



Question Reader: All parts of the answer shown in **Bold Face** are required. Parts shown in ordinary type are not essential, but if given incorrectly will mean that the answer is wrong; for example, if the answer shown is "Fred **Smith**", "Smith" would be a correct answer, but "John Smith" would be incorrect. Parts shown in *italics* are purely explanatory and are not required. If the answer offered is incomplete (for example, "Roosevelt" for "Theodore Roosevelt", you may, at your discretion, ask the person answering to expand the answer.

In the event of any problem, three spare questions can be found on the final sheet.

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Individual Round 1

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| 1. Which secret establishment was known 'Station X' during the Second World War? | Bletchley Park |
| 2. The area surrounding which London street is regarded as London's jewellery quarter and the centre of the UK diamond trade? | Hatton Garden |
| 3. What is the area of a right-angle triangle whose sides measure 3, 4, and 5 centimetres? | 6 square centimetres |
| 4. What colour overalls are worn by caddies during the US Masters golf tournament? | White |
| 5. Which Asian nation was the first to make it illegal to smoke in public or to sell tobacco? | Bhutan |
| 6. Which 110-acre park lies between Anfield, the home of Liverpool FC, and Goodison Park, the home of Everton FC? | Stanley Park |
| 7. What destination would you reach by following the directions 'Second star to the right and straight on till morning'? | Neverland |
| 8. In 1955, who shot and killed David Blakeley outside the Magdala public house in Hampstead? | Ruth Ellis |
| 9. The sweet-tasting root of which plant is sometimes known as 'Spanish'? | Liquorice |
| 10. In which country is the Baikonur Cosmodrome, the world's first and largest site for space launches? | Kazakhstan |

Team Round 2

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| 1. Authors: Debut Novels <i>The following are the debut novels of which authors?</i> | |
| a) <i>The Rachel Papers</i> (1973) | Martin Amis |
| b) <i>Decline and Fall</i> (1928) | Evelyn Waugh |
| c) <i>White Teeth</i> (2000) | Zadie Smith |
| 2. Dancing Hits <i>Who released the following recordings?</i> | |
| a) <i>Dancing in the Street</i> (No. 28 in 1964 and No. 4 in 1969) | Martha and the Vandellas |
| b) <i>Dancing with Tears in My Eyes</i> (No. 3 in 1984) | Ultravox |
| c) <i>Dancing on the Ceiling</i> (No. 7 in 1986) | Lionel Richie |
| 3. TV: A Little Extra | |
| a) Presented by Jo Brand, what is the name of the weekly ancillary series that discusses events on <i>The Great British Bakeoff</i> ? | <i>(The Great British Bakeoff): An Extra Slice</i> |
| b) What is the title of the 45-minute extended edition of <i>QI</i> ? | QI XL |
| c) In 2015, who replaced Dara Ó Briain as the presenter of <i>The Apprentice: You're Fired</i> ? | Jack Dee |
| 4. Theme Tunes | |
| a) The theme music to which 1960s TV series was based on the folk song <i>Johnny Todd</i> ? | Z-Cars |
| b) The theme music to which long-running sitcom was based on the children's skipping rhyme that begins 'On the mountain stands a lady, who she is I do not know'? | The Liver Birds |
| c) The theme to which period drama was adapted from a North-Eastern folk song with the alternative title <i>Dance ti thy Daddy</i> ? | When the Boat Comes In |
| 5. Sporting Lexicon <i>In which sport are each of the following sets of terms used?</i> | |
| a) Forehand, backhand, blocker, toucher, and fire | (Lawn) Bowls |
| b) House, hog, nose, peel, and tee | Curling |
| c) Back shot, sideboards, third man, hook, and flagman | Polo |
| 6. Drinks | |
| a) Each bottle of Chianti Classico carries a seal depicting what creature? | Black rooster (or cockerel) |
| b) Which brand of spirit uses a black bat in its logo? | Bacardi |
| c) From 1998 to 2002, which drinks brand featured in the 'live to loaf' series of adverts featuring Johnny Vaughan? | Strongbow |
| 7. Model Villages | |
| a) Which model village was built on the Wirral by Lever Brothers to accommodate workers at their soap factory? | Port Sunlight |
| b) Now a World Heritage site, which model village within the city of Bradford was built by, and partially named for, a leading industrialist in the woollen industry? | Saltaire |
| c) Which model village south of Birmingham was constructed in the 1890s at the behest of George Cadbury? | Bourneville |
| 8. Leg Before ... <i>From their definitions, identify the three words that all start with the letters L E G.</i> | |
| a) In music, smoothly and connectedly with no break between successive notes. | Legato |
| b) Sleight of hand; conjuring . | Legerdemain |
| c) Plants of the family Fabaceae, frequently with root nodules that contain nitrogen-fixing bacteria. | Legumes/Leguminosae |

Individual Round 3

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| 1. Roger Delgado, Geoffrey Beevers, Derek Jacobi, John Sims, and Michelle Gomez are among the actors who have played which fictional villain? | The Master (<i>Dr Who</i>) |
| 2. Served by Hannibal Lecter as an accompaniment to a census-taker's liver, fava beans are generally known by what name in the UK? | Broad beans |
| 3. In 1955, who declined the title 'Duke of London'? | Winston Churchill |
| 4. N'Djamena is the capital city of which landlocked country in central Africa? | Chad |
| 5. In 1964, who reached No. 97 in the US Billboard charts with <i>Komm, gib mir deine Hand</i> ? The B-side was <i>Sie liebt dich</i> . | The Beatles (<i>Ger.: I Want to Hold Your Hand/She Loves You</i>) |
| 6. Albert Ramsbottom fatally incurred the wrath of the lion Wallace by poking him in the ear with which implement? | A stick with an 'orse's 'ead 'andle |
| 7. <i>Greetings from Asbury Park, NJ</i> was the 1973 debut album of which artist? | Bruce Springsteen |
| 8. In October 2015, which city was named by VisitEngland as the 'Home of English Sport'? | Nottingham |
| 9. Which cake decoration gained in popularity after it was used on the wedding cake of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert in 1840? | Royal Icing |
| 10. What does the abbreviation BF represent on a race card? | Beaten Favourite |

Team Round 4

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| 1. Beatles Covers 1 <i>Which acts had top-ten hits with the following covers of Beatles' songs?</i> | |
| a) <i>Dear Prudence</i> (1983) | Siouxsie and the Banshees |
| b) <i>Yesterday</i> (1997) | Wet Wet Wet |
| c) <i>With a Little Help From My Friends</i> (1969) | Joe Cocker |
| 2. The Human Body | |
| a) Which artery is the main source of blood for the leg? | Femoral artery |
| b) Which nerve is the longest and widest in the human body? | Sciatic nerve |
| c) Where in the human body is the anatomical snuffbox? | Hand |
| 3. Duels | |
| a) Which Russian poet, playwright, and novelist was killed in a duel in 1837? | Alexander Pushkin |
| b) Which US Vice President shot and fatally wounded the former Secretary of the Treasury, Alexander Hamilton, in a duel in 1804? | Aaron Burr |
| c) George Canning, later a British Prime Minister, was injured in a duel with which fellow politician in 1809? | Lord Castlereagh |
| 4. One Liners <i>Who were the authors of the following one-liners?</i> | |
| a) 'It's not that I'm afraid to die, I just don't want to be there when it happens.' | Woody Allen |
| b) 'I used to be Snow White, but I drifted' | Mae West |
| c) "I've decided to sell my Hoover... well, it was just collecting dust. | Tim Vine |
| 5. Sporting History: Multi-talented men with initials | |
| a) Who is the only man to have captained England at both cricket and football? | R. E. Foster |
| b) Two men have captained England at both cricket and rugby union; name either. | A. N. Hornby or A. E. Stoddart |
| c) Which England cricket captain won the middleweight boxing gold medal at the 1908 London Olympics? | J. W. H. T. Douglas |
| 6. Legal Terms <i>What is the legal term ...</i> | |
| a) ... for a person appointed by the maker of a will to carry out the directions in the will? | Executor |
| b) ... for a written statement signed by a person who swears to the truth of that statement in the presence of a person authorised by a court? | Affidavit |
| c) ... for the crime of writing or saying things that might encourage people to rise up against the Government or that might cause discontent? | Sedition |
| 7. Chemistry | |
| a) Which chemical element can exist in white, red, violet, or black forms? | Phosphorus |
| b) Rutile and anatase are mineral forms of the oxide of which metal? | Titanium |
| c) Which among the noble gases is the most abundant in the atmosphere? | Argon |
| 8. Soap Murders <i>Settings of soap operas are among the most dangerous placed on Earth!</i> | |
| a) In <i>Coronation Street</i> , which character was pushed from a balcony and then beaten with a lead pipe by Rob Donovan in 2014? | Tina McIntyre |
| b) Which villainous character was killed with a bust of Queen Victoria during the 2009 Christmas Day episode of <i>Eastenders</i> ? | Archie Mitchell |
| c) Averaging 3.3 murders a year over the last ten years, which soap has the highest murder rate? | Hollyoaks |

