2]

[1A] In which city was the Second Test in 2009 played between the British and Irish Lions and South Africa played?

[Ans] PRETORIA

[1B] Which French writer was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1957?

[Ans] ALBERT CAMUS

[2A] Who first served as Prime Minister in 1924 and later from 1929 to 1935?

[Ans] RAMSAY MacDONALD

[2B] Which England football captain married a singer in an all girl group in 1958?

[Ans] BILLY WRIGHT (married Joy Beverley)

[3A] Who is the only football player to have been knighted while still playing professionally?

[Ans] SIR STANLEY MATTHEWS

[3B] Who served as Prime Minister from 1924 to 1929?

[Ans] STANLEY BALDWIN

[4A] What metal can be extracted from Chalcocite?

[Ans] COPPER

[4B] In which city would you find the Teatro Colon opera house?

[Ans] BUENOS AIRES

[Round 3]

[1A] Which county cricket club has as its badge a Tudor Rose?

[Ans] NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

[1B] Which metal can be extracted from Scheelite?

[Ans] TUNGSTEN

[2A] In which city would you find the Teatro Amazonas opera house?

[Ans] MANAUS

[2B] What is the unit of currency in Croatia?

[Ans] KUNA

[3A] Which physicist proposed each quanta of energy is equal to a constant times the frequency of the emitting source?

[Ans] MAX PLANK

[3B] Where will the 2012 Olympic sailing regatta be held?

[Ans] WEYMOUTH (accept PORTLAND)

[4A] What is the unit of currency in Slovakia?

[Ans] KORUNY

[4B] Which county cricket club has as its badge a Tudor Rose and a

Crown?

[Ans] HAMPSHIRE

[Round 4]

[1A] Where will the 2012 Olympic archery competition be held?

[Ans] LORDS CRICKET GROUND

[1B] Which scientist discovered X rays?

[Ans] WILHELM RONGTEN

[2A] What was the last battleship to be built for the Royal Navy?

[Ans] HMS VANGUARD

[2B] Which US President was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1919?

[Ans] WOODROW WILSON

[3A] Which female singer had a hit with How much is that doggy in the window?

[Ans] LITA ROZA

[3B] Which seaside resort is the setting in Only Fools and Horses for Jolly Boys Outing?

[Ans] MARGATE

[4A] Which public service moved from Bracknall to Exeter in 2003?

[Ans] THE MET OFFICE

[4B] What is the only muscle in the human body which is attached only at one end?

[Ans] THE TONGUE

[Round 5]

[1A] Which rugby player infamously faked a blood injury and then asked the team doctor to cut his lip?

[Ans] TOM WILLIAMS (Harlequins)

[1B] Which male singer had hits with Poor Little Fool and Hello Mary Lou?

[Ans] RICK NELSON

[2A] Richard Harris plays which character in the Harry Potter films?

[Ans] PROFESSOR DUMBLEDORE

[2B] What was the first iron hulled warship to be built for the Royal Navy?

[Ans] HMS WARRIOR

[3A] Which South African anti apartheid campaigner was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984?

[Ans] DESMOND TUTU

[3B] Parkhurst and Camp Hill are two of the three prisons on the Isle of Wight. What is the third?

[Ans] ALBANY

[4A] Where in the human body would you find the scaphoid bone?

[Ans] THE WRIST

[4B] Who murdered Martin Luther King?

[Ans] JAMES EARL RAY

[Round 6]

[1A] Which museum is situated in Shad Thames, Bermondsey?

[Ans] DESIGN MUSEUM

[1B] Which company manufactures a vehicle called a Sebring?

[Ans] CHRYSLER

[2A] Which river rises in Central Africa and flows eastwards to the Indian Ocean and separates S Africa from Zimbabwe?

[Ans] LIMPOPO

[2B] Which football team has the nickname 'The Trotters'?

[Ans] BOLTON WANDERERS

[3A] Who was the last Viceroy of India?

[Ans] EARL MOUNTBATTON

[3B] Which museum is situated in Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury.

[Ans] FOUNDLINGS MUSEUM

[4A] Who is the Chairman of the National Trust?

[Ans] SIMON JENKINS

[4B] Which river rises in Tibet and flows roughly southwards to the Bay of Bengal where it forms a delta with the Ganges?

[Ans] BHAHMAPUTRA (accept JAMUNA)

[Round 7]

[1A] Which company manufactures a vehicle called a Vito?

[Ans] MERCEDES

[1B] Which football club has the nickname 'The Hatters'?

[Ans] LUTON TOWN

[2A] What was the first cathedral to be built for the Anglican faith?

[Ans] ST PAULS

[2B] Who was the last Governor of Hong Kong?

[Ans] CHRIS PATTON

[3A] Spell MINUSCULE meaning tiny.

[Ans] MINUSCULE

[3B] Who is Chairman of the Ramblers Association?

[Ans] CHRIS SMITH

[4A] Who said 'I disapprove of what you say, but will defend to the death your right to do so'?

[Ans] VOLTAIRE

[4B] What is the most northerly cathedral in Britain?

[Ans] ST MAGNUS (Kirkwall)

[Round 8]

[1A] Whose recently published book is called Doors Open?

[Ans] IAN RANKIN

[1B] Spell SACRILEGIOUS meaning profane or desecrating.

[Ans] SACRILEGIOUS

[2A] Which world famous university has its campus at Palo Alto, California?

[Ans] STANFORD

[2B] Why was Castor Semenya's win at the World Athletics Championships in Berlin controversial?

[Ans] DOUBTS RAISED ABOUT HER GENDER

[3A] Which three times world champion and world record holder failed to register a height in the pole vault competition at the World Athletics Championship in Berlin?

[Ans] ELENA ISINBAEVA

[3B] In which town in Texas is the campus of the 'Aggies' (Agricultural and Mechanicals University) which is famous for its football team and other athletic squads.

[Ans] COLLEGE STATION

[4A] Name the fraudulent chairman of Polly Peck who fled to Cyprus in 1993?

[Ans] ASIL NADIL

[4B] Who said 'work is the curse of the drinking classes'?

[Ans] OSCAR WILDE

[Spares]

[1] Who wrote the recently published book entitled Scarpetta?

[Ans] Patricia CORNWALL

[2] Mysophobia is fear of what?

[Ans] DIRT

[3] The resort of Yalta is in which country?

[Ans] UKRAINE

[4] What is the spiked stick or prod used for driving cattle called?

[Ans] GOAD

[League] The Quiz League of London (QLL)
[Season] 2009-2010 League Round 09 Friendly
[Date] [2009-11-24] Tuesday 24th November 2009
[Setter] Set by Eclectics
[Note] All rounds are general. Spares 1 to 4 are for rounds 1 to 8, spares 5 and 6 are from round 8
[Information] For rules, score sheets and information about the league, please visit: www.QLL.org.uk

[Round 1]

[1A] According to Monty Python's *The Philosophers' Drinking Song*: who was a "beery swine/Who was just as sloshed as Schlegel"?

[Ans] WITTGENSTEIN

[1B] Of which fellow Python did John Cleese remark in 2009 that he "has never been able to accept .. that the Welsh .. were put on earth to carry out menial tasks for the English"?

[Ans] Terry JONES

[2A] According to economist J K Galbraith: There is no such thing as a free - what?

[Ans] LUNCH

[2B] According to economist JM Keynes: In the long run we are all - what?

[Ans] DEAD

[3A] Which TV "soap opera" took the air on the opening night of Channel Four and ran till 2003 gaining notoriety for a lesbian kiss?

[Ans] BROOKSIDE

[3B] Which much ridiculed "soap opera" ran from 1964 to 1988, had a short revival from 2001 to 2003, and was wickedly sent up by Victoria Wood in the TV sketch & stage show: *Acorn Antiques*?

[Ans] CROSSROADS

[4A] "When You Wish Upon a Star" and "Give a Little Whistle" are songs from which Disney film?

[Ans] PINOCCHIO

[4B] "The Bare Necessities" and "I Wan'na Be Like You" are songs from which Disney film?

[Ans] JUNGLE BOOK

[Round 2]

[1A] What is the capital of Mauritius?

[Ans] PORT LOUIS

[1B] In Hitler's Germany, who was head of the SS from 1929 and also of the Gestapo from 1936?

[Ans] Heinrich HIMMLER

[2A] What do we call the chemical once known as "Spirit of Salts"?

[Ans] HYDROCHLORIC ACID

[2B] Who provided the illustrations for *Alice's Adventures In Wonderland* & *Alice Through the Looking Glass*?

[Ans] John TENNIEL

[3A] On which canal, restored in 1974, could you cruise from either the Ashton Canal or the Macclesfield Canal to the Derbyshire town of Whaley Bridge?

[Ans] PEAK FOREST canal

[3B] The servant, Leporello is a bass-baritone role in which Mozart opera?

[Ans] DON GIOVANNI

[4A] Which Inner London Borough comprises the former Metropolitan Boroughs of Bethnal Green, Poplar & Stepney?

[Ans] TOWER HAMLETS

[4B] Which Engage Super League RL club's home Venue is Gilbert Brutus Stadium, Perpignan?

[Ans] CATALAN DRAGONS (Full name please)

[Round 3]

[1A] What is the real first name of Charles Dickens' "Little Dorrit"?

[Ans] AMY

[1B] Which composer, who died in 1958, wrote the hymn tune "Down Ampney" to which "Come down, O Love divine" is often sung?

[Ans] R VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

[2A] What do we call the chess piece known to the French as the fool?

[Ans] BISHOP

[2B] Fronsac, Pomerol & Sauternes are appellations in which French wine growing region?

[Ans] BORDEAUX

[3A] In which Test Match cricket ground are the Western Terraces notorious for rowdy behaviour?

[Ans] LEEDS/ HEADINGLEY

[3B] The "chalk" traditionally used on blackboards is not really chalk rock but which mineral?

[Ans] GYPSUM/ CALCIUM SULFATE

[4A] The word "wheal" in a Cornish place name indicates the presence of what?

[Ans] MINE/ FACTORY

[4B] What sort of hand-held woodworking tool may be further classified as being a firmer or a bevel-edge or a mortise?

[Ans] CHISEL

[Round 4]

[1A] Who directed the 1984 film "The Killing Fields"?

[Ans] Roland JOFFE

[1B] Give a year in the life of René Descartes.

[Ans] 1596 - 1650

[2A] Which English Cathedral is the third largest in floor area & was reputedly the world's tallest building until the collapse of its central spire in 1549?

[Ans] LINCOLN

[2B] Which band's first UK No. 1 album was *Atom Heart Mother* in 1970?

[Ans] PINK FLOYD

[3A] What is the name of the English gold coin first introduced in the reign of Edward III and having a value of six shillings & eight pence?

[Ans] NOBLE

[3B] In July 2006 which member of the Bank of England Monetary Policy Committee became director-general of the Confederation of British Industries?

[Ans] Richard LAMBERT

[4A] In 1989 which inventor patented the modern wind-up or clockwork radio and co-founded a company to produce them commercially?

[Ans] Trevor BAYLIS

[4B] What name is given to a spike, wedge, or peg that is driven into a rock or ice surface as a support in mountaineering and usually has an eye through which a rope may be passed?

[Ans] PITON

[Round 5]

[1A] What is the capital of Papua New Guinea?

[Ans] PORT MORESBY

[1B] In Hitler's Germany, who from 1933 was Minister for Propaganda?

[Ans] Josef GOEBBELS

[2A] What do we call the chemical once known as "Oil of Vitriol"?

[Ans] SULFURIC ACID

[2B] Who provided the illustrations for *Winnie the Pooh* and *The House at Pooh Corner*?

[Ans] EH SHEPARD

[3A] On which 78-mile long canal could you cruise from the River Thames to the Grand Union at Braunston or Napton or to the Coventry Canal at Bedworth?

[Ans] OXFORD CANAL

[3B] The bird catcher, Papageno is a baritone role in which Mozart opera?

[Ans] MAGIC FLUTE/DIE ZAUBERFLOTE

[4A] Which Inner London Borough comprises the former Metropolitan Boroughs of Hampstead, Holborn & St Pancras?

[Ans] CAMDEN

[4B] Which Engage Super League RL club's home venue is Brewery Field, Bridgend?

[Ans] CELTIC CRUSADERS Full name please)

[Round 6]

[1A] In Charles Dickens' "Great Expectations", what is Pip's surname

[Ans] PIRRIP (Philip)

[1B] Which composer, who died in 1934, wrote the hymn tune "Cranham" to which "In the bleak mid-winter" is often sung?

[Ans] Gustav HOLST

[2A] What do we call the chess piece known to the Germans as the peasant?

[Ans] PAWN

[2B] Muscadet, Pouilly Fumé & Sancerre are appellations in which French wine growing region?

[Ans] LOIRE

[3A] Regularly compared to the Western Terraces, in which Test Match cricket ground is Bay 13 notorious for rowdy behaviour?

[Ans] MELBOURNE/ MCG

[3B] The "lead" in a traditional pencil is not the element lead but which mineral allotrope?

[Ans] GRAPHITE/ PLUMBAGO

[4A] The suffix "_wich" in place names in Cheshire indicates the local production of what?

[Ans] SALT

[4B] What sort of hand-held woodworking tool may be further identified as being a jack or a block or a smoothing?

[Ans] PLANE

[Round 7]

[1A] Who directed the 1984 film "Birdy"?

[Ans] Alan PARKER

[1B] Give a year in the life of Sir Thomas More.

[Ans] 1478 - 1535

[2A] The West Tower and Front of which English Cathedral, famous for its chained library, fell down on Easter Monday in 1786?

[Ans] HEREFORD

[2B] Which band's first UK No. 1 album was *Fireball* in 1971?

[Ans] DEEP PURPLE

[3A] What is the name of the English gold coin, which replaced the noble and the ryal in the reign of Edward IV, which had various values until the guinea replaced it in the 17th century?

[Ans] ANGEL

[3B] In June 2003 who became general secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union later becoming Joint General Secretary of Unite?

[Ans] Tony WOODLEY

[4A] In 1934 what aid to motoring was patented by Percy Shaw, who set up a company to manufacture it?

[Ans] CATS EYES/ REFLECTING ROAD STUDS

[4B] What name is given to a metal hoop with a sprung or screwed gate that is used in mountaineering to hold freely running

rope, for instance, in attaching it to pitons?

[Ans] CARABINER (accept "CRAB" or SNAP LINK)

[Round 8]

[1A] Which open access rail company runs trains from London to Sunderland?

[Ans] GRAND CENTRAL

[1B] The open access rail company Wrexham & Shropshire runs trains to those destinations from which London terminus?

[Ans] MARYLEBONE

[2A] Played by Belinda Lang in the TV adaptation, Agatha Troy is the lady friend of which fictional policeman?

[Ans] Inspector Roderick ALLEYN

[2B] Played by Harriet Walter in the TV adaptation, Harriet Vane is the lady friend of which fictional amateur sleuth?

[Ans] Lord Peter WIMSEY

[3A] Which British Admiral drowned whilst losing the Battle of Coronel in 1914?

[Ans] CRADDOCK

[3B] Which British Admiral "evened the score for Coronel" with his victory at the Battle of the Falklands?

[Ans] STURDEE

[4A] Which county is celebrated in the title of John Betjeman's poem which begins: "Gaily into Ruislip Gardens/ Runs the red electric train.."?

[Ans] MIDDLESEX (Title of poem!)

[4B] What is the title of John Betjeman's poem which celebrates Miss Joan Hunter Dunn?

[Ans] A SUBALTERN'S LOVE-SONG

[Spares]

[1] Which commercially important clay is the product of the decomposition of feldspar in granite?

[Ans] CHINA CLAY/KAOLIN

[2] On which Greek Island is the ancient Minoan town of Thera?

[Ans] SANTORINI

[3] Who was the Aberdeen born architect who designed the churches of St Mary le Strand and St Martins in the Fields and has a building in Kings College, Cambridge named after him?

[Ans] HENRY GIBBS

[4] What additional title is carried by the widow of a peer to distinguish her from the wife of his successor?

[Ans] DOWAGER

[5] Standing on the River Bollin in Cheshire and owned by the National Trust, what is the name of what is now the world's only working water powered cotton mill?

[Ans] QUARRY BANK MILL

[6] Scene of a French military disaster in 1917, what is the name of the much fought over limestone ridge which lies between the rivers Aisne & Ailette?

[Ans] CHEMIN des DAMES

[League] The Quiz League of London (QLL)
[Season] 2009-2010 League Round 10 Friendly
[Date] [2009-12-01] Tuesday 1st December 2009
[Setter] Set by Telstars
[Note] All rounds are general
[Information] For rules, score sheets and information about the league, please visit: www.QLL.org.uk

[Round 1]

[1A] What is the family name of the owners of Hatfield House?

[Ans] CECIL

[1B] Which fort on the shore of Lake George in New York was surrendered to the French in August 1757?

[Ans] Fort WILLIAM HENRY

[2A] Atomic number 19, which chemical element takes its symbol from its Arabic name "al qalyah"?

[Ans] POTASSIUM (K, kalium)

[2B] Actor Michael French plays surgeon Mr Nick Jordan in *Casualty*. What was the name of the character he previously played in *Eastenders*?

[Ans] DAVID WICKS

[3A] In which film did Arnold Schwarzenegger play the character John Kimble?

[Ans] KINDER-GARTEN COP

[3B] Scots Dumpy, Brahma, Silkie and Maran are all breeds of what?

[Ans] CHICKENS

[4A] Give a year in the reign of King Stephen (of England).

[Ans] 1135-1154

[4B] What is the name of the novel by William Golding about the life, in flash-back, of a marooned naval officer?

[Ans] PINCHER MARTIN

[Round 2]

[1A] What common culinary herb has the Latin name *Allium sativum*?

[Ans] GARLIC

[1B] In Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale*, what unusual death is suffered by Antigonus?

[Ans] KILLED BY A BEAR

[2A] Whom did England beat in the final of the 2009 Women's Twenty20 World Cup?

[Ans] NEW ZEALAND

[2B] In which constituency did the Liberal-SDP Alliance win their first UK parliamentary by-election in October 1981?

[Ans] CROYDON NORTH-WEST

[3A] Which letter of the alphabet in English normally represents the speech sound described by phoneticians as a voiced velar (pronounced *vee-luh*) plosive?

[Ans] G

[3B] Which British Prime Minister is supposed to have said: "You've never had it so good"?

[Ans] Harold MACMILLAN (or Earl of STOCKTON)

[4A] Which British city's assay office uses an anchor as its hallmark for precious metals?

[Ans] BIRMINGHAM

[4B] Which white grapes are used to make champagne?

[Ans] CHARDONNAY

[Round 3]

[1A] The Ford Mondeo was launched in Europe in 1993 as a direct replacement for which car?

[Ans] SIERRA

[1B] A transistor has three wire connections which are labelled e, b and c. What does e, b & c stand for?

[Ans] EMITTER, BASE and COLLECTOR.

[2A] Which MP claimed more than £2000 in expenses to have his moat cleaned?

[Ans] Douglas HOGG

[2B] Which book of the Bible contains the longest verse?

[Ans] ESTHER

[3A] Loosely based upon Sir Walter Scott's historical novel *The Bride of Lammermoor*, who composed the opera *Lucia di Lammermoor*?

[Ans] Gaetano DONIZETTI

[3B] Which U.S. state has a flag depicting a white palm tree and

white crescent moon on a blue background?

[Ans] SOUTH CAROLINA

[4A] What are the two official languages of Israel?

[Ans] ARABIC, HEBREW

[4B] *The Story of My Life*, a UK number one hit for Michael Holliday, was penned by which American songwriting team?

[Ans] Burt BACHARACH and Hal DAVID

[Round 4]

[1A] Which island was given its rather inappropriate name by Norse explorer Erik the Red, who hoped that the name would attract settlers?

[Ans] GREENLAND

[1B] The Grand National and which other horse-race make up the Spring Double?

[Ans] The LINCOLN Handicap

[2A] From which London terminus did Phileas Fogg depart at the beginning of his journey *Around the World in 80 Days*?

[Ans] CHARING CROSS

[2B] Who in his *Essay on the Shaking Palsy* identified symptoms of the disease which was eventually named after him?

[Ans] James PARKINSON

[3A] In telecommunications, what do the letters ADSL stand for?

[Ans] ASYMMETRIC DIGITAL SUBSCRIBER LINE

[3B] In Greek mythology, what was the name of the empty space at the beginning of time, which has passed into the English language as a word meaning disorder or confusion?

[Ans] CHAOS

[4A] Which Premiership football club formerly played at the Victoria Ground?

[Ans] STOKE City

[4B] Which musical instrument is named after the Greek muse of Heroic or Epic poetry?

[Ans] CALLIOPE

[Round 5]

[1A] What is the family name of the owners of Alnwick Castle?

[Ans] PERCY

[1B] Who was the British commander who surrendered Fort William Henry to the Marquis de Montcalm in 1757?

[Ans] Lt-Col George MONRO

[2A] Atomic number 51, which chemical element, used once as a laxative, takes its symbol from its Latin name meaning "a mark"?

[Ans] ANTIMONY (Sb, stibium)

[2B] Actress Georgia Taylor plays Dr Ruth Winters in *Casualty*. What was the name of the character she previously played in *Coronation Street*?

[Ans] TOYAH BATTERSBY

[3A] In which film did Arnold Schwarzenegger play the character Julius Benedict?

[Ans] TWINS

[3B] Saanen, Pygmy, Angora and Toggenberg are all breeds of what?

[Ans] GOATS

[4A] Give a year in the reign of King William II (of England).

[Ans] 1087-1100

[4B] Who is the eponymous hero of a quartet of humorous books by Anthony Burgess?

[Ans] MR ENDERBY

[Round 6]

[1A] What common culinary herb has the Latin name *Salvia officinalis*?

[Ans] SAGE

[1B] In Shakespeare's *Richard III*, what unusual death is suffered by George, Duke of Clarence?

[Ans] DROWNED IN Malmsey WINE

[2A] Whom did Pakistan beat in the final of the 2009 Twenty20 World Cup?

[Ans] SRI LANKA

[2B] In which constituency did Shirley Williams win a parliamentary by-election for the Liberal-SDP Alliance in November 1981?

[Ans] CROSBY

[3A] Which letter of the alphabet in English normally represents the speech sound described by phoneticians as a voiceless alveolar plosive?

[Ans] T

[3B] Which British Prime Minister is supposed to have said: "The pound in your pocket will not be affected"?

[Ans] Harold WILSON (or Lord WILSON of Rievaulx)

[4A] Which British city's assay office uses a castle as its hallmark for precious metals?

[Ans] EDINBURGH

[4B] Red Bordeaux wine, made from grape varieties such as Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot, is known as what in England?

[Ans] CLARET

[Round 7]

[1A] Early models of the Vauxhall Vectra (manufactured by Opel) were known by what name in the UK until 1995?

[Ans] CAVALIER

[1B] In the days of steam radio, triode valves were used for amplification. The triode has a heater and three connections which can be equated to the emitter, base and collector of a transistor. Name one of these connections.

[Ans] CATHODE, GRID and ANODE (Accept PLATE for Anode)

[2A] Which MP claimed more than £1500 in expenses to build a floating duck house?

[Ans] Sir Peter VIGGERS

[2B] In the book of Esther, which Persian king makes Esther his queen?

[Ans] AHASUERUS

[3A] Containing the aria *Casta Diva*, made famous by Maria Callas, who composed the opera about a Celt called Norma?

[Ans] Vincenzo BELLINI

[3B] Which U.S. state has a flag depicting a yellow torch and eighteen yellow stars on a blue background?

[Ans] INDIANA

[4A] What are the two official languages of Sri Lanka?

[Ans] SINHALA (accept SINHALESE), TAMIL

[4B] *I'm Into Something Good*, a UK number one hit for Herman's Hermits, was penned by which American songwriting team?

[Ans] Gerry GOFFIN and Carole KING

[Round 8]

[1A] The name Vinland was used by the Norse explorer Leif Ericsson to describe the coast of which present-day country?

[Ans] CANADA

[1B] The Cesarewitch and which other horse-race make up the Autumn Double?

[Ans] The CAMBRIDGE-SHIRE Handicap

[2A] From which London terminus did Michael Palin depart at the beginning of his journey *Around the World in 80 Days*?

[Ans] VICTORIA

[2B] Which physician first described the symptoms of acute or chronic nephritis, the disease subsequently being named after him?

[Ans] Richard BRIGHT

[3A] In telecommunications, what do the letters VOIP stand for?

[Ans] VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL

[3B] In Milton's *Paradise Lost*, what was the name of the capital of Hell, which has passed into the English language as a word meaning din or uproar?

[Ans] PANDE-MONIUM

[4A] Which Premiership football club formerly played at Burnden Park?

[Ans] BOLTON Wanderers

[4B] Sold in some countries as a version of the Renault Clio and sharing the same name as an American singer and Portuguese wine, which car is named after the Greek muse of Comedy?

[Ans] Renault THALIA

[Spares]

[1] Four countries have reached the final of the FIFA World Cup but have never won the trophy – Czechoslovakia, Holland, Hungary and which other?

[Ans] SWEDEN

[2] Who, according to a 1986 hit for Stan Ridgway, was "an awfully strange marine"?

[Ans] CAMOUFLAGE

[3] Of what is hippopotomonstrosesquipedaliophobia the fear?

[Ans] LONG WORDS

[League] The Quiz League of London (QLL)
[Season] 2009-2010 League Round 13 Friendly
[Date] [2010-01-05] Tuesday 5th January 2010
[Setter] Set by Wharfside
[Note] All rounds are general
[Information] For rules, score sheets and information about the league, please visit: www.QLL.org.uk

[Round 1]

[1A] With regard to Birds what does the word Nidification mean?

