



Question Reader: All parts of the answer shown **not in brackets** are required. Parts shown in brackets 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

1. The ancient ritual of bull-leaping took place on which Mediterranean island? **Crete**
2. Fictional characters Clint Barton, Benjamin Pierce and Natty Bumppo all share which nickname? **Hawkeye**
3. The Lake District is located in which English county? **Cumbria**
4. Musical prodigy Maria Anna, aka Nannerl, was the sister of which famous Austrian composer? **(Wolfgang Amadeus) Mozart**
5. On which TV show did Claude Littner replace Nick Hewer? **The Apprentice**
6. Which popular garden flower's name means literally 'many flowers'? **Polyanthus**
7. Which heavyweight boxer was nicknamed 'The Manassa Mauler'? **(Jack) Dempsey**
8. In which city's harbour was the ship Queen Elizabeth ravaged by fire in 1972? **Hong Kong**
9. Which Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale features 20 mattresses? **Princess and the Pea**
10. Which Commonwealth country comprises 10 provinces and 3 territories? **Canada**

Team Round 2

1. **A Shared Border** *Name the country that shares borders with...*
 - a) Israel and Libya **Egypt**
 - b) Mauritania and Guinea-Bissau **Senegal**
 - c) Costa Rica and Honduras **Nicaragua**
2. **Lost the Plot**
 - a) In 1944, who was the intended victim of the July 20th plot? **(Adolf) Hitler**
 - b) Which director's last film was 'The Family Plot' in 1976? **(Alfred) Hitchcock**
 - c) Who became US President in the Philip Roth novel The Plot Against America? **(Charles) Lindbergh**
3. **Snooker** *World Champions*
 - a) Which former world snooker champion has the pool nickname 'The Duchess of Doom'? **(Alison) Fisher**
 - b) Which Welshman did Steve Davis defeat in the final to win his first world title? **(Doug) Mountjoy**
 - c) Who was the first world champion to have also been world amateur champion? **(Ken) Doherty**
4. **British Birds**
 - a) Ringed, Golden and Kentish are all species of which bird? **Plover**
 - b) Which summer visitor to Britain has varieties including Marsh, Grasshopper and Willow? **Warbler**
 - c) Which species has types including Rock, tree and Meadow? **Pipit**
5. **Radio 2**
 - a) Which former Radio 1 breakfast show host is the regular host of Sounds of the '80s? **(Sara) Cox**
 - b) On whose regular show can you play the quiz PopMaster? **(Ken) Bruce**
 - c) Which actress and presenter co-presents the Grill Graham section of the Graham Norton show on Saturday mornings? **(Maria) McErlane**
6. **Great stuff**
 - a) Which is the largest lake entirely in Canada? **Great Bear Lake**
 - b) The Great Rock 'n' Roll Swindle is a fictional documentary about which controversial music group? **Sex Pistols**
 - c) Which US president proposed 'The Great Society'? **(Lyndon B) Johnson**
7. **TV** *Three questions on transvestites and cross-dressers*
 - a) Known for her relationship with Chopin, what was the pseudonym of Amantine-Aurore-Lucile Dupin? **(George) Sand**
 - b) The injunction against cross-dressing in the book of Deuteronomy was the reason given for whose 15th century execution? **Joan of Arc**
 - c) Which comedian describes himself as an "executive transvestite"? **(Eddie) Izzard**
8. **2015** *January*
 - a) Which founder of Death Row Records was charged with murder? **(Marion) (Suge) Knight**
 - b) The SYRIZA party won the general election in which European country? **Greece**
 - c) Which national treasure married his partner, Elliot Spencer, after a ten-week engagement? **(Stephen) Fry**

