



# Macclesfield Quiz League

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## 2017–18 Season: Cup Round 2 – 21 November 2017

Questions set by the **Harrington B** and **Plough Horntails**.

1	Who replaced Michael Fallon as UK Secretary of State for Defence on Nov 1st 2017?
	Gavin <b>Williamson</b>
2	Accusations of inappropriate sexual behaviour (knee-touching) were made against Michael Fallon by which journalist?
	Julia <b>Hartley-Brewer</b>
3	Windhoek is the capital of which country?
	<b>Namibia</b>
4	Name the British poet, playwright and novelist, born in Huddersfield in 1963 and currently Professor of Poetry at both Trinity College Oxford and the University of Sheffield.
	Simon <b>Armitage</b>
5	Which singer won Best British Male in the Brit Awards for the third time in 2009?
	Paul <b>Weller</b>
6	Reba McEntire was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in which year. (Accept 2010-2012)
	<b>2011</b>
7	In which US city was the TV show <i>Ally McBeal</i> set?
	<b>Boston</b>
8	Who is currently Queen of Denmark?
	<b>Margrethe</b>
9	The French President is, by virtue of the office, also the Co-Prince of which European Principality?
	<b>Andorra</b>
10	Why was Rhian Brewster in the news in Oct 2017?
	He's the England and Liverpool football striker who won the <b>Golden Boot in the under-17 World Cup</b> . England beat Spain in the final 5-2.
11	Author Sarah Perry's second novel is, according to the Guardian Review, a gothic Victorian tale in which a village in SE England is "terrorised by a winged leviathan". What is the title of the novel?
	<b>The Essex Serpent</b>
12	According to the Women's Tennis Association Rankings on Sunday Nov 5th 2017 who is the world No. 1?
	Simona <b>Halep</b> (of Romania)
13	Mentioned in the Bible, Nineveh was the capital city of which ancient civilisation?
	<b>Assyrian</b>
14	Yale University is located in which US state?
	<b>Connecticut</b>
15	The first million pound transfer fee footballer in the UK was who?
	Trevor <b>Francis</b> (Birmingham City to Nottingham Forest 1979)



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16	Angel Falls in Venezuela are the world's highest falls. Tugela Falls are the second highest. In which country can the Tugela Falls be found?
	<b>South Africa</b>
17	Bizet's opera <i>The Pearl Fishers</i> is set in which country?
	<b>Sri Lanka</b>
18	Which king of England was described as "The wisest fool in Christendom"?
	<b>James The First</b>
19	Which social networking website was founded in 1999 by Steve and Julia Pankhurst?
	<b>Friends Reunited</b>
20	Of which Commonwealth country was Harry Atkinson four times Prime Minister?
	<b>New Zealand</b>
21	What is the more common name of the flower referred to in Shakespeare's time as a Gillyflower?
	<b>Carnation</b>
22	In Morse code, which letter is represented by four dots?
	<b>H</b>
23	What colour ink was traditionally used by Roman emperors to sign important documents?
	<b>Purple-Red</b> (accept either colour) "the Sacrum Encaustum"
24	A decennial event occurs every how many years?
	<b>Ten</b>
25	Stinking Bishop is a variety of which fruit?
	A Moorcroft <b>Pear</b> (accept Pear)
26	In which Agatha Christie novel does Hercule Poirot commit murder?
	<b>Curtain: Poirot's Last Case</b> (accept <b>Curtain</b> ) also the last novel she wrote whilst alive, not posthumously.
27	A group of which birds is known as an Unkindness?
	<b>Ravens</b>
28	Janet Weiss, Brad Majors and Magenta are all characters from which 1975 musical film?
	<b>The Rocky Horror Picture Show</b>
29	In cooking, Rindfleisch is German for which type of meat?
	<b>Beef</b> (literal translation is cattle meat)
30	Terry the Terrier is the mascot of which Premier League football club?
	<b>Huddersfield Town FC</b>
31	Which US state is known as the Bay State?
	<b>Massachusetts</b> (officially the Commonwealth of Massachusetts)
32	In which year was Nelson Mandela released from prison in South Africa?
	February 11th <b>1990</b> (after 27 years, initially on Robben Island, and later in Pollsmoor Prison and Victor Verster Prison)
33	What UK government position is currently held by Angela Leadsom?
	<b>Leader of the House of Commons</b>



