

Steeple Aston Village Hall Quiz Night – 21st January 2012

Questions

Round 1 – Formerly known as (*places*)

1. Formerly known as **Abyssinia**, what is it now called?
2. Formerly known as **Constantinople**, what is it now called?
3. Formerly known as **Upper Volta**, what is it now called?
4. Formerly known as **Formosa**, what is it now called?
5. Formerly known as **New Amsterdam**, what is it now called?
6. Formerly known as **Nyasaland**, what is it now called?
7. Formerly known as **Ceylon**, what is it now called?
8. Formerly known as **Stalingrad**, what is it now called?
9. Formerly known as **Madras**, what is it now called?
10. Formerly known as **New Hebrides**, what is it now called?

Round 1 – General Knowledge

1. Which is the largest inhabited castle in the U.K.?
2. What sort of triangle was the focus of Pythagoras' well known theorem?
3. What was special about Sandringham time in the early years of the 20th Century?
4. Only one British city in its entirety is designated a World Heritage Site. Which is it?
5. In today's currency, how much would 25 guineas be?
6. What term is given to the young of a camel?
7. Which stately home provided the setting for the acclaimed TV series Downton Abbey?
8. Which is the only number that, when written as a word, has its letters in alphabetical order?
9. Who designed the sculpture 'The Angel of the North'?
10. What does the word biscuit actually mean?

Round 2 – Main claim to fame

1. What is **Red Rum**'s main claim to fame?
2. What is **Robin Knox Johnston**'s main claim to fame?
3. What is **Alfred Wainwright**'s main claim to fame?
4. What is the main claim to fame of the **Montgolfier brothers**?
5. The Penny Bazaar was the main claim to fame of which Russian immigrant?
6. What is **Sir Steve Redgrave**'s main claim to fame?
7. What was **Yuri Gagarin**'s main claim to fame?
8. What was **George Bradshaw**'s main claim to fame?
9. What was the main claim to fame of father and son **George & Robert Stephenson**?
10. What is the main claim to fame of **Roald Amundsen**?

Round 2 – General Knowledge

1. Which is the longest river in the British Isles?
2. What is the name of the Queen's 1st great grandchild?
3. What is the North American version of the Yeti known as?
4. Who is the only person in history ever to have had a tree, a capital city, an item of footwear and a recipe named after him?
5. Who was Britain's longest serving Prime Minister?
6. What name is common to both a plant and a butterfly?
7. Which Dean of New College Oxford allegedly spoke of the Lord as a "Shoving Leopard"?
8. In which English county is Brooklands, the first motor racing circuit in the world?

9. Who was the Governor of the Bahamas from 1940-45?
10. What surname has derived from a maker of arrows?

Round 3 – The answer starts with ‘Q’

1. What is the capital of Ecuador?
2. By what name is the 1st Sunday in Lent known?
3. What is the fruit of the japonica shrub?
4. Whose experiment had the nation enthralled in the summer of 1953?
5. Who was largely responsible for the popularity of the mini skirt in the 1960’s?
6. By what other name is mercury known?
7. Whose name became synonymous with the rules of boxing in 1867?
8. What aerial sporting competition takes place at Hogwarts?
9. By what other name was the Hunchback of Notre-Dame known?
10. What is the national bird of Guatemala?

Round 3 – General Knowledge

1. What is the name of the bell traditionally rung at Lloyds of London at times of shipping disaster?
2. Born Adolph Marx, how is he better known?
3. The Bodleian Library is full to overflowing. Where are more than a million of its books now stored?
4. Name two very long-running TV series which came to an end in 2010.
5. At which city do the Blue and White Niles meet?
6. How many toes on each foot does a hippopotamus have?
7. Who played the part of King George VI in the film ‘The King’s Speech’?
8. If a dish is described Florentine, which vegetable is it most likely to contain?
9. The Harkness family was particularly noted for its development of which plant?
10. How is “Billy William’s cabbage patch” better known?