[Ans] Nest Building

[1B] In a set of 28 dominoes how many have a total of exactly 6 dots?

[Ans] Four

[2A] When ordering paper or printed material the abbreviation GSM is sometimes used to specify grade of paper. What does this abbreviation stand for?

[Ans] Grams per Sq Metre

[2B] Which US President had the middle name Gamaliel?

[Ans] Warren HARDING

[3A] In the Empire and Commonwealth Games until 1966 two imperial distances were run in the track and field instead of 5,000 and 10,000 metres, name either of them?

[Ans] 3 miles or 6 miles

[3B] At the battle of Copenhagen in 1801 Nelson was second in command, who was first?

[Ans] Hyde PARKER

[4A] The Author Enid Bagnold wrote which novel later made into a much loved sport-themed 1944 movie?

[Ans] National Velvet

[4B] What is the smallest country in South America?

[Ans] French Guyana.

[Round 2]

[1A] When Thierry Henri controversially got away with hand ball in a world cup play off match against Ireland, who scored the goal?

[Ans] William GALLAS

[1B] What was the name of Dr Doolittle's parrot?

[Ans] Polynesia

[2A] To which college did Elaine go in the film The Graduate?

[Ans] Berkeley

[2B] In which city is the start of Hitchcock's Psycho set?

[Ans] Phoenix

[3A] Who won the Eurovision song contest in bare feet?

[Ans] Sandie Shaw

[3B] Which famous sailor's boat was called lively lady?

[Ans] Alec Rose

[4A] Three of the fifty US States have a shape that is formed only by lines of longitude and latitude. Two are four sided, which one is six sided?

[Ans] Utah

[4B] Which British Prime Ministers hobby was brick laying?

[Ans] Winston Churchill

[Round 3]

[1A] Which no1 hit of the 1970's begins with the lines 'It wont be easy , you'll think it strange. When I try to explain how I feel'?

[Ans] Don't cry for me Argentina

[1B] What colour beret is worn by members of the SAS?

[Ans] Beige or Sand coloured

[2A] What is the name of the breed of large draft horses that take their name from an area of Northern France?

[Ans] Percherons

[2B] By what name is children's author Theodor Geisel better known?

[Ans] Dr Seuss

[3A] What is the second largest country in Africa?

[Ans] Algeria

[3B] To which creatures does the adjective lutrine refer?

[Ans] Otter

[4A] A two part answer required. What age was the Queen when she ascended the throne and what age on her coronation?

[Ans] 25 and 27

[4B] What does a galactophagist drink?

[Ans] Milk

[Round 4]

[1A] What was the name of the nightclub opened in Soho in 1961 by Peter Cook?

[Ans] The Establishment

[1B] Why were the times achieved by runners unusually slow at the Olympic 3000 metre steeplechase in 1932?

[Ans] They ran one lap too many.

[2A] The city of capitals building became Europe's tallest in 2009. In which city is it located?

[Ans] Moscow

[2B] Which novel begins, 'An easterly is the most disagreeable wind in Lyme Bay'?

[Ans] The French Lieutenants Woman

[3A] In which southern hemisphere country does the card game Canasta originate?

[Ans] Uruguay

[3B] In which 1970's movie, set in 1959 did the fictitious rock n roll group Johnny Casino and the Gamblers appear?

[Ans] Grease

[4A] In Bob the Builder what is the name of the Farmers dog?

[Ans] Scrufty

[4B] At number 20 on the BBC 2002 list 100 Greatest Britons, which Nobel prize winner was the highest Scot on the list?

[Ans] Sir Alexander Fleming

[Round 5]

[1A] The vitamin Riboflavin is also known by what two character alpha-numeric name?

[Ans] B2

[1B] How many Mitford sisters were there?

[Ans] SIX

[2A] How many members of the Village People were there?

[Ans] SIX

[2B] What is the length of the hypotenuse on a right-angled triangle if the two other sides are 5cm and 12cm long?

[Ans] 13cm

[3A] What is the five word inscription that appears prominently on Karl Marx's tomb in Highgate Cemetery?

[Ans] Workers of all lands unite

[3B] Which comedian made the first ever mobile phone call in the UK? The date was 1st January 1985, the place St Katherine's Dock.

[Ans] Ernie Wise

[4A] At number 16 on the 100 Greatest Britons who was the highest placed living person?

[Ans] Margaret Thatcher

[4B] Pellagra is a disease caused by the deficiency of which vitamin? (Accept name or alpha numeric)

[Ans] B3 or NIACIN

[Round 6]

[1A] What is the name of Noddy's house?

[Ans] House for one

[1B] If a dish includes Du Barry in its name what vegetable does it contain?

[Ans] Cauliflower

[2A] What newspaper did Clark Kent work for?

[Ans] The Daily Planet

[2B] Which novel begins 'it was the best of times it was the worst of times'?

[Ans] A tale of two cities

[3A] Who will be the captain of the USA team at the 2010 Ryder cup?

[Ans] Corey Pavin

[3B] Which organisation arranged for the construction of Karl Marx's tomb that was built in the 1950's?

[Ans] The British Communist Party

[4A] Which comedian made the first ever ATM withdrawal in the UK which was in 1967 at Barclays Bank Enfield?

[Ans] Reg Varney

[4B] How high is the middle of a tennis court net (in inches)?

[Ans] 36 inches

[Round 7]

[1A] What is the largest state in New England?

[Ans] Maine

[1B] What does an oophagist eat?

[Ans] Eggs

[2A] Who won the 1960 Olympic marathon running barefoot?

[Ans] Abebe BIKILA

[2B] Which resort will host the 2010 Ryder cup?

[Ans] Celtic Manor

[3A] Which famous sportsman opened nightclubs called Oscars and Slack Alice?

[Ans] George BEST

[3B] With which newspaper does Peter Parker get a job as photographer when he's not being Spiderman?

[Ans] The Daily Bugle

[4A] Emley Moor Tower, the tallest free standing tower in the UK is in which county?

[Ans] West YORKSHIRE

[4B] Who nearly perished in his boat Exide Challenger in the Southern Ocean in 1997?

[Ans] Tony BULLIMORE

[Round 8]

[1A] What is the country of origin of the Falabella horse?

[Ans] Argentina

[1B] Which hit record includes the lyrics 'I was sick and tired of

everything, When I called you last night from Glasgow'?

[Ans] Souper Trouper by Abba

[2A] What is the exact diameter of a golf hole in imperial measurements?

[Ans] Four and a quarter inches

[2B] To which creatures does the adjective Pavonine refer?

[Ans] Peacock

[3A] In scrabble how many letters of the alphabet are worth 2 points?

[Ans] 2 (D and G)

[3B] What comedian was given a special award at the 2009 BBC sports personality of the year ceremony?

[Ans] Eddie Izzard

[4A] Name any one of the three sportsmen who has won the sports personality of the year award twice?

[Ans] Henry Cooper Nigel Mansell Damon Hill

[4B] What was the name of the album by James Blunt which was the best seller of the decade 2000-2009 in the UK?

[Ans] Back to bedlam

[Spares]

[1] In Maths what name is given to the point of intersection of the x and y axis?

[Ans] Origin

[2] 'Gorillas in the mist' is a 1988 film set in which country?

[Ans] Rwanda

[3] What number appears on the side of Thomas the Tank?

[Ans] one

[4] What is the total number of degrees in the internal angles of a pentagon?

[Ans] 540 degrees

[5] According to a new biography which Hollywood actor claims to have slept with over 12,000 women?

[Ans] Warren Beatty

[6] Which song begins with the line 'Hello darkness my old friend'?

[Ans] The sound of silence by Simon and Garfunkel

[7] Kim Peek who died in 2009 was the inspiration for which 1988 film starring Dustin Hoffman?

[Ans] Rain Man

[8] Which European capital city lies at the confluence of the Danube and Sava rivers?

[Ans] Belgrade

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[Round 1]

[1A] In 2008 which diver became Britain's second youngest male Summer Olympian?

[Ans] **(Tom) Daley**

[1B] What liqueur is added to a screwdriver to make a Harvey Wallbanger?

[Ans] **Galliano**

[2A] What word can be created by combining the chemical symbols for tin, oxygen and tungsten?

[Ans] **Snow**

[2B] Name the capital of the Caribbean island state of St Vincent and the Grenadines.

[Ans] **Kingstown**

[3A] What was the title of the UK'S first No 1 hit single, for Al Martino in 1952?

[Ans] **Here in my Heart**

[3B] Which football team has won the FA Cup seven times, but most recently over 50 years ago in 1957?

[Ans] **Aston Villa**

[4A] Give any year in the Thirty Years War.

[Ans] **1618 to 1648**

[4B] Who played the title role in the 1968 film *Oliver*?

[Ans] **(Mark) Lester**

[Round 2]

[1A] Which spirit is the main alcoholic ingredient of a Bloody Mary?

[Ans] **Vodka**

[1B] What word can be made from the chemical symbols for potassium, nickel and iron?

[Ans] **Knife**

[2A] Name the capital of the Caribbean island of St Lucia.

[Ans] **Castries**

[2B] Directed by Sam Taylor Wood, which 2009 film charts the early life of John Lennon?

[Ans] **Nowhere Boy**

[3A] Which football club won the FA Cup three times in the 1920s, and again in 1958 but not for over 50 years since?

[Ans] **Bolton Wanderers**

[3B] The Hu? and My Lai massacres occurred during which conflict?

[Ans] **Vietnam War**

[4A] At one time perhaps best known as the Old Spice music, who composed *Carmina Burana*?

[Ans] **(Carl) Orff**

[4B] Who is the only man to have been both President of the USA and Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court?

[Ans] **(William) Taft**

[Round 3]

[1A] Apart from brood or flock, what other word is a collective noun for turkeys?

[Ans] **Rafter**

[1B] Standing on the shore of Belfast Lough, what is the largest castle in Northern Ireland?

[Ans] **Carrickfergus**

[2A] Actor Omar Sharif is an expert player of which card game?

[Ans] **Bridge**

[2B] Which Australian became in 2009 the youngest batsman to score a century in each innings of a Test Match?

[Ans] **(Phillip) Hughes**

[3A] The largest capitulation in British military history, in which city did Lieutenant-General Arthur Percival surrender his forces to the enemy in February 1942.

[Ans] **Singapore**

[3B] Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen was the longest-serving and longest-lived Premier of which Australian State, serving from 1968 to 1987?

[Ans] **Queensland**

[4A] Who played the title character in the 1963 film *Tom Jones*?

[Ans] **(Albert) Finney**

[4B] Who wrote *The Time Traveller's Wife* published in 2003?

[Ans] **(Audrey) Niffenegger**

[Round 4]

[1A] Situated on the shore of the Boyne in County Meath, what is the largest castle in the Republic of Ireland?

[Ans] **Trim**

[1B] Writer Victoria Coren is also a professional player of which card game?

[Ans] **Poker**

[2A] Who is Chairman of the US Federal Reserve?

[Ans] **(Ben) Bernanke**

[2B] Give any year in the Seven Years War.

[Ans] **1756 to 1763**

[3A] Who was Prime Minister of Australia from 1939 to 1941 and 1949 to 1966?

[Ans] **(Sir Robert) Menzies**

[3B] A hit for *X Factor* winner Joe McElderry, what was the last UK No 1 of 2009?

[Ans] **The Climb**

[4A] In October 2009, following an advance of \$5m, Audrey Niffenegger published her second novel following *The Time Traveller's Wife*. What is its title?

[Ans] **Her Fearful Symmetry**

[4B] A group of what type of bird could be described as a pitying or a dule?

[Ans] **Turtledove**

[Round 5]

[1A] The John Godber play *Blood, Sweat and Tears* is about sportswoman Karen Briggs. At which sport does she excel?

[Ans] **Judo**

[1B] Name the fictional Paper Merchants which is the setting for TV's *The Office*?

[Ans] **Wernham Hogg**

[2A] Who is the fourth man in this series: Donald Maclean, Guy Burgess, Kim Philby?

[Ans] **(Anthony) Blunt**

[2B] The award-winning 2009 British comedy film *In the Loop* is a spin-off from which BBC comedy series?

[Ans] **The Thick of It**

[3A] Aulidius is the main adversary of the title character in which Shakespeare play?

[Ans] **Coriolanus**

[3B] The songs "Anything you can do" and "There's no business like show business" feature in which Irving Berlin musical?

[Ans] **Annie Get Your Gun**

[4A] What is the state capital of Wyoming?

[Ans] **Cheyenne**

[4B] *Pica pica* is the Latin name for which bird?

[Ans] **(Common/European) Magpie**

[Round 6]

[1A] Who composed *Orpheus in the Underworld*?

[Ans] **(Jacques) Offenbach**

[1B] Which character tames the shrew in Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*?

[Ans] **Petruchio**

[2A] The main characters in which Rodgers and Hammerstein musical include Curly McLain, Laurey Williams and Jud Fry?

[Ans] **Oklahoma**

[2B] In which year did Mrs Thatcher expose Anthony Blunt as The Fourth Man?

[Ans] **1979**

[3A] *Troglodytes troglodytes* is the Latin name for which bird?

[Ans] **(Northern/Winter) Wren**

[3B] Which sport features in the films *Paradise Alley* (1978) and *Below the Belt* (1980)?

[Ans] **Wrestling**

[4A] "When the whistle blows" is the name of a lame fictional sitcom which features in which TV comedy series?

[Ans] **Extras**

[4B] The Scopes Monkey Trial of 1925, on which the play and film *Inherit the Wind* were based, took place in which US state?

[Ans] **Tennessee**

[Round 7]

[1A] Who was dictator of Albania from 1944 to 1985?

[Ans] **(Enver) Hoxha**

[1B] In which city was the Jallianwala Bagh massacre ordered by Brigadier-General Reginald Dyer in 1919?

[Ans] **Amritsar**

[2A] Alceste, a man who rejects all society's polite social conventions, is the title character of which Molière play?

[Ans] **Le Misanthrope**

[2B] The interval entertainment at the 1994 Eurovision Song Contest in Dublin was the first performance of which theatrical show, which subsequently enjoyed worldwide success and is currently on a farewell tour?

[Ans] **Riverdance**

[3A] What type of wood is used to make baseball bats and hurley sticks?

[Ans] **Ash**

[3B] Which US state is known as the Hawkeye State?

[Ans] **Iowa**

[4A] Which Welsh football club were playing at Somerton Park when they lost their Football League status in 1988?

[Ans] **Newport County**

[4B] Who chaired the 52nd series of Radio 4's *I'm sorry I haven't a clue* broadcast in November and December 2009?

[Ans] **(Jack) Dee**

[Round 8]

[1A] Which act created by Mike Batt provided the interval entertainment for the 1974 Eurovision Song Contest held in Brighton?

[Ans] **The Wombles**

[1B] Fidel Castro deposed which Cuban dictator in 1959?

[Ans] **(Fulgencio) Batista**

[2A] Which US state's Flag consists of eight golden stars forming the Big Dipper and the North Star on a blue background?

[Ans] **Alaska**

[2B] In which Molière play is the title character a hypocrite who worms his way into the affections of Orgon and almost takes over his household?

[Ans] **Tartuffe**

[3A] Name the recent Radio 4 comedy by Mark Evans, broadcast in November and December 2009, whose title and style satirises Charles Dickens.

[Ans] **Bleak Expectations**

[3B] The Willow tree belongs to which genus?

[Ans] **Salix**

[4A] In which city did Field Marshall Friedrich Paulus surrender in January 1943?

[Ans] **Stalingrad**

[4B] Which English football club, which was relegated from the Football League in 1993 and dissolved in 2008, played its home games at The Shay?

[Ans] **Halifax (Town)**

[Spares]

[1] Situated about 3 miles from Cardiff, what is the largest castle in Wales?

[Ans] **Caerphilly**

[2] What is the aptly named home ground of Castleford Tigers Rugby League club?

[Ans] **The Jungle**

[3] In the Disney film, Cinderella's Ugly Sisters have names. One is Anastasia Tremaine. What is the other?

[Ans] **Drizella (Tremaine)**

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[Round 1]

[1A] Who scored the Leeds goal that knocked Manchester United out of the 2009-10 FA Cup?

[Ans] (Jermaine) BECKFORD

[1B] Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta is an American pop singer better known under what stage name?

[Ans] LADY GAGA

[2A] The two major types of pension scheme in the UK are known as 'defined benefit' and 'defined ...' what?

[Ans] CONTRIBUTION

[2B] Which English actor played Mr Orange in the 1992 film *Reservoir Dogs* and Pumpkin in the 1994 film *Pulp Fiction*?

[Ans] (Tim) ROTH

[3A] Of the 12 signs of the Chinese Zodiac, which is the only one that is not a real creature?

[Ans] DRAGON

[3B] Working in which art form did Grayson Perry win the 2003 Turner Prize?

[Ans] POTTERY/CERAMICS

[4A] The battles of Inkerman and Balaclava were in which war?

[Ans] CRIMEAN War

[4B] Give a year in the life of composer Felix Mendelssohn.

[Ans] 1809-1847

[Round 2]

[1A] Which American actor played Mr White in the 1992 film *Reservoir Dogs* and 'the Wolf' in the 1994 film *Pulp Fiction*?

[Ans] (Harvey) KEITEL

[1B] A major shift in personal pension provision in the UK begins in 2012. It is known as 'automatic ...' what?

[Ans] ENROLMENT

[2A] In which of the visual arts do Sally Mann, Jeff Wall and 2000 Turner Prize winner Wolfgang Tillmans principally work?

[Ans] PHOTOGRAPHY

[2B] Which US state has its capital at Carson City?

[Ans] NEVADA

[3A] Who succeeded Queen Anne as the British monarch, subsequently reigning from 1714-1727?

[Ans] GEORGE I (the First)

[3B] KCNA is the state news agency of which Asian country?

[Ans] NORTH KOREA (Korean Central News Agency)

[4A] Which BBC sitcom, first broadcast in 1979 and named after its main characters, was a *de facto* continuation of an earlier comedy series called *Happy Ever After*?

[Ans] TERRY AND JUNE

[4B] Who won the sixth series of the *X Factor* just before Christmas 2009?

[Ans] (Joe) McELDERRY

[Round 3]

[1A] Who wrote the early 20th century espionage novel *The Riddle Of The Sands*?

[Ans] (Erskine) CHILDERS

[1B] Which late 1970s ITV sitcom named after its two main characters was a spin-off from *Man About the House*?

[Ans] GEORGE AND MILDRED

[2A] England one-day cricketer Luke Wright played for which English county side in the 2009 season?

[Ans] SUSSEX

[2B] Which of the 12 signs of the Chinese Zodiac is a bird?

[Ans] ROOSTER

[3A] Which US state has its capital at Lincoln?

[Ans] NEBRASKA

[3B] The battles of Colenso and Spion Kop were in which war?

[Ans] (2nd) BOER War

[4A] Give a year in the life of composer Johannes Brahms.

[Ans] 1833-1897

[4B] Four 'Conference' teams from the Blue Square Premier league qualified for the 3rd round of the 2009-10 FA Cup. Which team, drawn against Notts County, was the only one never to have played in the Football League?

[Ans] FOREST GREEN Rovers

[Round 4]

[1A] Which band took the 2009 UK Christmas number one spot following an internet campaign to end the 4-year domination by the *X Factor* winner?

[Ans] RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

[1B] Who wrote the 19th century detective novel *The Moonstone*?

[Ans] (Wilkie) COLLINS

[2A] In the nursery rhyme, what did the 'Three Wise Men of Gotham' go to sea in?

[Ans] BOWL

[2B] Who succeeded Richard III (the Third) as the English monarch, subsequently reigning from 1485-1509?

[Ans] HENRY VII (the Seventh)

[3A] Alecia Beth Moore is an American pop singer better known under what stage name?

[Ans] PINK (P!NK for the pedants!)

[3B] England one-day cricketer Joe Denly played for which English county side in the 2009 season?

[Ans] KENT

[4A] IRNA is the official news agency of which Asian country?

[Ans] IRAN (Islamic Republic News Agency)

[4B] The early residents of which American city were known as Gothamites?

[Ans] NEW YORK

[Round 5]

[1A] How many horizontal red stripes are there on the flag of the United States of America?

[Ans] SEVEN

[1B] The popular late-1960s television show *The Banana Splits Adventure Hour* featured, among others, the characters Fleagle, Bingo, Drooper and Snorky. What kind of animal was Bingo?

[Ans] GORILLA

[2A] Prime Minister Harold Wilson used his middle name, Harold, as his principal forename. What was his actual first name?

[Ans] JAMES

[2B] *Room on the 3rd Floor*, *Wonderland*, and *Motion in the Ocean* are all albums by which contemporary British band?

[Ans] McFLY

[3A] In Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, which character speaks the last words of the play?

[Ans] FORTINBRAS

[3B] Atomic number 9 in the Periodic Table, which is the lightest of the halogens?

[Ans] FLOURINE

[4A] *Final Straw*, *Eyes Open*, and *A Hundred Million Suns* are all albums by which contemporary British band?

[Ans] SNOW PATROL

[4B] Before Barack Obama in 2009, who was the last US President to win the Nobel Peace Prize, although he had long left office when given the honour?

[Ans] Jimmy CARTER (2002)

[Round 6]

[1A] On the London Underground, which station is the first you will reach when travelling north from Camden Town on the Edgware branch of the Northern Line?

[Ans] CHALK FARM

[1B] Which type of fish is the main ingredient of stargazey pie?

[Ans] PILCHARDS (accept SARDINES)

[2A] Which seaside town, known as "the Queen of the Welsh Resorts", is famous for its North Shore curving between the Great and Little Ormes?

[Ans] LLANDUDNO

[2B] In which year of the 1960s did almost all the modern states formed from France's African colonies, for example Mauritania and Niger, declare full independence?

[Ans] 1960

[3A] Which fish is the traditional main ingredient of cullen skink?

[Ans] (Finnan) HADDOCK

[3B] Who played the title role in the 2003 film *Johnny English* in which the hero is an incompetent secret agent based on a character originally seen in TV advertisements.

[Ans] (Rowan) ATKINSON

[4A] In *The Banana Splits Adventure Hour*, what kind of animal was Drooper?

[Ans] LION

[4B] In Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, which character speaks the last words of the play?

[Ans] MALCOLM

[Round 7]

[1A] In the famous square of which European capital city did McDonald's open a restaurant on January 31st 1990, breaking the record for the number of customers served in a branch on its opening day?

[Ans] MOSCOW (Red Square)

[1B] Which Welsh port, which has been described as "the place where pebbledash goes to die", is the largest town on Anglesey?

[Ans] HOLYHEAD

[2A] In which year of the 1970s was independence granted to most of Portugal's African colonies, including Mozambique and Angola?

[Ans] 1975

[2B] On the London Underground, which station is the first you reach when travelling south from Earl's Court on the Wimbledon branch of the District Line?

[Ans] WEST BROMPTON

[3A] British soldiers will soon be wearing their first new all-purpose

uniform in 40 years. Its design is known as the MTP, in which 'M' stands for Multi, and 'P' stands for Pattern. What does the 'T' stand for?

[Ans] TERRAIN

[3B] Prime Minister James Callaghan used his middle name, James, as his principal forename. What was his actual first name?

[Ans] LEONARD

[4A] In the standard ranking for hands of poker, which hand of five cards comes immediately above a flush?

[Ans] FULL HOUSE

[4B] Which 2008 film, directed by Steve McQueen, told the story of the events surrounding the 1981 protests by Republican inmates in Belfast's Maze prison?

[Ans] HUNGER

[Round 8]

[1A] Who was the first US President to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, achieving the honour in 1906?

[Ans] THEODORE (or TEDDY) ROOSEVELT

[1B] The British Army's new all-purpose Multi Terrain Pattern uniform replaces the traditional Number 8: DPM, in which the 'P' stands for Pattern, and 'M' stands for Material. What does the 'D' stand for?

[Ans] DISRUPTIVE

[2A] Atomic number 10 in the Periodic Table, which is the second lightest of the inert gases after Helium?

[Ans] NEON

[2B] Which country's flag depicts 27 stars, the most on any national flag apart from that of the United States?

[Ans] BRAZIL

[3A] What is the first name of Blackadder, the character played by Rowan Atkinson in four separate BBC TV series between 1983 and 1989?

[Ans] EDMUND

[3B] In the standard ranking for hands of poker, which hand of five cards comes immediately above two pairs?

[Ans] THREE OF A KIND

[4A] Who was first Republican prisoner to die in the 1981 Maze hunger strikes, shortly after being elected as MP for Fermanagh and South Tyrone?

[Ans] Bobby SANDS

[4B] In October 2009, McDonald's announced that, due to the financial crisis, it was closing all its branches in which country?

[Ans] ICELAND

[Spares]

[1] Regular letter second class stamps will increase to what price in April this year?

[Ans] 32p

[2] Who painted the series of paintings known as *A Rake's Progress* in 1732-33?

[Ans] (William) HOGARTH

[3] What is the surname of Eddie, Clarrie and Joe in *The Archers* radio programme?

[Ans] GRUNDY

[4] Which motorway connects London and Southampton?

[Ans] M3

[5] Give either of Conservative Party leader David Cameron's other two first names.

[Ans] WILLIAM or DONALD

[6] What is the English name for the Pembrokeshire seaside town, with the Welsh name Dinbych-y-Pysgod, that was once voted the second-best place in the world to have a stag weekend after Istanbul?

[Ans] TENBY