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34	Priti Patel has recently resigned (Nov 9 <sup>th</sup> 2017) following her contacting the Israeli Government whilst on holiday. What position did she hold in UK Government?
	<b>Secretary of State for International Development</b>
35	In which county are the villages of Woodingdean, Pangdean and Saltdean?
	<b>East Sussex</b>
36	In which county are the villages of Widdrington, Longframlington and Ellington ?
	<b>Northumberland</b>
37	Who is currently the manager of Premiership football team Leicester City?
	Claude <b>Puel</b>
38	As of November 7th 2017, who is the manager of Premiership football team Watford?
	Marco <b>Silva</b>
39	Manhattan in New York USA lies between two rivers. One is the Hudson, what's the name of the other?
	<b>East River</b>
40	Two rivers meet in Washington DC USA. One is the Anacostia, what's the name of the other?
	<b>Potomac</b>
41	What's the name of the current President of Spain?
	<b>Mariano Rajoy (Brey)</b> ... accept the first 2 words
42	From 2016, what was job title in Spanish politics of Carles Puidgemont?
	<b>President of the Government of Catalonia</b>
43	Which radio & TV comedy performer used the catchphrase 'I think the answer lies in the soil'?
	Kenneth <b>Williams</b> (as rambling Arthur Fallowfield in Round The Horne)
44	In the 1950s radio comedy catchphrase 'Oh! Ron.... Yes Eth' where two star-struck lovers were talking, Dick Bentley played the male part. Who played the female part?
	June <b>Whitfield</b>
45	What's the name of the current Vice President of the USA?
	Mike <b>Pence</b>
46	Michael Fallon was recently forced to resign as a minister of defence in UK government. Which constituency does he represent?
	<b>Sevenoaks</b>
47	The visit of which king gave Bognor its suffix of Regis?
	<b>George V</b>
48	Who directed the films <i>The Shawshank Redemption</i> and <i>The Green Mile</i> ?
	Frank <b>Darabont</b>
49	In which country was the first duty free shop opened?
	<b>Ireland (Shannon airport 1947)</b>
50	What name did Captain Cook give to the islands now known as Hawaii?
	<b>Sandwich Islands</b>
51	Whose autobiography is titled <i>The Story of My Experiments With Truth</i> ?
	<b>Gandhi</b>



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52	What comes next in the sequence Domain, Kingdom, Phylum, Class?
	<b>Order</b> (followed by Family, Genus and Species in the Taxonomic Rank)
53	What is the minimum age to donate blood in the UK?
	<b>17</b>
54	How many finger holes are there on a standard penny whistle??
	<b>6</b>
55	Which gas is the main constituent of the atmosphere of Venus?
	<b>Carbon dioxide</b> (96.5%)
56	By population, which is the smallest city in Scotland?
	<b>Stirling</b>
57	Which loveable character voiced by Ben Wishaw had his second major film released on Friday 10th November?
	<b>Paddington</b>
58	Who won <i>Strictly Come Dancing</i> in 2016?
	Ore <b>Oduba</b>
59	Which world famous art gallery has just opened its first overseas branch in Abu Dhabi?
	<b>The Louvre</b>
60	The latest film in the Thor series, <i>Ragnarok</i> , was released in October. Who plays Thor?
	Chris <b>Hemsworth</b>
61	Whose first solo single released in April 2017 was called <i>Sign of the Times</i> ?
	Harry <b>Styles</b>
62	Which is the only UK city on an island?
	<b>Portsmouth</b>
63	Hollywood star Audrey Hepburn was born in which European country?
	<b>Belgium</b>
64	Who won this year men's singles final at Wimbledon?
	Roger <b>Federer</b>
65	Which children's toy is the most sought after item on eBay this year?
	<b>Fidget Spinner</b>
66	Which country other than the Vatican city is completely landlocked by Italy?
	<b>San Marino</b>
67	Big Ben's tower was known as the Clock Tower until 2012. What is it called now?
	<b>The Elizabeth Tower</b>
68	Who wrote <i>The Tenant of Wildfell Hall</i> ?
	<b>Anne Bronte (both names required)</b>
69	In which London Street is the Bank of England?
	<b>Threadneedle Street</b>
70	What is the name of the short tail of a rabbit, deer or hare?
	<b>Scut</b>



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71	The theory part of the current UK driving test has two parts: one is multiple choice questions, what is the other?
	<b>Hazard Perception</b>
72	Where in Britain is the largest Mesolithic stone circle in the world?
	<b>Avebury</b>
73	According to website cheese.com, which cheese accounts for over half the entire world consumption?
	<b>Gouda</b>
74	Which Ancient Egyptian god is depicted as a human with a Falcon's head?
	<b>Horus</b>
75	In poker what name is given to a hand with five cards all of the same suit?
	<b>Flush</b>
76	Which US president had "The Buck Stops Here" on his desk?
	<b>Truman</b>
77	Name the longest-running luxury rail service between Pretoria and Cape Town, first running in the 1920s?
	<b>The Blue Train</b>
78	On which circuit is the Belgian Formula One grand prix held?
	<b>Spa-Francorchamps (accept Spa)</b>
79	Name the Colombian drug lord shot dead in 1993 associated with the Medellin Cartel?
	Pablo <b>Escobar</b>
80	What Christian festival is celebrated on November 1st?
	<b>All Saints Day</b>
81	What is the capital of the Canadian province of Saskatchewan?
	<b>Regina</b>
82	What was the capital of India until 1912?
	<b>Calcutta</b>
83	The Peasant's Revolt of 1381 occurred in the reign of which monarch?
	<b>Richard II</b>
84	Who ferried the souls of the dead over the River Styx?
	<b>Charon</b>
85	Who killed Hector in the Trojan War?
	<b>Achilles</b>
86	What is ichthyology?
	<b>The study of fish</b>
87	What's the more formal name for vitamin C?
	<b>Ascorbic acid</b>
88	What is Jasper Carrot's real name?
	Robert <b>Davies</b>
89	Initially a pop star and then TV actor, how is Terry Nelhams better known?
	Adam <b>Faith</b>



