



ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE

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Round 1

1a	Getting its name from the action of using one's foot to start an internal combustion engine, typically on a motorcycle, which BBC motorbike trials game show saw contestants trying to navigate obstacles such as logs, water and a VW Beetle?	<u>Kick Start</u>
1b	What noun is " <i>with a pearl earring</i> " in a Jan Vermeer painting and " <i>with a dragon tattoo</i> " in a Stieg Larsson book?	<u>Girl</u>
2a	The son of Edmund I and known by the cognomen "The Peaceable", which king of England was reputedly rowed on the river Dee by several Welsh and Scottish kings in 973 A.D.	<u>Edgar</u>
2b	The reaction of primary alcohols with an oxidising agent, such as acidified potassium dichromate, will either yield an aldehyde or, if allowed to run to completion, what other type of organic compound, a simple example of which is the main ingredient non-aqueous in vinegar?	<u>carboxylic acid</u>
3a	Also known for being the mistress of Pericles, which brothel-owner was one of the most influential women in 5th Century Athens?	<u>Aspasia</u>
3b	In woodworking, the adjustable iron wedge that holds the blade of a plane at the proper angle and allows it to be varied in depth relative to the sole, is named after which animal?	<u>frog</u>
4a	Báifàn [bye-fan] is the Mandarin for what food item and staple of Chinese and other Asian cuisine? No Chinese takeaway would be complete without this food, which often comes fried with shrimp, vegetables and/or egg.	<u>rice</u> (accept more specific answers such as egg fried rice)
4b	Edward Bulwer-Lytton's novel <i>Paul Clifford</i> opens with what phrase, frequently regarded as the archetypal bad story opener?	"It was a <u>dark and stormy night.</u>" (be lenient as long as they say the three underlined words)

Round 2

1a	Active at the end of the 'Golden Age of Piracy', which notorious pirate, whose flagship was at one point the <i>Kingston</i> , was captured after his ship received a broadside from pirate hunter Jonathan Barnet? This pirate is also known for having female crew members such as Mary Read.	<u>Jack Rackham</u> (accept <u>Calico Jack</u>)
1b	Contrasted with a local variable, what name is given in programming to a variable that can be accessed by all parts of a programme?	<u>Global Variable</u>
2a	Which member of the original <i>Beyond the Fringe</i> cast went on to great success as a playwright and diarist? His first major success being the play <i>Forty Years On</i> .	<u>Alan Bennett</u>
2b	In the film <i>Back to the Future</i> , what speed must the modified De Lorean attain in order to travel through time?	<u>88 mph</u>
3a	San Pellegrino's sparkling drink named <i>Aranciata Rossa</i> translates into English as which flavour?	<u>blood orange</u> (prompt on <u>orange</u>)
3b	According to a famous Grauniad (pronounced Guardian) misprint, Shakespeare wrote a play entitled <i>The Taming of the...</i> what?	<u>Screw</u>
4a	On one of the rare occasions where he utters a sentence without any swear words, which character from the show <i>The Thick of It</i> does Malcolm Tucker put down with the scathing insult "You've got all the charm of a rotting teddy bear by a graveside"? First name or surname will be accepted.	<u>Nicola Murray</u> (accept either underlined part)
4b	Coined by Margaret Rossiter and named for the author of the 1870 essay "Woman as Inventor", which effect describes the tendency not to give due credit to female scientists and instead attribute their work to male colleagues?	The <u>Matilda</u> Effect

Round 3

1a	Trevor Francis became the first British player to attract a transfer fee in excess of £1m when he transferred to Nottingham Forest from which club?	<u>Birmingham City</u>
1b	In the Wacky Races spin-off The Perils of Penelope Pitstop what was the name of the group of diminutive hoodlums who helped Penelope to escape the clutches of the Hooded Claw?	<u>Ant Hill Mob</u>
2a	Which U.S. singer released the seminal 1959 album, "Gunfighter Ballads" and "Trail Songs"?	<u>Marty Robbins</u>
2b	In the novel <i>Dumb Witness</i> , Hercule Poirot mentions four of the previous murderers he has caught to Hastings. Referred to by Poirot as "handsome young X", one of those people was responsible for the death of French moneylender Madame Giselle in which earlier Poirot novel?	<u>Death in the Clouds</u>
3a	Which British sitcom had an episode where the main character was seen giving an Austin 1100 a "damn good thrashing"?	<u>Fawlty Towers</u>
3b	"Just a band" according to Scroobius Pip's <i>Thou Shalt Always Kill</i> ; which group's classic line up featured Black Francis, Kim Deal, Joey Santiago and David Lovering	<u>Pixies</u>
4a	One of the three New Seven Wonders to be located in Asia is which ancient city located in Jordan?	<u>Petra</u>
4b	3,4,5 and 5,12,13 are "triples" known by the name of which Greek mathematician, because they are integer values that satisfy this man's eponymous geometric theorem?	<u>Pythagoras (accept Pythagorean triples)</u>

Round 4

1a	First described by film critic Nathan Rubin, based upon Kirsten Dunst's character in <i>Elizabethtown</i> , what four word phrase describes a female character who "exists solely in the fevered imaginations of sensitive writer-directors to teach broodingly soulful young men to embrace life and its infinite mysteries and adventures."	<u>Manic Pixie Dream Girl</u>
1b	In which Booker Prize winning novel does the protagonist take a motoring holiday in the West Country on his way to a reunion with Miss Kenton, a former colleague?	<u>The Remains of The Day</u>
2a	Combining two of your setter's interests - Doctor Who and saying "Smith" whilst quizzing, what are the forenames of the character played by Elizabeth Sladen in the aforementioned popular show?	<u>Sarah Jane Smith</u> _(do not accept or prompt on Smith , grudgingly accept Sarah Jane)
2b	What was the name of the schoolteacher in CBeebies <i>Balamory</i> ? Her main colour was green.	<u>Miss Hoolie</u>
3a	Which then-Conservative Home Secretary when asked, twelve times in a row, by Jeremy Paxman, "Did you threaten to overrule him"? This man declined to provide a straight answer, maintaining instead that he "did not instruct him"?	<u>Michael Howard</u>
3b	In DNA what base, paired with thymine, is represented by the letter A?	<u>adenine</u>
4a	At the inaugural Golden Joystick awards in 1983 - hosted by Dave Lee Travis - which game won 'Best Arcade Style Game of the Year'? Originally written for the ZX Spectrum, the game required the central character, Willy, to navigate his way through a series of increasingly challenging caverns.	<u>Manic Miner</u>
4b	Two of the fourteen movements of Camille Saint-Saëns' <i>Le Carnaval des animaux</i> represent humans. The first of these is movement VIII (eight), which is titled for people with what notable anatomical feature?	<u>Long Ears</u> (prompt on ears alone)

HALF TIME – SWITCH ORDER

Round 5

1a	One of the three New Seven Wonders to be located in South America is which 15th Century citadel located in Peru?	<u>Machu Picchu</u>
1b	What noun is “ <i>The Starry</i> ” in a Vincent Van Gogh painting and “ <i>Endless</i> ” in an Agatha Christie book?	<u>Night</u>
2a	Which British sitcom had an episode where the main character was seen dangling over a cliff edge, clutching the bumper and exhaust pipe of a Morris Minor?	<u>Some Mothers Do ‘Ave ‘Em</u>
2b	In which Booker Prize winning novel does the protagonist recount a boat journey undertaken with Richard Parker?	<u>Life of Pi</u>
3a	Which U.S. singer spent nineteen weeks at number one in the UK singles chart in 1955 with his yodelling cowboy take on the song <i>Rose Marie</i> ?	Otis Dewey <u>Whitman</u> (accept Slim <u>Whitman</u>)
3b	In woodworking, the tapered screw point found on a brace and bit is named after which animal?	<u>snail</u>
4a	Alan Shearer became the first British player to attract a transfer fee in excess of £15m when he transferred to Newcastle United from which club?	<u>Blackburn Rovers</u>
4b	In DNA what base, paired with guanine, is represented by the letter C?	<u>cytosine</u>

Round 6

1a	At the inaugural Golden Joystick awards in 1983 - hosted by Dave Lee Travis - which game won 'Game of the Year'? Originally released on the ZX Spectrum and VIC-20, the game saw the central character having to assemble his personal propulsion system, whilst defending himself from hostile aliens, in order to repeat the process on a series of planets.	<u>Jet Pac</u>
1b	In the novel <i>Dumb Witness</i> , Hercule Poirot mentions four of the previous murderers he has caught to Hastings. Referred to by Poirot as "quiet, reliable X", one of those people was responsible for the death of American heiress Ruth Kettering in which earlier Poirot novel?	<u>The Mystery of the Blue Train</u>
2a	Which Conservative politician was confronted with stinging questions about his past from Eddie Mair in 2013? Topics included getting sacked from The Times after forging a quote, getting sacked as shadow minister by Michael Howard for lying about an affair and assisting and egging on friend Darius Guppy in his threats to assault a journalist?	Alexander Boris de Pfeffel <u>Johnson</u>
2b	In the film <i>Speed</i> , dropping below what speed will cause the explosives on the bus to explode?	<u>50 mph</u>
3a	Combining two of your setter's interests - Doctor Who and saying "Smith" whilst quizzing, what is the forename in the stage name of the actor who played the eleventh incarnation of The Doctor in the aforementioned popular show?	<u>Matt Smith</u> (do not accept or prompt on Smith , grudgingly accept Matt)
3b	1, 1, 2, 3, 5 are the first five numbers in a sequence named for which Italian mathematician? Each number in the sequence is the sum of the two previous numbers.	<u>Fibonacci (accept Leonardo Bonacci)</u>
4a	In which 1974 film does the Mexican crime lord El Jefe offer \$1 million to whoever performs the title action? Many variations on the title of this film have been put forward by Graeme Garden in the <i>Film Club</i> round on <i>I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue</i> ?	<u>Bring Me the Head of Alfredo Garcia</u>
4b	Named after the cartoonist who represented it in her comic strip <i>Dykes to Watch Out For</i> , which test of female representation in fiction asks whether the work in question features at least two women who talk to one another about something other than a man.	The <u>Bechdel test</u> (pronounced Beck-dell)

Round 7

1a	Jiǎozi [(rhymes with cow) jow-zee] is the Mandarin for what food item and staple of Chinese and other Asian cuisine? Although they rarely make up part of a Chinese takeaway (at least in the Crawley household), these meat and/or vegetable containing items usually come steamed, boiled or pan-fried, and accompanied by a dipping sauce.	<u>dumplings</u>
1b	In the Wacky Races spin-off Dastardly and Mutley in their Flying Machines, to what military unit were the title characters assigned, with a mission to stop Yankee Doodle Pigeon delivering dispatches?	<u>Vulture Squadron</u>
2a	Taking the throne after the death of her husband, who commanded the naval forces from Halicarnassus at the battle of Salamis?	<u>Artemisia</u>
2b	Contrasted with passing by value, what term is used in programming to describe passing the address in memory of a variable into a procedure instead of cloning the variable?	Passing by <u>Reference</u>
3a	The son of Edgar and known by the cognomen "The Martyr", which King of England was murdered at Corfe in 978 A.D. reputedly at the instigation of the mother of his successor, AElthelred?	<u>Edward</u>
3b	"Just a band" according to Scroobius Pip's <i>Thou Shalt Always Kill</i> ; which group's line-up features Alex Turner, Jamie Cook, Nick O'Malley and Matt Helders.	<u>Arctic Monkeys</u>
4a	Perhaps named after a collective noun that would appropriately reflect the level of sporting celebrity among its contestants, which BBC programme saw sportsmen from multiple disciplines competing against each other? Kevin Keegan famously crashed during a cycling heat	<u>Superstars</u>
4b	According to a famous Grauniad (pronounced Guardian) misprint, Miles Davis released an album entitled "Sketches of..." what?	<u>Pain</u>

Round 8

1a	On one of the rare occasions where he utters a sentence without any swear words, which character from the show <i>The Thick of It</i> does Malcolm Tucker put down with the scathing insult "You were like a sweaty octopus trying to unhook a bra"? First name or surname will be accepted.	<u>Ben Swain</u> (accept either underlined part)
1b	The reaction of secondary alcohols with an oxidising agent, such as acidified potassium dichromate, yields what type of organic compound, the simplest example of which is the active ingredient in nail polish remover?	<u>ketone</u>
2a	San Pellegrino's sparkling drink named <i>Pompeimo</i> translates into English as which flavour?	<u>grapefruit</u>
2b	What was the name of the policeman in CBeebies <i>Balamory</i> ? His main colour was purple.	<u>PC Plum</u>
3a	Which member of the original <i>Beyond the Fringe</i> cast went on to a dual career in both medicine and theatre direction, notably opera? He also wrote and presented the documentary series, <i>The Body in Question</i> .	<u>Dr Jonathan Miller</u>
3b	Also opening with "It was a dark and stormy night" is which book by Madeleine L'Engle?	<u>A Wrinkle in Time</u>
4a	One of Jack Rackham's crew members was which notable female pirate and Rackham's lover, who he met in the Bahamas? Both her and Read were sentenced to be executed alongside Rackham, but both of them had their executions stayed by claiming to be pregnant.	<u>Anne Bonny</u>
4b	Two of the fourteen movements of Camille Saint-Saëns' <i>Le Carnaval des animaux</i> represent humans. The second of these is movement XI (eleven), which is titled for people with what profession?	<u>pianists (accept obvious equivalents)</u>

Spare Questions

1	In the first season of OQL, one of your setters disappointed their opposition by not being which actor, who plays Robert Crawley, Ninth Earl of Grantham in <i>Downton Abbey</i> ?	<u>Hugh Bonneville</u>
2	In ornithology, what slightly disparaging term for hard to distinguish birds does the acronym LBJ stand for?	<u>little brown job</u>
3	In <i>Thor: Ragnarok</i> , what are the cringe-worthy names Skurge gives to his twin M16A1 assault rifles?	<u>Des and Troy (on principle, do NOT accept or prompt on Troy and Des)</u>
4	According to Nigel Tufnell of seminal British hard rock band, Spinal Tap: which is " <i>The saddest of all keys</i> "?	<u>Dm (D minor)</u>
5	Which station on the Northern Line is located between Euston and Camden Town? This station lends its name to a game on the Radio 4 show <i>I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue</i> .	<u>Mornington Crescent</u>