

Individual Round 1

1. Casca landed the first blow on whom?
2. Which boy band took its name from a character in the film Back To The Future?
3. Selenology is the study of what?
4. In darts what score is a 'bag of nails'?
5. Which non-alcoholic drink often consists of 50% orange juice and 50% lemonade?
6. Simon Legree is the villain in which famous novel?
7. Which TV family lives at 742 Evergreen Terrace?
8. Who famously took off from Bedford Aerodrome on December 15th 1944, never to be seen again?
9. Which British royal dynasty was named after a shrub?
10. Which sporting organisation's motto is 'For the Game. For the World'?

Julius Caesar (Shakespeare play)
McFly
The Moon
3 (3 darts in the 1)
St Clements
Uncle Tom's Cabin
The Simpsons
Glen Miller

Plantagenet
Fifa

Team Round 2

1. **The Roman Arena**
 - a) What was the name of the largest hippodrome – eventually extended to seat 250, 000 spectators for chariot racing?
 - b) Ranked lower than a gladiator what did venatores do in the arena?
 - c) What type of establishments were run by lanistas?
2. **Television News**
 - a) Which investigative programme, was screened by Granada from 1963 to 1998, the removal of which was seen as the 'general dumbing down' of British television?
 - b) Which ITN newsreader also wrote three TV plays before leaving to work in Australia?
 - c) The current regular presenters of BBC's Newsnight are Laura Kuenssberg, Evan Davis, Kirsty Wark and which other?
3. **Explorers**
 - a) Which famous river was discovered and first crossed by Spaniard Hernando de Soto?
 - b) Robert Burke and William Wills were 19th century explorers of which country?
 - c) In which modern country was Magellan killed preventing his own complete navigation of the Earth?
4. **Fruity Songs** *All answers have a fruit in the title*
 - a) Which fruity title from their album Islands was a 1983 top ten hit for Kajagoogoo?
 - b) Which 1920's hit from the Broadway revue Make It Snappy was generally attributed to a fruit shortage caused by a blight in Brazil?
 - c) Where did Fats Domino find his thrill in 1956?
5. **British Course Fish**
 - a) Which fish uses a 'beard' to track down its meal?
 - b) Which fish is often mistakenly called the 'pike-perch'?
 - c) Which fish, Tinca tinca, do anglers call the 'doctor fish'?
6. **The Novels of Evelyn Waugh** *Complete the title of the novel by adding the last word*
 - a) A Handful of?
 - b) Black?
 - c) Vile?
7. **The Irish Republic**
 - a) After Dublin which is Ireland's most populous city?
 - b) The three Provinces wholly in the Republic are Leinster, Connaught and which other?
 - c) Which is the most northerly county in the Republic?
8. **Volcanoes**
 - a) What is the name for the geographical feature in which a depression is caused by the collapse of land following a volcanic eruption?
 - b) In which US state is the world's largest volcano?
 - c) Where is the volcano Olympus Mons?

Circus Maximus
Fought Animals
Gladiator Schools

World In Action
Gordon Honeycomb

Emily Maitlis

Mississippi
Australia

Philippines

Big Apple

Yes We Have No Bananas
Blueberry Hill

Barbel
Zander
Tench

Dust
Mischief
Bodies

Cork
Munster
Donegal

Caldera
Hawaii
On Mars

Individual Round 3

1. Which Keith Waterhouse character worked for undertaker Mr Shadrack?
2. Which musical instrument did Karen Carpenter normally play?
3. Which collective name is given to early mystics who sought the Philosopher's Stone?
4. Kingsford Smith airport serves which major city?
5. Which song from Mary Poppins won the Academy Award for Best Song?
6. Whose first words are 'How are you?' 'You have been in Afghanistan I perceive'?
7. Which heavenly body was Giotto sent to photograph in 1986?
8. Who usually perform a 'Helix' and a 'Corkscrew' and finish with a 'Vixen Break'?
9. The extinct Moa is believed to be the largest everwhat?
10. Which team did Bill Shankly say was the second-best in England?

Billy Liar (Fisher)
Drums
Alchemists
Sydney
Chim Chim Cher-ee
Sherlock Holmes
Halley's Comet
The Red Arrows
Bird
Liverpool Reserves

Team Round 4

1. Fictional Characters

- a) What title is held by the husband of Mrs Proudie in the novels of Anthony Trollope?
- b) Which 1911 Gaston Leroux character became the subject of a hit musical?
- c) Who was the 'gentleman burglar' created by E W Hornung?

Bishop (of Barchester)
The Phantom of the Opera
Raffles

2. Scientific Discoveries

What was discovered by:

- a) James Chadwick in 1932?
- b) Henry Cavendish in 1766?
- c) William Herschel in 1781?

The Neutron
Hydrogen
The Planet Uranus

3. Wine

- a) Nelson is a famous wine producing area in which country?
- b) The sangiovese grape is chiefly used in the production of which Italian wine?
- c) Which sparkling wine is made chiefly in the Penedes region near Barcelona?

New Zealand
Chianti
Cava

4. Comedians

Identify the comic from the alter ego.

- a) Marjorie Dawes?
- b) Rowley Birkin QC?
- c) Tony Ferrino?

Matt Lucas
Paul Whitehouse
Steve Coogan

5. Sport

- a) The winner of which famous race traditionally swigs milk from the bottle?
- b) In which sport is the term 'bonk' used meaning tiredness from lack of food?
- c) Which national team introduced 'Total Football' at the 1974 World Cup in Germany?

Indianapolis 500
Cycling
Holland/Netherlands

6. In the News January 2015

- a) A French court banned parents from calling their daughterwhat?
- b) London's Natural History Museum announced it was to replace the diplodocus skeleton in the entrance hall with a skeleton of what creature?
- c) Permission was granted to allow which mammal, previously extinct in Britain, to be re-introduced in an area of Devon?

Nutella

Blue Whale

Beaver

7. Pop Births

Identify the song beginning with 'Born'

- a) Steppenwolf in 1969?
- b) Underworld in 1995?
- c) Stephanie De Sykes in 1974?

Born to be Wild

Born Slippy

Born With a Smile on My Face

8. Shapes

What shape is described by the following adjectives

- a) Reniform?
- b) Annular?
- c) Stellate?

Kidney Shaped

Ring Shaped

Star Shaped

Individual Round 5

1. Which bird is the international symbol for happiness?
2. In which famous film was Frank Miller coming to kill Will Kane?
3. A Lucy Stoner is a married woman who retainswhat?
4. What was the name of the computer that beat Gary Kasparov at chess in 1997?
5. What allegedly crashed at Roswell, New Mexico in 1947?
6. Who succeeded Moses as leader of the Israelites?
7. A bonspiel is a tournament in which winter sport?
8. Prior to 1979 which country, other than India, was ruled from the Peacock Throne?
9. Which 1962 ecological classic was written by Rachel Carson?
10. Beethoven's Ninth Symphony set whose words to music?

Bluebird
High Noon
Her Maiden Surname
Deep Blue
A UFO
Joshua
Curling
Iran acc Persia
Silent Spring
Schiller

Team Round 6**1. Historic Criminals**

- a) 18th century gangs of young gentlemen that attacked men and women but stole no money were given what nickname, from a native American tribe?
- b) Who committed what became known as the West Port murders in Edinburgh in 1828?
- c) What profession was followed by Grace O'Malley, Mary Read and Anne Bonny?

Mohocks (after the Indian Mohawk tribe)
Burke & Hare
Piracy

2. TV Gold – Crime Fighters

- a) Who was the boss of U.N.C.L.E.?
- b) For which organisation did the camp Jason King work?
- c) Who played Harry Rule in The Protectors?

Mr Waverly
Department S
Robert Vaughan

3. The Occult

- a) What is the name of the cards marked with squares, squiggles, crosses etc. used in tests of thought transference?
- b) Tasseomancy is the reading of what, to determine a person's future?
- c) What is the science of judging a person's character by feeling the shape of their skull?

Zenner Cards
Tea Leaves
Phrenology

4. Architecture

- a) How is the building at 30 St Mary Axe in London, known to locals?
- b) Which school of architecture founded by German Walter Gropius, was persecuted and closed down by the Nazi regime?
- c) By what name was the architect Charles-Edouard Jeanneret better known?

The Gherkin
The Bauhaus
Le Corbusier

5. Film

- a) Who directed the 2012 film Quartet starring Billy Connolly, Maggie Smith and Tom Courtenay, set in a retirement home for musicians?
- b) Who plays Alfred Hitchcock's wife Alma in the movie Hitchcock?
- c) With 19 so far who is by far the most Oscar nominated actress in history?

Dustin Hoffman
Helen Mirren
Meryl Streep

6. The 12th Century

- a) Who seized the throne in 1135 on the death of Henry I?
- b) What was the name of the 12-year-old daughter of Henry I who married the Holy Roman Emperor Henry V in 1114?
- c) Which famous fair was held for the first time at Smithfield in 1133?

Stephen
Matilda
St Bartholomew's Fair

7. British Food

- a) Some fancy restaurants currently serve 'Flying Scotsman' which is chicken breast stuffed withwhat?
- b) Which famous food item is nickname an 'oggy' in its area of origin?
- c) Everyone knows about the Liverpool stew called 'scouse' – but what is 'blind scouse'?

Haggis
Cornish Pasty
Meat-Free Version

8. British Geography

- a) Dunkery Beacon?
- b) Whernside?
- c) Brown Willy?

Of which county are the following the highest point:

Somerset
North Yorkshire
Cornwall

Individual Round 7

1. Who supposedly hanged himself from a Cercis Tree?
2. Which US Trade Union was led by the notorious Jimmy Hoffa?
3. What official position is currently held by Martin Rees?
4. On a graph the abscissa is paired with what?
5. Which sporting trophy is made of melted silver rupees?
6. Sylvia Anderson was the voice of Lady Penelope in the 60s – who is the new voice in the forthcoming remake?
7. Which fictional pair vie for social supremacy in Tilling?
8. What is the lightest solid element?
9. How many chains are there in a mile?
10. Which bodily action is nictation?

Judas (Iscariot)
Teamsters
Astronomer Royal
Ordinate
Calcutta Cup

Rosamund Pike
Mapp & Lucia
Lithium
80
Blinking

Team Round 8

1. **Magazines**
 - a) Helen Gurley Brown was editor of which magazine for 32 years?
 - b) Which magazine has the slogan 'Buy it before you snuff it'?
 - c) Who sold his wedding photos to Viz for a pound in 2002?
2. **The Human Body**
 - a) The buccinator muscle aids in which essential bodily function?
 - b) Where are the carotid arteries located?
 - c) What are characterised by patterns such as loops, whorls and arches?
3. **American Literature**
 - a) Which writer created the fantasist Walter Mitty?
 - b) Which novel tells the tragic story of displaced migrants George Milton and Lennie Small?
 - c) What is the subject of Hemingway's Death in the Afternoon?
4. **Sporting Terms**
 - a) In tennis what is a 'bagel'?
 - b) In which sport might a contestant 'dump the laundry'?
 - c) Which sport uses the terms 'plastron' 'piste' and 'riposte'?
5. **Currencies** *What are the chief currencies of the following:*
 - a) Albania?
 - b) Brazil?
 - c) Morocco?
6. **Science Mix**
 - a) Named after a scientist what term is used for the gap between the rings of the planet Saturn?
 - b) Which part of a flower is responsible for the production of pollen grains?
 - c) What dangerous condition sometimes occurs with an allergic reaction to bee or wasp stings?
7. **1990's Pop**
 - a) Which band featured Siobhan Fahey and Marcella Detroit?
 - b) Whose 'Immaculate Collection' was a 1991 best seller?
 - c) What kind of footwear did Jimmy Nail have in 1994?
8. **Mythical Beasts** *Which mythical creature:*
 - a) Was half woman – half vulture?
 - b) Was a female demon that sought sexual intercourse with sleeping men?
 - c) Had bronze hands, golden wings and live snakes for hair?

Cosmopolitan
The Oldie
Johnny Vegas

Chewing/Eating/smiling
Neck
Fingerprints

James Thurber
Of Mice and Men
Bull Fighting

Winning or Losing a set 6-0
Drag Racing
Fencing

Lek
Real
Dirham

Cassini Division
Anther

Anaphylactic Shock

Shakespeare's Sister
Madonna
Crocodile Shoes

Harpy
Succubus
Gorgon

Beer Round

1.
 - a) Which film star began life as Michel Shalhoub?
 - b) Who composed the To October Symphony?
 - c) Which character was once played by Peter Dean in Eastenders?

2.
 - a) Which film star began life as Issur Danielovitch?
 - b) Who composed the Tragic Symphomy?
 - c) Which character was once played by Ken Morley in Coronation Street?

Omar Sharif
Shostakovich
Pete Beale

Kirk Douglas
Schubert or Mahler
Reg Holdsworth

Spare Questions

1. What would be kept in an etui?
2. What was the name of the princess in The Sleeping Beauty?
3. What was the name of the computer in the sitcom Red Dwarf?

Pins/Needles
Aurora
Holly