

Round 1 – Quizmaster’s Choice – ‘Up the smoke’

As the title suggests, this round gives me the chance to put some unusual questions to you. This month, in honour of St George’s Day, the Patron Saint of England, on the 23rd April, I’ve chosen questions relating to our capital city, often referred to as ‘the smoke’.....

- 1 Who was the member of Parliament for the North London constituency of Finchley for most of the 1970's & 1980's?
- 2 Which famous monument, designed by John Nash, stands at the entrance to Hyde Park?
- 3 What is the address of the Government Chief Whip?
- 4 What is the name of the London home of the Archbishop of Canterbury?
- 5 Whereabouts does the Ceremony of the Keys take place every night between 9.30pm and 10pm?
- 6 Which building now stands on the former site of Newgate prison?
- 7 Which part of London does the Sovereign have to ask permission to enter every time he or she wishes to do so?
- 8 Which London football team, who started out as Thames Ironworks, are still known as "The Irons" by their supporters, even though it is not their official nickname?

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?
- 2 What name is given to the fruit of an oak tree?
- 3 When Geordies ask for a 'pint of dog' which drink are they requesting?
- 4 What name is given to young eels? (note answer in plural)
- 5 Which world heritage site is a famous Wiltshire landmark?
- 6 Which well-known Microsoft programme is used for the production of spreadsheets?
- 7 Which famous long running musical is based on an original story written by Victor Hugo?
- 8 What nationality is the tennis player Novak Djokovic?

Round 3 – Sum total

In this round all the answers are numbers and the 'sum total' of your 8 answers should be 87

- 1 How many players in a netball team?
- 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 of this "break" be?
- 3 How many sides does a dodecagon have?
- 4 In computing, how bits are there in a byte, is it; 8, 16 or 32?
- 5 How many teams take part in the finals of the Football World Cup tournament these days?
- 6 How many General elections did Tony Blair win as Leader of the Labour Party?
- 7 In how many films did Pierce Brosnan play James Bond, was it 4, 5 or 6 times?
- 8 According to the Bible, how many stones did David pick up before he faced Goliath?

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 Who was the Roman equivalent of Aphrodite, the Greek Goddess of Beauty & Love?
- 2 What was the name of the cabaret singer character played by Marlene Dietrich in the 1930 film *The Blue Angel*?
- 3 What was the full christian name of Mrs Desi Arnaz who herself was a US comedy actress and who died in 1979 having starred in three sitcoms series, all of which bore a shortened version of her christian name?
- 4 In which small village in Bedfordshire is The Lodge, the home of the RSPB?
- 5 What was the middle name of Miss Josephine Devlin who, in 1969, became the youngest ever woman MP when she was elected to represent mid Ulster at the age of just under 22 years old?
- 6 What is the christian name of the famous American tennis player born Miss Moffitt in 1943 who went on to win 20 Wimbledon titles in all?
- 7 In the Bible who suggested that Samson's hair should be cut off in order to reduce his strength?
- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers?