

## Round 1 – Quizmaster’s Choice – ‘The Day the Music died’

As the title suggests, this round gives me the chance to put some unusual questions to you. This month I’ve chosen as the theme ‘The Day the Music died’ in honour of Buddy Holly who tragically died in a plane crash on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1959. Enjoy the challenge .....

- 1 Along with Buddy Holly and Ritchie Valens, which other famous singer died on the same flight the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1959?
- 2 What was Buddy Holly’s real first name?
- 3 How old was Buddy Holly when he died, was he 22, 25 or 28 years old?
- 4 ‘The day the music died’ is part of the lyrics of Don McLean’s famous 1971 song, *American Pie*. Which other famous artist also had a hit with the song in the early 2000s?
- 5 Staying with lyrics of the song *American Pie*, which three ‘men’ that the singer ‘admired most caught the last train for the coast, the day the music died’?
- 6 Which well-known film, starring David Essex and Adam Faith, took its title from a 1957 Buddy Holly hit record?
- 7 In which 1994 film were the characters portrayed by John Travolta and Uma Thurman served in a themed restaurant named Jack Rabbit Slims by a waiter dressed as Buddy Holly?
- 8 In which town in Texas was Buddy Holly born?

## Round 2 – Letter Link

This round consists of 8 general knowledge questions where the last letter of the answer to question 1 will be the same as the first letter of the answer to question 2, and the final letter of the answer to question 2 will be the same as the first letter of the answer to question 3 and so on so forth down the 8 questions. When you get to question 8, the final letter of that answer will be the same as the first letter to the answer to question 1, thus completing the link.

- 1 Which football manager was knighted in 1968? (First name and surname required but exclude the word “Sir” from your answer)
- 2 Which national park is located in the Sierra Nevada mountains in California, USA?
- 3 In which country is the Aswan Dam situated?
- 4 Who was the lead singer with the group Dawn on the hit *Tie a yellow ribbon round the old oak tree*? (first name & surname required)
- 5 What is the chief ingredient of *sauce lyonnaise*? (answer in plural)
- 6 By what name is Sofia Scicolone (born in Rome in 1934) better known to us? (First name & surname required)
- 7 What was introduced into state schools in England and Wales in 1989?
- 8 Which noun describes an impelling force or strength?

### Round 3 – Sum total

In this round all the answers are numbers and the 'sum total' of your 8 answers should be 2,041

- 1      How many edges has a cube?
- 2      How many legs does a shrimp have, is it 6, 8 or 10?
- 3      In which year did Red Rum win the Grand National for the first time, was it 1973, 1974 or 1975?
- 4      How many bits are there in a byte?
- 5      Which number motorway runs from Cambridge to London?
- 6      How many Victoria Crosses were awarded after the Battle of Rorke's Drift in 1879, was it 9, 10 or 11?
- 7      Which number shirt did Diego Maradona wear for Argentina?
- 8      Fore-runners of the modern day Trade Union movement, how many 'Tolpuddle Martyrs' were there; 2, 4 or 6?

## Round 4 – Connection

This round consists of 7 general knowledge questions where the answers all have a common connection. For question 8 you simply have to work out what the connection is between the previous 7 answers. All your answers should obviously fit the connection; if you find yourself looking at an answer that doesn't obviously fit the connection then it's either very obscure or, more likely, you've got the wrong answer and you'll need a bit of a re-think!

- 1 On which island of New York would you find the boroughs of Queens and Brooklyn, together with John F.Kennedy airport?
- 2 In which sport/pastime is the period from 16th March to the 15th June generally regarded as "the closed" season?
- 3 In the context of this connection, which word can go before guard, line and sentence?
- 4 What is the surname of the singer had solo hit albums entitled *Another time*, *Another place*, *Taxi* and *These foolish things*?
- 5 Which somewhat derogatory term is often used to describe a small politically unstable country which remains largely dependent on foreign aid?
- 6 The 3rd Duke of Bridgwater, who lived between 1736 - 1803, was a pioneer of which type of transport system in this country?
- 7 Which word do the Scots use for a bridge?
- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers?