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## **Online Quiz League**

**Questions set by: OQL Committee**

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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

<b>1a</b>	<b>Which former managing director of John Lewis</b> narrowly lost in his attempt to win a third term as Conservative Mayor of the West Midlands at the recent local elections? His defeat led to an increase in pressure on Rishi Sunak.	<b>Andy STREET</b>
<b>1b</b>	In cricket, <b>what animal</b> lends its name to a score of zero runs by a batter?	<b>DUCK</b>
<b>2a</b>	In Shakespeare's <i>Hamlet</i> , <b>who</b> is described by the title character as "a fellow of infinite jest"?	<b>YORICK</b>
<b>2b</b>	In organic chemistry, <b>what class of compounds</b> contain a characteristic functional group that contains a central carbonyl group bonded to two other carbon atoms? The simplest example of these compounds is acetone.	<b>KETONEs</b>
<b>3a</b>	The Beatles were a support act on a tour of England in 1963 where the headliner was <b>which singer</b> , who had already had UK number ones with 'You Don't Know' and 'Walking Back to Happiness', both recorded when she was fourteen?	<b>Helen SHAPIRO</b>
<b>3b</b>	<b>Which British brand of washing powder</b> was advertised in the 1990s with the 'Doorstep Challenge', in which celebrities such as Danny Baker and Shane Richie would knock on doors to check how white their washing was?	<b>DAZ</b>
<b>4a</b>	<b>Which specific diacritical mark</b> , used frequently in German, is represented by two dots over the letters A, O and U? It has the same notation as a diaeresis [dye-err-REE-sis].	<b>UMLAUT</b>
<b>4b</b>	Judd Hirsch and Timothy Hutton were both nominated in the Best Supporting Actor category in the 1981 Academy Awards, with Hutton taking the prize, for <b>which 1980 drama directed by Robert Redford</b> and based on a 1976 Judith Guest novel?	<b>ORDINARY PEOPLE</b>

## Round 2

1a	<p><b>Which American entertainer</b> starred in and gives his name to a sitcom that ran from 1955 to 1959 in which he starred as Sergeant Bilko, a US Army sergeant who spends much of his time trying to swindle Colonel Hall at Fort Baxter?</p>	<p><b>Phil SILVERS</b> (accept <i>The <u>PHIL SILVERS SHOW</u></i>)</p>
1b	<p>With its headwater in the Cambrian mountains, <b>which river</b> forms some of the southern part of the Wales-England border as well as flowing through Hereford, Tintern and Chepstow?</p>	<p><b>River WYE</b> (or Afon <u>GWY</u>)</p>
2a	<p>The current world record holder in the women’s triple jump, Yulimar Rojas [ROH-hass], represents <b>which country in the Americas?</b></p>	<p><u>VENEZUELA</u></p>
2b	<p>The House of Windsor is descended from Sophia of Hanover, who was born as a princess of <b>which German royal house and Bavarian dynasty?</b> Louis IV [the fourth] and Charles VII [the seventh] were the only Holy Roman Emperors from this house.</p>	<p>House of <u>WITTELSBACH</u></p>
3a	<p>The acronym FAST – standing for Face, Arms, Speech, Time – is a mnemonic for signs of <b>what medical condition</b>, where blood flow to the brain has become restricted?</p>	<p><u>STROKE</u></p>
3b	<p>The leader of the Anglican Communion is the archbishop of <b>which cathedral city?</b></p>	<p><u>CANTERBURY</u></p>
4a	<p><b>Which French soft cheese</b>, washed with brine and pomace brandy, was described as the ‘king of all cheeses’ by famous gastronome Brillat-Savarin [bree-ya sav-ah-ran]? It is known for its very strong aroma, and it is often claimed that it is banned on French public transport.</p>	<p><u>ÉPOISSES</u> de Bourgogne [ep-wass]</p>
4b	<p>Besides ‘Fairytale of New York’, recorded with the Pogues, Kirsty MacColl’s biggest hit was a cover of <b>which Billy Bragg song?</b> The chorus includes the lyrics “I don’t want to change the world/I’m not looking for...” followed by the song’s three-word title.</p>	<p><u>‘A NEW ENGLAND’</u></p>

### Round 3

<b>1a</b>	Each human cell contains close to 2 metres of DNA, which is reduced down to less than 0.1 millimetres by being wound around <b>what basic cellular protein</b> ? DNA wound around these proteins create nucleosomes, which are then used to package DNA into a cell nucleus.	<b><u>HISTONE</u></b>
<b>1b</b>	<b>Which French neoclassical sculptor</b> is best known for his portrait busts of famous figures of the Enlightenment, such as Diderot, Rousseau, Voltaire, Franklin, and Washington?	<b>Jean-Antoine <u>HOUDON</u></b>
<b>2a</b>	The publications <i>Match</i> and <i>FourFourTwo</i> are magazines concerning <b>which sport</b> ?	<b><u>FOOTBALL</u></b> (accept <b><u>SOCCER</u></b> )
<b>2b</b>	<b>What is the stage name</b> of the stand-up comedian from West Bromwich whose real name is Christopher Collins? He is famous for hosting the TV shows <i>Fantasy Football League</i> and <i>Room 101</i> , and appeared on the first series of <i>Taskmaster</i> on Dave.	<b>Frank <u>SKINNER</u></b>
<b>3a</b>	Written by and starring Richard Gadd, <b>what 2024 Netflix series</b> was based on Gadd's real-life experience of being stalked by a customer, played by Jessica Gunning, of a pub where he worked?	<b><u>BABY REINDEER</u></b>
<b>3b</b>	One of the few national flags that contains the colour purple, <b>which country's</b> flag features the Sisserou parrot inside a red circle? This is also the national bird of this Caribbean island nation.	<b><u>DOMINICA</u></b> (do not accept "Dominican Republic")
<b>4a</b>	Also the home of the Liverpool women's team, Prenton Park is the home ground of <b>which League Two side</b> ?	<b><u>TRANMERE Rovers FC</u></b>
<b>4b</b>	Brutus was among the most famous of the assassins of <b>which man</b> , who was killed on the 15th March 44 BCE?	<b>Julius <u>CAESAR</u></b>

## Round 4

1a	<b>What children's game</b> is referenced in the title of a song from Skepta's debut album, <i>Greatest Hits</i> ? On the track, Skepta rhymes the title with "my little eye".	<b><u>ISPY</u></b>
1b	<b>Which fashion designer</b> , who was born in Venezuela in 1939, is most famous for dressing American First Ladies including Jackie Kennedy, Michelle Obama and Melania Trump? She launched her namesake fashion house in 1981.	<b>Carolina <u>HERRERA</u></b>
2a	Considered a founder of cognitive science, <b>which American psychologist</b> postulated in his highly-cited 1956 work that the average number of objects a human can hold in short term memory is "The Magical Number Seven, Plus or Minus Two"?	<b>George Armitage <u>MILLER</u></b>
2b	Alison Hammond replaced <b>which comedian</b> , who portrayed George Dawes on <i>Shooting Stars</i> and is known for his work with David Walliams, as a co-host of <i>The Great British Bake Off</i> in 2023?	<b>Matt <u>LUCAS</u></b>
3a	A 1981 race riot in Liverpool is named for <b>which area of the city</b> where the riots took place? This area is still affected by relatively high levels of gun crime.	<b><u>TOXTETH</u></b>
3b	<b>Who was the only tennis player</b> to defeat Björn Borg at the French Open, a feat he achieved twice? Prior to Jannik Sinner, he was the most recent Italian man to win a tennis grand slam singles title.	<b>Adriano <u>PANATTA</u></b>
4a	Former winners of BBC Young Musician of the Year Emma Johnson and Mark Simpson are performers on <b>what woodwind instrument</b> ? Jazz musicians who played this instrument include Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman.	<b><u>CLARINET</u></b>
4b	<b>What mathematical operation</b> is denoted by an exclamation mark? The operation involves multiplying together all of the numbers between 1 and x; if x were 3, this operation would be 3 times 2 times 1.	<b><u>FACTORIAL</u></b>

## HALF-TIME - PLEASE CHANGE ORDER

### Round 5

<b>1a</b>	<b>What medical condition</b> occurs when blood flow in one of the coronary arteries is restricted or blocked entirely? Technically known as a myocardial infarction, it often presents with pain in the chest and up and down the left side of the body.	<b><u>HEART ATTACK</u></b> (do not accept “heart failure” or “cardiac arrest” etc)
<b>1b</b>	The holder of <b>which position</b> serves as the head of the Roman Catholic Church?	<b><u>POPE</u></b> (or <b><u>BISHOP OF ROME, Supreme PONTIFF</u></b> )
<b>2a</b>	<b>Which semi-soft cow’s cheese</b> from the French Jura Mountains has a distinctive black layer across the middle, which developed when cheesemakers making Comté would put ash on cheese left overnight?	<b><u>MORBIER</u></b>
<b>2b</b>	<b>Which cover of a song by Ewan MacColl</b> , father of Kirsty, is among the Pogues’ most famous songs after ‘Fairytale of New York’? The song’s chorus consists of its three-word title, a reference to MacColl’s birthplace, Salford	<b><u>‘DIRTY OLD TOWN’</u></b>
<b>3a</b>	Based on the earlier radio show <i>My Favourite Husband</i> , <b>what American sitcom</b> that ran from 1951 to 1957 featured a middle-class housewife concocting schemes with friends Ethel and Fred in order to appear alongside her husband, played by Desi Arnaz, in his nightclub? It became one of the most watched TV shows around the world, one episode pulling in 44 million viewers.	<b><u>I LOVE LUCY</u></b>
<b>3b</b>	With its headwater in Snowdonia, <b>which river</b> forms some of the northern part of the Wales-England border as well as flowing through Bala Lake and Chester?	<b>River <u>DEE</u></b>
<b>4a</b>	The current world record holder in the women’s 100 metres hurdles, Tobi Amusan represents <b>which country in Africa</b> ?	<b><u>NIGERIA</u></b>
<b>4b</b>	Sophia of Hanover became the heiress presumptive of the English, Scottish and Irish thrones under the Act of Settlement of <b>which year</b> ? She died just months before she would have become queen, and her son George I became King.	<b><u>1701</u></b>

## Round 6

1a	In December 1962, the Beatles were the opening act for <b>which singer's</b> performances at the Star-Club in Hamburg? Her big hits included 'I Want to Be Wanted' and 'All Alone am I', as well as a Christmas classic that was released in 1958 and topped the Billboard Charts in 2023.	<b>Brenda <u>LEE</u></b> (or <b>Brenda Mae <u>TARPLEY</u></b> )
1b	In the 2000s, Danny Baker reprised his role as a Daz doorstepper in a spoof advert for <b>which brand of beer</b> alongside Peter Kay? With the tagline 'No nonsense', other adverts Kay appeared in for this brand include a footballer kicking a ball into a garden and a diver performing a 'running bomb'.	<b><u>JOHN SMITH's</u></b>
2a	<b>Which specific diacritical mark</b> is typically represented as a tail or comma-shape underneath a letter? In French and Portuguese this diacritic only appears underneath the letter C.	<b><u>CEDILLA</u></b> (accept <b><u>CÉDILLE</u></b> , <b><u>TRENC</u></b> )
2b	Jennifer Tilley and Diane Wiest were both nominated in the Best Supporting Actress category in the 1995 Academy Awards, with Wiest taking the prize, for <b>which 1994 black comedy directed by Woody Allen?</b>	<b><u>BULLETS OVER BROADWAY</u></b>
3a	<b>Which former cabinet minister</b> was elected as Labour Mayor of Greater Manchester for the third time in the recent general elections?	<b>Andy <u>BURNHAM</u></b>
3b	In cricket, <b>what outdated term for an unmarried woman</b> lends its name to a score of zero runs in an over?	<b><u>MAIDEN</u></b>
4a	Yorick is the name of the central character in <b>which author's</b> 1768 novel <i>A Sentimental Journey</i> ? Yorick also appears in another novel by this author, which concerns the "Life and Opinions" of the title character.	<b>Laurence <u>STERNE</u></b>
4b	In organic chemistry, <b>what class of compounds</b> differs from ketones by having the carbonyl group attached at the end of the carbon chain? The simplest of these has the formula CH <sub>2</sub> O and the systematic name methanal.	<b><u>ALDEHYDES</u></b>



## Round 7

1a	Which <b>English city</b> saw a 1980 race riot in the suburb of St Pauls?	<b><u>BRISTOL</u></b>
1b	Which <b>Italian tennis player</b> is the all-time leader for wins in the Davis Cup? His grand slam career saw him win back-to-back French Open titles in 1959 and 1960?	Nicola <b><u>PIETRANGELI</u></b>
2a	Former winners of BBC Young Musician of the Year Nicola Benedetti and Jennifer Pike are performers on <b>what string instrument?</b> Jazz musicians who played this instrument include Stéphane Grappelli.	<b><u>VIOLIN</u></b>
2b	What <b>type of mathematical sequence</b> is found by multiplying each term by a common ratio at each step, for example the sequence beginning 2, 10, 50, 250, where each step is multiplied by 5? This type of sequence is contrasted with an arithmetic sequence and takes its name from another branch of mathematics.	<b><u>GEOMETRIC</u> sequence</b>
3a	What <b>children's game</b> is referenced in the title of the lead single from Stormzy's most recent album, <i>This Is What I Mean</i> ? On the track, Stormzy confesses "you know where to find me, babe".	<b><u>HIDE-AND-SEEK</u></b> (accept <b><u>HIDE-AND-GO-SEEK</u></b> )
3b	Which <b>Dominican-born fashion designer</b> gained international attention with a peach dress worn by Jackie Kennedy, and is also known for dressing Nancy Reagan and Hillary Clinton? As well as his namesake fashion label, he is known for his tenure at Balmain, and he died in 2014.	Oscar de la <b><u>RENTA</u></b>
4a	British psychologist Alan Baddeley expanded the model of short-term memory to a three-component model including the central executive, the phonological loop, and the visuo-spatial sketchpad. With a name coined by George Miller, this is known as <b>what type of memory?</b>	<b><u>WORKING</u> memory</b>
4b	Following his death in 2023, it was announced that Alison Hammond would replace <b>which comedian</b> , known for his character Lily Savage, as presenter of the reality documentary series <i>For the Love of Dogs</i> ?	Paul <b><u>O'GRADY</u></b>

## Round 8

<b>1a</b>	<i>Baby Reindeer</i> was replaced at the top of the Netflix charts by the third season of <b>which historical romance series</b> starring Adjoa Andoh and Nicola Coughlan?	<b><u>BRIDGERTON</u></b>
<b>1b</b>	Two countries in Central America also contain the colour purple on their national flag, appearing in a rainbow on the coat of arms. Both bordering Honduras: one is El Salvador, <b>what is the other?</b>	<b><u>NICARAGUA</u></b>
<b>2a</b>	Also the home of the Aston Villa women's team, the Bescot Stadium is the home ground of <b>which League Two side?</b>	<b><u>WALSALL FC</u></b>
<b>2b</b>	<b>Which final Queen of the Ptolemaic Kingdom of Egypt</b> was a partner of Julius Caesar? A popular legend surrounding her death is that she killed herself by an asp bite. Regnal name only required.	<b><u>CLEOPATRA VII Philopator</u></b>
<b>3a</b>	The next stage of DNA packaging sees nucleosomes bound together to form <b>what substance?</b> This substance most commonly comes in two types - eu-[blank], which makes up more than 90% of the human genome, and hetero-[blank], which is much more tightly packed.	<b><u>CHROMATIN</u></b>
<b>3b</b>	<b>Which 18th-century German-Austrian sculptor</b> is best known for his so called 'character heads', a collection of busts with faces contorted in extreme facial expressions?	<b>Franz Xaver <u>MESSERSCHMIDT</u></b>
<b>4a</b>	The publications <i>Uncut</i> and <i>Kerrang!</i> are magazines concerning <b>which general subject?</b>	<b><u>MUSIC</u></b> (accept more precise answers)
<b>4b</b>	<b>What is the stage name</b> of the stand-up comedian from St Helens whose real name is Michael Pennington? He is famous for his turn as Geoff Maltby in the sitcom <i>Benidorm</i> and for advertising PG Tips alongside a cloth monkey, and he appeared on the tenth series of <i>Taskmaster</i> , the first broadcast on Channel 4.	<b>Johnny <u>VEGAS</u></b>

## Spares

1	<b>Who</b> was crowned the 2023–24 NBA MVP? Despite winning the award he was unable to help his team repeat the NBA championship win of 2023 after they were beaten 4-3 by the Minnesota Timberwolves.	<b>Nikola <u>JOKIĆ</u></b>
2	<b>What variety of coffee drink</b> forms the title of the UK number one single for Sabrina Carpenter?	<b><u>ESPRESSO</u></b>
3	Prior to Alaska joining the union, <b>which US state</b> was the largest in area? It is still the second-largest state and largest of the 48 contiguous states of the USA.	<b><u>TEXAS</u></b>
4	<b>Which Conservative MP</b> has returned to government despite having had all four of his limbs removed following a bout of sepsis in 2023?	<b>Craig <u>MACKINLAY</u></b>