Individual Round 3

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| 1. Which organisation was depicted as a carthorse in the cartoons of David Low? | T.U.C |
| 2. Which English dramatist and architect was held as a spy in the Bastille by King Louis XIV? | (John) Vanbrugh |
| 3. What astronomical feature is sometimes called 'The Way of St John'? | Milky Way |
| 4. What was the name of the New Year offensive launched by the Viet Cong in 1968? | Tet (offensive) |
| 5. On what TV series was Virgil the pilot of two and Alan the pilot of three? | Thunderbirds |
| 6. On a French restaurant menu, what part of an animal is 'cervelle'? | Brain |
| 7. Which state of the USA has land borders with Georgia and Alabama? | Florida |
| 8. Who was the mother of the English kings Richard I and John? | Eleanor of Aquitaine |
| 9. In which English county is Buckfast Abbey, famed for its tonic wine? | Devon |
| 10. The Franz Hals painting 'Young Man Holding a Skull', is thought to depict which Shakespearean character? | Hamlet |

Team Round 4

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| 1. Q | | |
| a) Which Disney character's sidekick was Timothy Q Mouse? | | Dumbo |
| b) Mozambique and which other African country have a q in their name? | | Equatorial Guinea |
| c) Whose sayings are collected in the hypothetical Q document or Q source? | | Jesus |
| 2. 3 of 7 | Questions about actors in the film The Magnificent Seven | |
| a) Played Hunt Stockwell in TV's The A Team? | | (Robert) Vaughan |
| b) Saved Frank Sinatra from drowning on a film shoot in Hawaii? | | (Brad) Dexter |
| c) Married the ex-wife of David McCallum? | | (Charles) Bronson |
| 3. Yorkshire | | |
| a) What was the Roman name for York? | | Eboracum |
| b) In Yorkshire dialect, which animal is known as an attercop? | | Spider |
| c) Which 12 th century Cistercian abbey stood just outside Ripon? | | Fountains Abbey |
| 4. 2015 | Musical deaths | |
| a) Daughter of a music legend, her biggest hit came in 1989 with 'Miss You Like Crazy'? | | (Natalie) Cole |
| b) Born Paul Walden, he's best known for the classic acid house track 'Infinity'? | | Guru Josh |
| c) Cilla Black had two UK number 1 hit singles – Anyone Who Had a Heart was one, what was the other? | | You're My World |
| 5. Cities | What is the present name of the following cities? | |
| a) Saigon | | Ho Chi Minh City |
| b) Leopoldville | | Kinshasa |
| c) Gorky | | Nizhny Novgorod |
| 6. Hawaii | | |
| a) What is the second largest of the Hawaiian Islands? | | Maui |
| b) What is the occupation of famous Hawaii resident 'Dog' Chapman and his wife Beth? | | Bounty Hunters |
| c) Which musical instrument was based on the Portuguese 'draguinha'? | | Ukulele |
| 7. 2015 | June | |
| a) Whose photo of Caitlyn Jenner graced the front of Vanity Fair magazine? | | (Annie) Leibowitz |
| b) Which energy firm's plan to extract shale gas from Little Plumpton in Lancashire was refused? | | Cuadrilla |
| c) Which American golfer won the US Open, his second major of the year? | | (Jordan) Spith |
| 8. Bees | | |
| a) What was the title of the only UK number 1 hit single by B Bumble and the Stingers? | | Nut Rocker |
| b) What is the surname of the character who sings 'Boy For Sale' in the musical 'Oliver!'? | | Bumble |
| c) What is the disease of bees named for an English county? | | Isle of Wight (disease) |

Individual Round 5

1. Which country is bordered by Italy, Austria, Croatia and Hungary? **Slovenia**
2. Who won a best supporting actress Oscar for her role in 'Girl, Interrupted'? (Angelina) **Jolie**
3. Which footballer moved from Ajax to Liverpool to Barcelona? (Louis) **Suarez**
4. Which tool has varieties including ring, adjustable and box? **Spanner**
5. Which town stands at the confluence of the rivers Thames and Kennet? **Reading**
6. Who referred to John Major as 'B' in her diaries? (Edwina) **Currie**
7. Which US cartoonist, author of Fun Home, has her surname given to the test to identify gender bias in works of fiction? (Alison) **Bechdel**
8. In 1972 John Hicks became the first Briton to win which of the Nobel Prizes? **Economics**
9. Which military leader's state funeral took place in St Paul's Cathedral in 1806? (Horatio) **Nelson**
10. Tirich Mir is the highest peak in which central Asian mountain range? **Hindu Kush**

Team Round 6

1. **Literature** *Who wrote these posthumously published novels?*
 - a) The Mystery of Edwin Drood? (Charles) **Dickens**
 - b) The Way of All Flesh? (Samuel) **Butler**
 - c) The Silmarillion? (JRR) **Tolkien**
2. **Firsts**
 - a) From the Greek for 'artificial', what was the first synthesised chemical element? **Technetium**
 - b) In June 1963 who became the first civilian to go into space? (Valentina) **Tereshkova**
 - c) Which was the first European country to be led by a president? **France**
3. **Rugby Union** *The 2015 World Cup*
 - a) Which Scottish winger scored tries in all five of his country's matches? (Tommy) **Seymour**
 - b) The tournament's leading points scorer, Nicolas Sanchez, played for which country? **Argentina**
 - c) Discounting a penalty try, which Harlequins full back scored England's first try? (Mike) **Brown**
4. **Titles**
 - a) Who was the first English king given the title Defender of the Faith? **Henry VIII**
 - b) What title is given to a widow among the aristocracy to distinguish her from the wife of her husband's heir? **Dowager**
 - c) Which aristocratic title derives its name from the Anglo-Saxon term for 'warrior'? **Earl**
5. **1994** *Events of 1994*
 - a) On which Scottish island was former Labour party leader John Smith laid to rest? **Iona**
 - b) Which football club, known as The Grecians, was forced to sell its ground to property developers after running into financial difficulties? **Exeter City**
 - c) Why did the retirement of four animals named Tom, Flax, Cal and Alan make the news? **British coal's last pit ponies**
6. **D** *All the answers begin with the letter D*
 - a) A word meaning a cavalryman or to coerce **Dragoon**
 - b) Buckinghamshire village where Alexander Korda set up a film studio **Denham**
 - c) The surname of the British inventor who won the 1997 European Design Prize **Dyson**
7. **Classical Music** *Peter And The Wolf*
 - a) Who composed the 1936 work Peter And The Wolf? (Sergei) **Prokofiev**
 - b) Which musical instrument represents the duck? **Oboe**
 - c) Which of his Peter's relatives is represented by the bassoon? **Grandfather**
8. **Food and Drink** *Around the world*
 - a) What is the name of Australia's well-loved chocolate and coconut cake? **Lamington**
 - b) Which aperitif is named for the Paris chemist who created it in 1846? **DuBonnet**
 - c) Which European country's traditional hunters' stew is named bigos? [Pronounce 'big-osh'] **Poland**

Individual Round 7

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| 1. On which Scottish island group is the Ring of Brogar stone circle? | Orkneys |
| 2. Coeliac disease is an autoimmune disorder caused by a reaction to which substance? | Gluten |
| 3. Who is missing from this musical quintet: Keeble, Kemp, Norman, Kemp and...? | Hadley
<i>(Spandau Ballet)</i> |
| 4. Which ancient organisation controls the grazing rights in the New Forest? | Court of Verderers |
| 5. Who won Britain's only swimming gold medal at the 1980 Moscow Olympics? | (Duncan) Goodhew |
| 6. Which fruit hides the subject's face in the 1964 Rene Magritte painting 'Son of Man'? | Apple |
| 7. Which capital city was previously known as Edo or Yedo? | Tokyo |
| 8. What was the name of the oil tanker wrecked off the Isles of Scilly in 1967? | Torrey Canyon |
| 9. Which famous art critic wrote the fairy tale 'The King of the Golden River'? | (John) Ruskin |
| 10. What is measured on a Campbell-Stokes recorder? | Hours of sunshine |

