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Online Quiz League

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Note to QMs (please read aloud to teams): Players are politely reminded to have their hands in view at all times

## Round 1

| $\mathbf{1 a}$ | What innovation was introduced to the UK in 1476 by William Caxton, 36 years after its invention by Johannes <br> Gutenberg? This invention helped to increase the flow of information across Europe and has been linked to the scientific <br> revolution. | Moveable type Printing Press |
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| $\mathbf{1 b}$ | A traditional greeting in Japan could range from a nod of the head, a deep bend at the waist to bending the upper body <br> while kneeling. What is this kind of greeting? | A bow or rei (accept any suitable <br> synonym) |
| $\mathbf{2 a}$ | What type of canine is the trickster god in North American tradition? | Coyote |
| $\mathbf{2 b}$ | Which groundbreaking 1980s dramedy was set in the 'Blue Moon' detective agency where the bickering pair of Maddie <br> Hayes and David Addison solved cases? | Moonlighting |
| $\mathbf{3 a}$ | Mason Margiela's Replica collection of perfumes is designed to replicate personal memories through scent. The perfume <br> When the Rain Stops is designed to mimic which city? This city is home to some alleged remains of Saint Valentine, the <br> Patron Saint of lovers, which rest in Whitefriar Street Church. | Dublin |
| $\mathbf{3 b}$ | Which trumpeter was the first first jazz musician to win a Pulitzer prize? The prize was awarded in 1997 for his <br> composition Blood on the Fields. | Wynton Marsalis |
| $\mathbf{4 a}$ | In mathematics, what name is given to the selection of a number of items from a larger set, without replacement, where <br> the order of selection is important? | Permutation |
| $\mathbf{4 b}$ | In the sport of curling, what is the livestock-related name of the line behind which a player must release a stone? |  |

## Round 2

| $\mathbf{1 a}$ | Many of the largest animals in the ocean are gentle giants. They are filter feeders, feeding on plankton and small fish. <br> Which enormous shark is the second largest shark and is often seen in the summer months around the coast of South <br> West England, Wales and the west coast of Scotland? | Basking shark (Accept Cetorhinus <br> maximus) |
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| $\mathbf{1 b}$ | Which Studio Ghibli film, nominated for Best Animated Feature Oscar in January 2024 was written and directed by <br> Hayao Miyazaki? The film follows Mahito, a young 12-year-old boy, who struggles to settle in a new town after his <br> mother's death. | The Boy and the Heron |
| $\mathbf{2 a}$ | In iconic TV ads that ran from 1999 to 2002, Budweiser drinkers answered the phone to each other with what phrase? <br> mutually accepted variation of a language. Not to be confused with a term describing languages that have become <br> similar due to geographical proximity, what is a speech community also known as? | Whassup? (also known as <br> Wazzup. Accept What's up?) <br> carefully to answer and Do not <br> accept sprachbund) |
| $\mathbf{3 a}$ | International show jumper Rupert Campbell-Black features in the Rutshire Chronicles series of novels written by which <br> author? | Jilly Cooper |
| $\mathbf{3 b}$ | Christian Horner is the team principal for which Formula $\mathbf{1}$ team? This team's drivers for the 2023 season were Max <br> Verstappen and Sergio Perez. | Red Bull |
| $\mathbf{4 a}$ | What small Asian nation re-elected Xanana Gusmao in 2023 to serve as its 6th prime minister? | East Timor (Timor Leste) |
| $\mathbf{4 b}$ | Which singer's eponymous album of the 1980s was the 4th highest selling album of the decade in the UK and featured <br> the songs The Loco-Motion and I Should be so Lucky? You may give either her first or last name. | Kylie Minogue (Accept either <br> name) |

## Round 3

| $\mathbf{1 a}$ | Fortunately, (for some) 'Dry January' is over. For those who still want to be virtuous and holy there are many low and <br> alcohol-free beers to choose from. Founded in 2018 but seeing significant growth in 2023, which alcohol-free beer <br> brand comes in blue cans with its name written vertically in white capital letters (the bottles have a similar label design)? | $\underline{\text { Lucky Saint }}$ |
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| $\mathbf{1 b}$ | In the Tour de France, a flag hangs above the track to indicate that the riders have 1 km until the end and their pain will <br> still be over. This flag is known as the WHAT rouge? | Flamme |
| $\mathbf{2 a}$ | Simple Object Access Protocol or SOAP was a common specification used in early web services. What language, which <br> shares many features with a language used in web site development, was used to serialise data in SOAP? | eXtensible Markup Language <br> (Accept XML) |
| $\mathbf{2 b}$ | Which English neo soul singer was nominated for the 2023 Mercury Prize for her album Messy? In the same year she <br> was selected as BBC Music Introducing 'Artist of the Year' | Olivia Dean |
| $\mathbf{3 a}$ | What manor house near the village of Ellesborough is the country house of the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom? | $\underline{\text { Chequers }}$ |
| $\mathbf{3 b}$ | Which early evening BBC1 TV programme is co-hosted by a rotation of Alex Jones, Jermaine Jenas, Roman Kemp and <br> Lauren Laverne? | The One Show |
| $\mathbf{4 a}$ | Beatrix Potter's tales feature many different kinds of animals but what kind of animal is the impertinent Nutkin? | Squirrel |
| $\mathbf{4 b}$ | Which government agency, a subsidiary of the Department of Transport, has been based in Swansea since 1965, having <br> taken over its responsibilities from local councils? | $\underline{\text { DVLA (accept DVLC or Driver and }}$Vehicle Licensing Agency/Centre) |

## Round 4

| 12 | The Mabinogion, a collection of Welsh legend, is split into four main branches. The first of these is Pwyll (PU-ill), Prince of Dyfed (DOVE-ed), and centres on which female character who marries Pwyll and is framed for her son's murder? | Rhiannon |
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| 1b | 2024 marks the 120th anniversary of the death of which Czech composer, famous for compositions such as "New World" Symphony and Slavonic Dances? | Antonín Dvořák [duh•vaw•zhak] (be generous on pronunciation) |
| 2a | Which battle of the Napoleonic wars, fought on Russian soil, took place two days after the Battle of Shevardino? This battle was the bloodiest single day of the Napoleonic Wars and opened the path for Napoleon to take Moscow with a severely weakened Grand Armée. | Borodino |
| 2b | The strongman event that challenges competitors to place five increasingly heavy stone balls onto pedestals as fast as possible is named after which titan from Greek mythology who is known for bearing the heavens on his shoulders? | Atlas (Atlas Stones) |
| 3 a | First identified by Greek astronomer Ptolemy, which is the fourth-largest of the zodiac constellations? Its name means "fish" in Latin. | Pisces |
| 3b | Hyderabad is the state capital of which Indian state located on the Deccan plateau? | Telangana |
| 4 a | Parkrunners who enjoy a spot of tourism and variety might look to target their NENDY. If the letters NE stand for Nearest Event, what does NDY stand for? | Not Done Yet |
| 4b | Which BBC3 comedy stars real life sisters Kat Sadler and Lizzie Davidson? The Guardian described it as "an extreme comedy about debt, death, sex and shaving your legs". | Such Brave Girls (prompt on Brave Girls) |

## HALF-TIME - PLEASE CHANGE ORDER

## Round 5

| 1a | Modern web services may still use XML or HTML to serialise data but which data interchange format, defined by ECMA404 standard is more commonly used (particularly in RESTful services)? | JavaScript Object Notation or JSON pronounced Jason (do not accept Javascript on its own) |
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| 1b | The last rider in the Tour de France doesn't win anything but does get awarded which honorary title which also ends with the word rouge? | Lanterne Rouge |
| 2a | Another option you are at liberty to try for 'Dry January' and beyond is which alcohol-free beer from a Spanish brewery with roots in Alsace? It comes in a blue can with its name written in white and black. | Free Damm |
| 2b | Which south London singer, DJ, rapper, songwriter and record label co-founder was nominated for the 2023 Mercury Prize for her album Nymph? She has gained attention from the likes of Rihanna who has used her tracks on Fenty Beauty commercials and fashion shows. | Shygirl (accept Blane Muise) |
| 3a | Beatrix Potter's tales feature many different kinds of animals but what kind of animal is the naive Jemima? | (Puddle) Duck |
| 3b | Which government institution, a company wholly owned by HM Treasury, has been based in Llantrisant since 1966? It moved to Wales from London, where it had been based since 1272 (originally in the Tower of London). | Royal Mint |
| 4 a | Located in Maryland, what is the name of the country retreat of the President of the United States of America? | Camp David |

Which mid-morning ITV1 programme is co-hosted by a rotation of Alison Hammond, Dermot O'Leary, Josie Gibson, Craig Doyle and Rylan Clark?

## Round 6

| 1 a | Parkrun enthusiasts might be familiar with the initials DFYB in messages from their local event. These initials encourage participants not to forget what essential item to ensure their time is recorded? | Barcode |
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| 1b | 2024 marks the 200th anniversary of the birth of which Czech composer, famous for compositions such as the symphonic cycle Má vlast (My Country) and the opera The Bartered Bride? | Bedřich Smetana |
| 2a | First identified by Greek astronomer Ptolemy, which is the eleventh-largest of the zodiac constellations? Its name means "ram" in Latin. | Aries |
| 2b | The strongman event that challenges competitors to carry a heavy object around a fixed point is named after which fictional barbarian who was portrayed twice in films by Arnold Schwarznegger? The event bears a striking resemblance to the Wheel of Pain seen in one of the films. | Conan (Conan's Wheel) |
| 3a | Following his retreat from Russia, Napoleon fought against European allies in the War of the 6th Coalition. This culminated in which battle of 1813, fought in Saxony and also known as the Battle of Nations? The bloodiest battle of the Napoleonic Wars, it resulted in a French defeat and Napoleon's abdication. | Leipzig |
| 3b | Which BBC3 comedy stars real life brothers Mawaan and Nabhaan Rizwan? The Guardian described it as "a raucous, eyepopping millennial queer comedy". | Juice |

        The second branch of the Mabinogion is named after which female character, the daughter of Llyr (LLeer)? The story
        revolves around her marriage to the Irish king Matholwch (Math-OLL-ooch) and the war that ensues from his mistreatment
        of her.
    
## Round 7

| $\mathbf{1 a}$ | Guglielmo Marconi is widely credited as the inventor of which medium of communication? This medium was the main <br> form of mass communication until overtaken by television. | Radio |
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| $\mathbf{1 b}$ | A traditional greeting in France could range from 1 to 5 of these on each cheek. What is this kind of greeting? | Kiss (accept bisous or bise) |
| $\mathbf{2 a}$ | What type of arthropod is Anansi, the trickster in Akan folklore? | Spider |
| $\mathbf{2 b}$ | Which 1990s dramedy was set in the fictional, remote, Alaskan town of Cicely. It featured 'fish out of water' doctor Joel <br> Fleischman as the town's general practitioner. | Northern Exposure |
| $\mathbf{3 a}$ | Mason Margiela's Replica collection of perfumes is designed to replicate personal memories through scent. The perfume <br> Under the Lemon Trees is designed to mimic which city? This city is home to the remains of Saint Rosalia, the Patron <br> Saint of this city, which rest within a grotto on Mount Pellegrino. | Palermo |
| $\mathbf{3 b}$ | What is the name of the circular scoring area in curling? | $\underline{\text { House }}$ |
| $\mathbf{4 a}$ | The number of combinations when selecting $r$ items from a set of $n$ items can be calculated by dividing a function of $n$ by <br> a function of ( $n-r$ ) ( $n$ minus $r$ ). What is the name of the function that is applied to both $n$ and ( $n-r) ?$ | Factorial |

Which saxophonist, won a Pulitzer prize in 2007 for his album Sound Grammar. It was the first time a recording won the music Pulitzer, and a first for purely improvised music

## Ornette Coleman

## Round 8

| $\mathbf{1 a}$ | Gino, an Italian-American former gangster, and his daughter Lucky are central characters in a series of novels written by <br> which author? The novels cover much of the 20th century and are set in the world of organised crime. | Jackie Collins |
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| $\mathbf{1 b}$ | Which Disney/Pixar film, nominated for Best Animated Feature Oscar in January 2024 was directed by Peter Sohn? The <br> film centres around an atypical relationship between 'Ember Lumen' (fire) and 'Wade Ripple' (water). | Elemental |
| $\mathbf{2 a}$ | In January 2024 Hilda Heine became the President of what island country in Oceania? She was the first individual from <br> this country to earn a doctoral degree. | Marshall Islands |
| $\mathbf{2 b}$ | A fundamental concept in sociolinguistics, a language area can describe an area where a language is spoken with <br> different dialectal varieties. Not to be confused with a term describing a group of people who share a distinct and <br> mutually accepted variation of a language, what is a language area also known as? | Sprachraum |
| $\mathbf{3 a}$ | Which enormous, filter-feeding ray can reach up to 7m in width? They have no barb on their tail and tiny teeth that are <br> more like velcro. These gentle giants are found in tropical and sub-tropical waters and their name is Spanish and <br> Portuguese for blanket or cloak. | Manta Ray (Accept Mobula <br> birostris or Mobula Alfredi. Do <br> not accept Mobula ray or Devil |


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| $\mathbf{3 b}$ | Which singer's eponymous album of the 1980s was the 5th highest selling album of the decade in the UK and features <br> the songs So Emotional and I Wanna Dance with Somebody (Who Loves Me)? | Whitney Houston |
| $\mathbf{4 a}$ | An earlier Budweiser campaign from the 1990s showed three of what type of creature saying Bud, Weis and Er (which <br> were also the creature's names)? | Frogs |
| $\mathbf{4 b}$ | Toto Wolff is the team principal for which Formula $\mathbf{1}$ team? This team's drivers for the 2023 season were Lewis Hamliton <br> and George Russell. | Mercedes |

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## Spares

| $\mathbf{1}$ | According to the proverb, who is soon parted from their money? | A fool |
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| $\mathbf{2}$ | Can I Have My Ball Back? was the name of a 2022 memoir, which focused on his cancer diagnosis and treatment, his <br> mortality and masculinity, was published by which comedian? | Richard Herring |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | Endemic to two islands in Seychelles, which palm produces the largest seed in the worLd? | Coco de Mer (Accept Lodoicea OR <br> Lodoicea maldivica OR Sea <br> Coconut OR Double Coconut) |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | Castelfranco, Chioggia, Puntarelle and Treviso Tardivo are all types of what edible perennial herb, known for its bitter <br> and slightly spicy taste? | Chicory (Accept endive or <br> radicchio) |