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90	By what name are the New Zealand Women's Rugby Union team known?
	<b>The Silver Ferns</b>
91	Lewis Hamilton won his 4 <sup>th</sup> World Championship at the Mexico Grand Prix, but he didn't win the race. Who did?
	Max <b>Verstappen</b>
92	How many members sit on the Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee?
	<b>9</b>
93	Who was the first celebrity to leave 2017's Strictly Come Dancing competition?
	Chizzy <b>Akudolu</b>
94	Who, as at 12 <sup>th</sup> November, is the Chief Executive Officer of Tesco?
	Dave <b>Lewis</b>
95	Whose Christmas TV commercials feature a carrot called Kevin?
	<b>Aldi</b>
96	Whose Christmas TV commercials feature a Peruvian bear?
	<b>Marks &amp; Spencer</b>
97	A Marron Glace is a sugared what?
	<b>Chestnut</b>
98	What's the name given to the Lord Chancellor's seat in the House of Lords?
	<b>Woolsack</b>
99	How is the term 'lateral epicondylitis' more commonly known?
	<b>Tennis elbow</b>
100	Name the French brothers who were first to fly in a hot air balloon,
	<b>Montgolfier</b>
101	What is the title given to the second most senior judge in England and Wales after the Lord Chief Justice?
	<b>Master of the Rolls</b>
102	What's the name of the youngest member of the Simpsons?
	<b>Maggie</b>
103	Which US actor and film maker was awarded a Fellowship at this year's BAFTA Awards?
	Mel <b>Brooks</b>
104	Pilsner beer is named after a city in which country?
	<b>Czech Republic (Pilsen)</b>
105	What's the real name of the model Twiggy?
	Lesley <b>Hornby</b>
106	Rock & roll legend 'Fats' Domino died in October – what was his real first name?
	<b>Antoine</b>
107	Name the law and corporate services firm at the centre of the Paradise Papers tax evasion scandal.
	<b>Appleby</b>



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108	What's the name of Saudi Arabia's national oil firm planning to float in London and/or New York?
	<b>Aramco</b>
109	On which river does Rochdale stand?
	The <b>Roch</b>
110	Name either of the two rivers flowing through York.
	The <b>Ouse</b> and the <b>Foss</b>
111	Which footballer, well-known in the North-West, was sent off earlier this month before the match had even begun after he attacked one of his own team's fans?
	Patrice <b>Evra</b>
112	What was the name of Prince's own record label, set up in 1985?
	<b>Paisley Park</b>
113	Who is the lead singer of the Stereophonics?
	Kelly <b>Jones</b>
114	How many keys has a full size piano keyboard?
	<b>88</b>
115	In a drum kit, what is the pedal-operated stand with a pair of cymbals called?
	The <b>hi-hat</b>
116	Who contributed music to the 1980s films <i>Highlander</i> and <i>Flash Gordon</i> ?
	<b>Queen</b>
117	Which bird is famously used by fisherman in China's Guangxi province to help bring in their catch?
	<b>Cormorant</b>
118	Which US state suffered a 9.2 magnitude earthquake in 1964, devastating one of its largest cities?
	<b>Alaska</b>
119	Who became the first woman to win a Best Director Oscar in 2010?
	Kathryn <b>Bigelow</b> (for <i>The Hurt Locker</i> )
120	Who won the 2017 Open Golf Championship at Royal Birkdale?
	Jordan <b>Spieth</b>



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## Supplementaries:

1	Who was Prime Minister when we went decimal?
	Ted <b>Heath (1971)</b>
2	Les Gray was the frontman for which 1970's pop group?
	<b>Mud</b>
3	In financial circles, who is known as "The Sage of Omaha"?
	Warren <b>Buffet</b>
4	What is the length of a full size snooker table?
	<b>12 feet</b>
5	Who was the mother of King James 1 of England?
	<b>Mary Queen of Scots</b>
6	Of which country are the Faroe Islands a dependency?
	<b>Denmark</b>

## Tie Break

	According to the Society of Motor Manufacturers & Traders, how many new cars were registered in 2016?
	<b>2,692,786</b>