Team Round 8

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| 1. The Bard on Film | Which Shakespeare play inspired the following films? | |
| a) Forbidden Planet | | The Tempest |
| b) West Side Story | | Romeo and Juliet |
| c) Throne of Blood | | Macbeth |
| 2. Cats or kats | | |
| a) What was the unimaginative name of the feline owned by Audrey Hepburn's character in Breakfast at Tiffany's? | | Cat |
| b) Which disease, which can lead to birth defects, is caused by a parasite that can only reproduce sexually when hosted by a member of the cat family? | | Toxoplasmosis |
| c) Which musical takes place in the Kit Kat Club? | | Cabaret |
| 3. 2015 | September | |
| a) Wayne Rooney broke whose England goal-scoring record with a goal against Switzerland? | | (Bobby) Charlton |
| b) Homo naledi, an early form of human life, was discovered in which African country? | | South Africa |
| c) Former girlfriend of comic Greg Davies, who finished last in the Labour leadership election? | | (Liz) Kendall |
| 4. Quartets | What completes these quartets? | |
| a) Adenine, Thymine, Guanine and...? | | Cytosine (DNA base) |
| b) (In popular culture) Leonardo, Michelangelo, Raphael and...? | | Donatello (Ninja Turtles) |
| c) Burnt Norton, East Coker, The Dry Salvages and...? | | Little Gidding (Four Quartets) |
| 5. G | All answers begin with the letter G | |
| a) Cotton fabric, often in checked or striped design, of two coloured yarns. | | Gingham |
| b) Theatre on the Strand, demolished in 1903 for the development of Aldwych, famed for the beauty of its chorus girls? | | Gaiety |
| c) Scandinavian dish of salmon dry-cured with spice, sugar, salt and pepper? | | Gravlax/Gravadlax |
| 6. Walt Disney | | |
| a) Which '60s film gave Disney their first 'Best Picture' Oscar nomination? | | Mary Poppins |
| b) What was the three-letter first name of Walt Disney's brother and co-founder of the organisation? | | Roy |
| c) What was the name of the 'Lucky Rabbit' in an early Disney animated film? | | Oswald |
| 7. Words and Phrases | | |
| a) Derived from the Latin for 'troublesome', a word meaning to beg or plead with annoying persistence? | | Importune |
| b) Complete the IT acronym PICNIC: problem in chair not in...? | | Computer |
| c) The sleeping disorder pavor nocturnus is better known by what phrase? | | Night/sleep terror |
| 8. Cops and robbers | Cops and robbers on TV | |
| a) In which series did Jeff Stewart play the character Reg Hollis for over 24 years? | | The Bill |
| b) Which UK TV series starring Olivia Colman was remade as Gracepoint in the USA? | | Broadchurch |
| c) Which TV convict was married to Isobel, who appeared in one episode of the show? | | Norman Stanley Fletcher |

Beer Round

1.
 - a) Who played the title role in the BBC sitcom 'Dear John'? (Ralph) **Bates**
 - b) In Greek legend who was the warrior son of Peleus and Thetis? **Achilles**
 - c) Which bird is traditionally said to have attempted to free Jesus from the Cross? **Crossbill**

2.
 - a) Who played the title role in the BBC sitcom Rab C. Nesbitt? (Gregor) **Fisher**
 - b) To which Greek goddess was the Parthenon on the Acropolis in Athens dedicated? **Athena**
 - c) Which game bird, which is the official bird for the Canadian Nunavut territory, is known colloquially as a 'snow chicken' in the USA? **Ptarmigan**

Spare Questions

1. Horse Racing. Traditionally the flat racing season begins and ends at which racecourse? **Doncaster**
2. Which American writer first described the 1920s as the 'Jazz Age'? (F Scott) **Fitzgerald**
3. What name did the Portuguese explorer Bartolomeu Dias give to what is now the Cape of Good Hope? **Cape of Storms**