Individual Round 5: The name of which plant is also ...

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| 1. ... the surname of Peter of Peter, Paul, and Mary? | Yarrow |
| 2. ... having no special features; unexciting, standard or conventional? | Vanilla |
| 3. ... the forename of Edina's daughter in <i>Absolutely Fabulous</i> ? | Saffron |
| 4. ... an ore of lead or another name for graphite? | Plumbago |
| 5. ... a word meaning 'regret'? | Rue |
| 6. ... a simple brass instrument? | Bugle |
| 7. ... the surname of the presenter of the 1960s football-themed game show <i>Quiz Ball</i> ? | (David) Vine |
| 8. ... a city in central Switzerland, noted for its 14th-century Chapel Bridge? | Lucerne |
| 9. ... a town in Staffordshire noted for its unusual double sunset near the summer solstice? | Leek |
| 10. ... the leader of the group of rabbits who found <i>Watership Down</i> ? | Hazel |

Team Round 6

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| 1. Poetry | |
| a) 'I am the master of my fate: I am the captain of my soul' are the closing lines of which poem that featured in, and gave its title to, a 2009 film directed by Clint Eastwood? | Invictus |
| b) 'What passing-bells for these who die as cattle?' is the opening line of which poem? | Anthem for Doomed Youth |
| c) Which well-known poem was written in 1750 in the village of Stoke Poges? | Grey's Elegy/Elegy Written in a Country Church Yard |
| 2. Fair Maids | |
| a) Joan, the Fair Maid of Kent, was the mother of which king of England? | Richard II |
| b) <i>The Fair Maid of Perth</i> is a novel by which author? | Sir Walter Scott |
| c) Die schöne Müllerin, the Fair Maid of the Mill, is a song cycle by which Austrian composer? | Franz Schubert |
| 3. British Isles | |
| a) Home to 150,000 gannets, the Bass Rock lies in which body of water? | Firth of Forth |
| b) Annexed by the UK in 1957, which remote granite islet lies 270 miles north-west of Ireland, 290 miles west of Great Britain, 440 miles south of Iceland? | Rockall |
| c) Asparagus Island lies off the coast of which English county? | Cornwall |
| 4. Brothers in Rock | |
| a) John and Tom Fogerty were founder members of which 1960s rock band, sometimes known as CCR? | Creedence Clearwater Revival |
| b) Which Australian hard-rock band was formed by Angus and Malcolm Young? | AC/DC |
| c) Caleb, Nathan, and Jared Followill are members of which rock band formed in Nashville, Tennessee, in 2000? | Kings of Leon |
| 5. Sporting Miscellany | |
| a) As a result of a certain physical resemblance, which English cricketer has been nicknamed 'Malfoy'? | Stuart Broad |
| b) The horse that won 2015 Irish Derby and was runner-up in the 2015 Epsom Derby was named after which famous cricketer? | Jack Hobbs |
| c) Who is the youngest player to have appeared in a Rugby World Cup final? | Jonah Lomu (1995) |
| 6. Soap Homonyms | |
| a) Played by Jack P. Shepherd, which character in <i>Coronation Street</i> shares a name with a former England football captain and Under-21 team manager? | David Platt |
| b) Played by Tony Audenshaw, which character in <i>Emmerdale</i> shares his name with a British-American comedian who lived to see his one-hundredth birthday? | Bob Hope |
| c) Played by Jamie Davies, which character in <i>Casualty</i> shares a name with a former Australian fast bowler nicknamed 'Tangles', who frequently acted as the third seam bowler alongside Lilley and Thomson? | Max Walker |
| 7. Cheat! | |
| a) In 1968 Olympics, Hans Gunnar Liljenwall was disqualified for using which substance to steady his nerves during the pistol-shooting phase of the modern pentathlon? | Alcohol (accept beer) |
| b) Who admitted to having received a little help from 'la mano de Dios'? | Diego Maradona (Hand of God) |
| c) Who was stripped of her 100 and 200 meters sprint gold medals seven years after the Sydney Olympics, after admitting to having taken steroids in the run-up to the games? | Marion Jones |
| 8. Irish History | |
| a) Which early Irish alphabet consisted of parallel strokes on either side or across a line, usually carved in stone? | Ogham |
| b) What term is used for the confiscation of Irish land by the English crown in the 15th and 16th century for colonisation by settlers from England and the Scottish Lowlands? | Irish Plantations |
| c) The Lia Fáil or Stone of Destiny, the traditional site for the coronations of kings of Ireland, | Hill of Tara |

is found on which hill in County Meath?

Individual Round 7

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| 1. In the books by Neil Monro, what was the nickname of Peter Macfarlane, captain of the <i>Vital Spark</i> ? | Para Handy |
| 2. The 'two-minute hate' is featured in which novel of the twentieth century? | 1984 |
| 3. Which actor who passed away in 2015 wrote the autobiography <i>The World Was My Lobster</i> ? | George Cole |
| 4. The Victoria and Albert Museum, the Science Museum, and the Natural History Museum all have entrances on which appropriately named thoroughfare in South Kensington? | Exhibition Road |
| 5. Which Welsh prince raised a revolt against English rule in the first decade of the fifteenth century? | Owain Glyndŵr/Glendower |
| 6. Apart from Rowan Atkinson and Tony Robinson, who was the only actor to appear in all four series of <i>Blackadder</i> ? | Tim McInnerny |
| 7. The laryngeal prominence is commonly known by what name? | Adam's apple |
| 8. Who was the nemesis of farmers Boggis, Bunce, and Bean? | Fantastic Mr Fox |
| 9. Which is the only minor key signature that has no sharps or flats? | A minor |
| 10. In recognition of whose funeral were lights in the USA turned off for one minute on the 21st of October 1931? | Thomas Edison |

Team Round 8

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| 1. Detectives in Fiction | |
| a) In addition to the <i>Orient Express</i> , which other luxury train features in the title of a Hercule Poirot novel by Agatha Christie? | Blue Train (<i>The Mystery of the Blue Train</i>) |
| b) In which regiment did John Rebus serve before joining the police force? | SAS |
| c) Which fictional private-eye described a woman as 'a blonde to make a bishop kick a hole in a stained-glass window'? | Philip Marlowe (in <i>Farewell, My Lovely</i>) |
| 2. Philosophy | |
| a) Plato and Xenophon were both pupils of which Greek philosopher? | Socrates |
| b) Which writer and social theorist had a long-term relationship with the existentialist philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre? | Simone de Beauvoir |
| c) Which German-English philosopher published only one book during his lifetime: the slim 72-page work <i>Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus</i> ? | Ludwig Wittgenstein |
| 3. Beatles Covers No. 2 <i>Who recorded the original versions of the following songs, all covered by The Beatles?</i> | |
| a) <i>Words of Love</i> | Buddy Holly |
| b) <i>Roll Over Beethoven</i> | Chuck Berry |
| c) <i>Please Mr Postman</i> | Marvelletes |
| 4. Literature: Title Characters | |
| a) By what name is Delores Haze known in the title of a controversial book of 1955? | Lolita |
| b) How is Anne Catherick referred to in the title of a book by Wilkie Collins? | The Woman in White |
| c) What is the surname of the title character of <i>Anne of Green Gables</i> ? | Shirley |
| 5. Sitcom Actors | |
| a) Who played consultant surgeon Mr Gordon Thorpe in <i>Only When I Laugh</i> ? | Richard Wilson |
| b) Who played Raquel's former husband, ex-policeman Roy Slater in <i>Only Fools and Horses</i> ? | Jim Broadbent |
| c) Who played the mad legless Captain Rum in the second series of <i>Blackadder</i> ? | Tom Baker |
| 6. Opera | |
| a) Lieutenant Pinkerton is a character in which opera by Puccini? | Madame Butterfly |
| b) Which composer wrote operas featuring the Shakespearean characters Macbeth, Othello, and Falstaff? | Giuseppe Verdi |
| c) The <i>Bridal Chorus</i> AKA 'Here comes the Bride' appears in which opera by Wagner? | Lohengrin |
| 7. The London Underground | |
| a) On which of London's tube lines do trains reach the greatest speeds? | Metropolitan |
| b) In what respect do Amersham, Chalfont and Latimer, Chesham, Chorleywood, and Epping form a unique group among London tube stations? | (Only ones) Outside the M25 |
| c) On the Piccadilly line, the 'Mind the Gap' announcement was provided for 15 years by Tim Bentinck, the 12th Earl of Portland, who plays which role in <i>The Archers</i> ? | David (Archer) |
| 8. Shared Grounds <i>Which pairs of top-flight rugby and football clubs share each of the following grounds?</i> | |
| a) The Ricoh Arena | Coventry City and Wasps RFC |
| b) The Madejski Stadium | Reading FC and London Irish |
| c) Liberty Stadium | Swansea City and Ospreys |

Beer Round

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- a) In coin collecting, what do the initials F D C represent?
- b) Which three-word phrase, ascribed to Sir Alex Ferguson, describes the tense final stages of a sporting encounter?
- c) In 1950, which 94-year-old playwright died from injuries sustained in a fall from a ladder while pruning a tree?

Fleur du coin (*the highest possible grade of coin*)
Squeaky bum time

George Bernard **Shaw**

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- a) In stamp collecting, what do the initials F D C represent?
- b) Also ascribed to Sir Alex Ferguson, what two-word phrase describes the practice of shouting at someone at close quarters to express one's displeasure?
- c) George Bernard Shaw, Stanley Baldwin, Ramsey MacDonald, J. M. Barrie, and John Galsworthy were among the pallbearers at the funeral of which novelist and poet in January 1928?

First day cover
Hairdryer treatment

Thomas **Hardy****Spare Questions**

1. Which ballet dancer claimed to have had affairs with both Robert Kennedy and Jackie Kennedy?
2. The 3.5-mile-long Bromford viaduct, the longest in Great Britain, carries a stretch of which motorway?
3. Which saint lived on a small platform at the top of a pillar in Aleppo for 37 years?

Rudolf Nureyev

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