

Round 1 – Quizmaster’s Choice – ‘All Fools’ Day’

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 “All Fools’ Day”, which is particularly relevant to me as your Quizmaster as I was born on the 1st April. Enjoy the challenge.....

- 1 Which former Radio 2 DJ, who now presents the morning show on Virgin radio, and has often courted controversy during his career on both radio & TV, was born on the 1st April 1966?
CHRIS EVANS
- 2 On the 1st April 1976, which company was founded by Steve Wozniak & Steve Jobs in the garage of Jobs’ parents house in Cupertino, California?
APPLE COMPUTER
- 3 On the 1st April 1891, a famous American company was founded by the man whose name the company still bears. Initially selling soap and baking powder, the company eventually became famous for the product which it originally gave away with each can of baking powder and over the years it has developed various flavours of this product which are enjoyed worldwide today. In 1974 this famous product became the first ever to be barcoded. Which company are we talking about?
WRIGLEYS (their chewing gum being the first barcoded product)
- 4 On the 1st April 1924, who was jailed for 5 years for his part in the Munich ‘Beer Hall Putsch’ and during his time in prison wrote a famous book? (first name & surname required)
ADOLF HITLER
- 5 Viewed with scepticism because of the date of its launch, 1st April 2004, which product did Google introduce to its customers on that date?
GMAIL
- 6 On the 1st April 2002, which European Country became the first Country in the world to legalise euthanasia?
NETHERLANDS (Holland)
- 7 Born on the 1st April 1957 in Kent, which former England cricket captain now turned commentator was considered to have been one of the most stylish left-handed batsman in the history of the game, bringing him over 8,200 Test match runs between 1978 and 1992? (first name & surname required)
DAVID GOWER
- 8 And finally, so how old will your Quizmaster be when he celebrates his birthday on the 1st April this year? For those of you that don’t know me personally, the exact date of my Birthday has already been featured in this round, you just need to guess which date? (Please note you can rule out the dates in questions 3 & 4 !!)
66 years old – same Birthday as David Gower

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 What is the official language of Brazil?
PORTUGUESE

- 2 What was the first name of the French impressionist painter Degas who made numerous paintings of both ballet dancers and horse racing?
EDGAR

- 3 Which English born actor has starred in *The English Patient*, *The Constant Gardener* and *The Reader*? (first name & surname required)
RALPH FIENNES

- 4 Patented in 1836, what was the first name and surname of the man who invented the revolver?
SAMUEL COLT

- 5 On a traditional Monopoly board, which property makes up a set with The Strand and Fleet Street?
TRAFALGAR SQUARE

- 6 Which TV programme used to feature Kevin Ashman, Daphne Fowler, Chris Hughes, Judith Keppel and C J de Mooi?
EGGHEADS

- 7 Which English football league team are nicknamed 'The Black Cats'?
SUNDERLAND

- 8 Named after its inventor, what name is given to the safety device used by coalminers to detect the presence of poisonous and potentially harmful gas?
DAVY-LAMP

Round 3 – Sum total

In this round all the answers are numbers and the 'sum total' of your 8 answers should be 422

- 1 In the NATO phonetic alphabet, how many of the code names are dances?
2 (Foxtrot & Tango)
- 2 How many faces does an icosahedron have, is it 12, 16 or 20?
20
- 3 In Monopoly, how much do you receive for passing GO?
£200
- 4 Which was the first decimal coin issued in Britain?
50p
- 5 Which paper size is 210 x 297mm?
A4
- 6 Harry Kane recently surpassed Wayne Rooney's record to become England's top goal scoring international player. What number international career goal did Harry score against Italy to achieve this new record?
His 54th
- 7 In the UK, a driving licence is issued automatically until the driver reaches what age?
70 years old
- 8 How many yards are there in a chain?
22 yards

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!

You will need to pair up some of your answers....

- 1 What was the name of the 9th century King of East Anglia who, following his defeat by the Danes in 870AD, was killed because of his Christian beliefs and, after his canonization, buried in Suffolk where his shrine remains to this day?
EDMUND – buried at Bury St Edmunds

- 2 What type of award is given annually by the League of New York Theatres to dramatists, performers and technicians in Broadway plays?
TONY

- 3 The high fibre diet that was all the rage in the early 1980s was known as the *F what?*
PLAN

- 4 By what other name do we know the mountain ash tree?
ROWAN

- 5 Which word meaning artful and crafty is often used in association with a fox?
CUNNING

- 6 What is the first name of the most famous character created by the 18th century novelist Daniel Defoe?
ROBINSON

- 7 What was the surname of the Manchester United manager between 1981 and 1986 who was responsible for signing Bryan Robson, under whose captaincy they won the FA Cup in both 1983 and 1985?
ATKINSON

- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers?
BLACKADDER (Edmund Blackadder, played by Rowan Atkinson often had a cunning plan which he would share with Baldrick, played by Tony Robinson)