

Round 1 – Quizmaster’s Choice – ‘Names’

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 “names” so enjoy the challenge.....

- 1 How was the character 'Timothy Underwood', played by Christopher Biggins, better known in the BBC TV sitcom "Porridge"?
LUKEWARM
- 2 In the comedy series *Last of the Summer Wine* what was the character surname of Compo, was it Crompton, Norton or Simmonite?
SIMMONITE
- 3 What is the real first name of Noddy Holder, the former lead singer of the band Slade, is it Gary, Phillip or Neville?
NEVILLE
- 4 Which of The Beatles was christened James?
PAUL McCARTNEY
- 5 In the novel 'Lady Chatterley's Lover', what is Lady Chatterley's first name?
CONSTANCE
- 6 Widely hailed as the worst writer of poetry in the English language, which Scottish poet had the middle name Topaz?
WILLIAM McGONAGAL
- 7 With which song did Sir Paul McCartney end the 2005 Live8 concert in Hyde Park, London?
HEY JUDE
- 8 By what name was Albert De Salvo better known?
THE BOSTON STRANGLER

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 In January 1943 America's Pentagon was completed. In which state is the complex?
VIRGINIA
- 2 Which city hosted the Centennial Olympic Games?
ATLANTA (1996)
- 3 What was the surname of the 18th century father and son who were considered to be amongst the finest architects of their day, the son also gaining a reputation as a fine furniture designer
ADAM (father William, son Robert)
- 4 In the song *My Girl* which month is mentioned by name?
MAY
- 5 In 1953, Whitehorse took over from Dawson as the capital of which Canadian territory?
YUKON
- 6 Which is Italy's third most populated city after Rome and Milan?
NAPLES
- 7 What name is given to a thin straight surgical knife used in dissection and surgery?
SCALPEL
- 8 What is the unit of currency in Bulgaria?
LEV

Round 3 – Sum total

In this round all the answers are numbers and the 'sum total' of your 8 answers should be 185

- 1 How many periods of play are there in a game of American football?
4
- 2 What is the highest number on a standard European roulette wheel?
36
- 3 On which number motorway can Michael Wood, Strensham and Cullompton services all be found?
M5
- 4 What number in line to the throne is Prince Edward and Sophie's young son James, who was born on the 17th December 2007?
15th
- 5 How many pounds are there in a hundredweight?
112 lbs
- 6 How many 'A's are there in the spelling of the World's largest fast food restaurant chain?
1 (McDonald's, as if you couldn't guess)
- 7 How many different characters did Alec Guinness play in the film *Kind Hearts & Coronets*?
8
- 8 How many people are there on a curling team?
4

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 What is the surname of the English motor racing driver who, despite being runner-up on 4 occasions, in 1955, 1956, 1957 & 1958, never actually won the World motor racing championship?
(STIRLING) MOSS
- 2 Again, what is the surname of the Apollo 11 astronaut who stayed in the command module when his colleagues Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped onto the surface of the moon for the first time in July 1969?
(MICHAEL) COLLINS
- 3 In the context of this connection, which word can go before boy, man, and friend?
BEST
- 4 What was the surname of the Secretary of State for Education who introduced teacher training days in the latter part of the 1980s?
BAKER (AS IN BAKER DAYS)
- 5 On the surface of where have 6 golf balls lay undisturbed since the early 1970s?
MOON
- 6 What was the surname of the man who presented the TV programme *Police Five* for many years?
(SHAW) TAYLOR
- 7 The power usage and brightness of light bulbs is determined by the rating stated on them, which is quoted in which units of measurement?
WATTS
- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers?
ALL SURNAMES OF DRUMMERS with bands (Jon Moss of Culture Club, Phil Collins of Genesis, Pete Best originally with The Beatles, Ginger Baker with Cream, Keith Moon of The Who, both Roger Taylor of Queen & Roger Taylor of Duran Duran and finally Charlie Watts of the Rolling Stones)