Round 4 – Multiple Choice

1. What sort of creature is a ‘sarcastic fringehead’? Is it a bird, a fish or a monkey?
2. 22 English kings have been called Edward, George or Henry. Which of the names means ‘farmer’ in Greek?
3. Which of these 3 characters was **not** one of Alexander Dumas’ Three Musketeers? Aramis, d’Artagnan or Porthos?
4. Grace Road is the home ground for which English cricket county? Durham, Leicester or Somerset?
5. Is the world’s major producer of orange juice Brazil, Spain or the USA?
6. Netball games are divided into quarters. How long is each quarter? 10, 15 or 20 minutes?
7. ‘Moonraker’ is a term used to describe a native of which county? Dorset, Shropshire or Wiltshire?
8. Which seaside town has the longest pleasure pier in England? Swanage, Southwold, Southend or Southport?
9. Whose final words were supposedly “*I should never have switched from Scotch to Martinis*”?
Was it Dean Martin, James Cagney or Humphrey Bogart?
10. What is the name of the wind that blows from North Africa to Southern Europe?
The Levanter, The Mistral or the Scirocco?

Round 4 – General Knowledge

1. “*Stands the Church clock at ten to three? And is there honey still for tea?*” are famous lines from which poem by Rupert Brooke?
2. What does the acronym USB stand for?
3. What sort of bird is a goldeneye?
4. The mythological twin founders of Rome, Romulus & Remus, were suckled by which animal as infants?
5. Where is the Royal Mint located?
6. Which town in Buckinghamshire is famous for its Pancake Day Races?
7. In relation to the human body, what is the clavicle?
8. How many miners were rescued from the collapsed Chilean copper mine in 2010?

- Which much loved character in Eastenders died in the episode shown on New Year's Day?
- Apart from black & white, how many colours are there on the flag of the Republic of South Africa?

Round 5 – Blue Connections

- When a vessel is ready to proceed to sea, it may fly the Blue Peter flag. What is shown in the centre of the flag?
- The Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia are part of which larger mountain range?
- The fluorite known as Blue John is found in which English county?
- The painting known as The Blue Boy was the work of which artist?
- What was the name of the boat in which Donald Campbell died on Coniston Water in 1967?
- In 1969 the Royal Horse Guards and the Royal Dragoons merged to become known as what?
- Bluebottle was a character in many of the Goons' sketches. Which Goon played the part?
- Blue jeans are usually made of denim. How did this fabric get its name?
- Which plant with little blue flowers shares its name with a stairway to heaven?
- A cocktail made from vodka with ice, lemonade and Blue Curaçao, is known as what?

Round 5 – General Knowledge

- Which train station was the setting for the 'Brief Encounter' of Trevor Howard and Celia Johnson in the 1945 film?
- How many bytes are there in a kilobyte?
- Who wrote of Oxford as "*that sweet city of dreaming spires*"?
- Ophthalmology deals with the structure and diseases of the eye. Can you spell OPHTHALMOLOGY?
- What colour is the central one of the five Olympic rings?
- What name is given to the 45th anniversary of marriage?
- A cruciverbalist is an enthusiastic follower of which pastime?
- Which English King was born in Islip?
- Nowadays the term 'black gold' usually refers to oil. But in Ancient times a different commodity was known as black gold. What was it?
- Thomas à Becket was murdered in Canterbury Cathedral in 1170 by how many Knights?

Round 6 – Lasts

- Prior to Wootton Bassett, which was the last town in England to be awarded Royal Status?
- Which was the last U.S. State to join the Union?
- Who was the last Stuart monarch?
- Which area of England was the last to be designated a National Park in 2010?
- Who wrote '*The Last of the Mohicans*'?
- Who painted '*The Last Supper*'?
- Who took his 800th Test wicket with the very last ball of his Test career?
- Whose last words were "*I am just going outside and may be some time*"?
- In 2002, which was the last town in England to be awarded city status?
- What is the name of Beethoven's last symphony?

Round 6 – General Knowledge

- According to Adolf Hitler, who was the most dangerous woman in Europe?
- The red wine 'Pinotage' is most famously produced in which country?
- Who held the coveted Christmas Number 1 record spot most recently?
- What is the international vehicle code for Switzerland?
- A composer famous for his film scores died in 2011. Who was he?
- Microsoft introduced a new search engine in 2009. What was it called?
- What army re-entered Moscow in 1991, 68 years after having been expelled?
- What was the date of Prince William's wedding?
- Which part of Australia was most affected by cyclone Yasi in February 2011?

10. Which three brothers played together at Wembley in 1998?

Answers

Round 1 – Formerly Known As(places)

1. Ethiopia
2. Istanbul (1920s)
3. Burkina Faso (1984)
4. Taiwan
5. New York City (1665)
6. Malawi (1964)
7. Sri Lanka (1972)
8. Volgograd (1961)
9. Chennai (1996)
1. Vanuatu (1980)

Round 2 – Main Claim to Fame

1. The only horse to win the Grand National 3 times ('73, '74 & '77)
2. The 1st person to sail *solo non-stop* around the world 1968/69
3. His guides to Lakeland hill / fell walks
4. 1st manned ascent in hot air balloon in public – 1783

5. Michael Marks (M&S) – Leeds 1884
6. Achieved 5 Gold Medals in successive Olympics
7. First human into space (1961)
8. His railway timetable guides (1st produced 1839)
9. Developed the Rocket – 1st steam locomotive
10. 1st to lead successful expedition to the South Pole

Round 3 – The Answer Starts with Q

1. Quito
2. Quadragesima
3. Quince
4. Professor Quatermass (*BBC TV*)
5. Mary Quant
6. Quicksilver
7. Marquis of Queensberry
8. Quidditch
9. Quasimodo
10. Quetzal

Round 4 – Multiple Choice

1. A fish
2. George
3. D'Artagnan
4. Leicester
5. Brazil
6. 15 minutes
7. Wiltshire
8. Southend (*1.3 miles*)
9. Humphrey Bogart (*1957*)
10. Scirocco

Round 5 – Blue Connections

1. A white square
2. Appalachians
3. Derbyshire
4. Gainsborough
5. Bluebird (K7)
6. Blues & Royals
7. Peter Sellers
8. Serge de Nimes, France
9. Jacob's Ladder (polemonium)
10. Blue Lagoon

Round 1 – General Knowledge

1. Windsor Castle
2. Right angled
3. Clocks were set half an hour fast 1901-36
4. Bath (1987)
5. £26.25
6. Calf or git
7. Highclere Castle
8. Forty
9. Antony Gormley
10. Twice cooked

Round 2 – General Knowledge

1. River Shannon, Eire
2. Savannah Phillips
3. Sasquatch or BigFoot
4. Duke of Wellington
(wellingtonia / Wellington N.Z. / boot / beef Wellington)
5. Robert Walpole (*21 years 1721-42*)
6. Fritillary (*Cabbage accepted, albeit v. reluctantly!*)
7. William Spooner
8. Surrey
9. Duke of Windsor
10. Fletcher

Round 3 – General Knowledge

1. Lutine Bell
2. Harpo Marx
3. Swindon
4. The Bill & Last of the Summer Wine
5. Khartoum
6. Four (*webbed*)
7. Colin Firth
8. Spinach
9. Roses
10. Twickenham Rugby Stadium (*1907*)

Round 4 – General Knowledge

1. The Old Vicarage, Grantchester
2. Universal Serial Bus
3. A duck
4. A she-wolf
5. Llantrissant, Rhondda
6. Olney (*since 1445*)
7. Collar bone
8. 33 (*Answer "All" disallowed!*)
9. Pat Butcher (*Pat Evans*)
10. Four – red, gold, blue & green

Round 5 – General Knowledge

1. Carnforth
2. 1024 (*2 to the power of 10*)
3. Matthew Arnold (*Thyrsis, 1865*)
4. OPHTHALMOLOGY
5. Black
6. Sapphire
7. Crossword puzzles
8. Edward the Confessor (*c. 1004*)
9. Black peppercorns
10. Four

Round 6 – Lasts

1. Tunbridge Wells (1909)
2. Hawaii (August 1959)
3. Queen Anne (1702-14)
4. The South Downs (March 2010)
5. James Fenimore Cooper (1826)
6. Leonardo da Vinci
7. Muttiah Muralitharan (22 July 2011)
8. Captain Lawrence Oates (Antartica 1912)
9. Preston
10. The Choral Symphony (No. 9)

Round 6 – General Knowledge

1. Queen Elizabeth (*later the Queen Mother*)
2. South Africa
3. The Military Wives (*Gareth Malone*)
4. CH
5. John Barry
6. Bing
7. The Salvation Army
8. 29th April 2011
9. Queensland
10. The Bee Gees (*Gibb brothers*)