

Round 1 – Quizmaster's Choice – Hallowe'en

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 "hallowe'en" so grab your broomsticks & pumpkins and enjoy the challenge.....

- 1 What is the collective noun for a group of witches?
A coven
- 2 Which band had a number one hit in 1981 with 'Ghost Town'?
The Specials
- 3 What are the first twelve words of Shakespeare's 'Macbeth', spoken by the first witch?
When shall we three meet again, in thunder, lightning or in rain?
- 4 According to the Charlie Daniels Band who 'Went Down To Georgia',?
The Devil
- 5 On which Rolling Stones album would you find the track 'Sympathy for the Devil'?
Beggars Banquet
- 6 In which of Shakespeare's plays does the sorcerer 'Prospero' appear?
The Tempest
- 7 Who painted the famous picture 'The Scream'?
Edvard Munch
- 8 "If it's something weird, and it don't look good, who ya gonna call?" are lyrics from which well-known 1984 hit single?
***Ghostbusters* by Ray Parker Jr.**

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 which US state is Las Vegas?
NEVADA
- 2 Which abbreviation denotes unknown authorship?
ANON
- 3 Where do Novacastrians live?
NEWCASTLE (UPON TYNE)
- 4 Who was known as “The Desert Fox”? (first name and surname required)
ERWIN ROMMEL the WWII German desert army commander
- 5 Who traditionally sits on the woolsack at Westminster?
LORD CHANCELLOR
- 6 Which famous club won the first five European Cup finals?
REAL MADRID
- 7 Which instrumental piece from the film *Deliverance* became a hit?
DUELLING BANJOS
- 8 Which is the longest river in the British Isles?
SHANNON – In Ireland

Round 3 – Sum total

In this round all the answers are numbers and the 'sum total' of your 8 answers should be 3,826

- 1 Over what distance is the Steeplechase run in Athletics at the Olympics?
3000 METRES
- 2 If a snooker player potted a red, followed by black, followed by another red and then a pink and finally a red, what would the total "break" be?
16
- 3 How many golden stars feature on the flag of the European Union?
12
- 4 How many differently coloured sets of residential properties are there in a traditional game of Monopoly?
8 – so clockwise from 'GO' you've got brown, light blue, cerise/pink, orange, red, yellow, green and finally dark blue
- 5 The internal angles of a triangle will always total how many degrees?
180°
- 6 How many degrees does each numbered section of a dartboard measure?
18° (20 sections and $360^\circ \div 20 = 18^\circ$)
- 7 DLXVII is what number in Roman numerals?
567
- 8 In slang terms, how much money is a 'pony'?
£25

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 was the name of the founder of the somewhat controversial diet regime that was all the rage a few years ago that involved eating high quantities of fibrous foods?
ATKINS
- 2 What is defined as being 'a substance that has neither independent shape nor volume but which expands infinitely to fill any container into which it is introduced'?
GAS
- 3 What name is given to the 250-mile-long peninsular which projects into the North, and comprises mostly the mainland of Denmark with the southern portion being part of Germany?
JUTLAND
- 4 The lowest point on the earth's surface is located in the NW Pacific Ocean. This deepest part of the sea floor is known as the Mariana *what*?
TRENCH
- 5 According to the advertising slogan from a few years ago for a certain brand of whiskey what did you have to ask for in order 'not to be vague'?
HAIG
- 6 Which Palace in France is famous for its Hall of Mirrors?
VERSAILLES
- 7 From which flower is opium made?
POPPY
- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers?
WORLD WAR I – Tommy Atkins was the slang name for a common soldier in the British Army, poison gas was used for the first time, Jutland was the only major sea battle of WW1 and the last four answers are, hopefully, well-known.