



Macclesfield Quiz League

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2017–18 Season: Cup and Plate Semi-Finals – 20 February 2018

Set by the **Chester Road Tavern** and the **Church House Bollington**.

1	Theresa May is MP for which constituency? Maidenhead
2	What was the name of the rocket that launched a car into space this month? Falcon Heavy
3	Which horse won the 2017 Epsom Derby? Wings of Eagles
4	Which bird has the Latin name <i>Pica pica</i> ? Magpie
5	What is the capital of Madagascar? Antananarivo
6	The TV series <i>Game of Thrones</i> was adapted from a series of fantasy novels written by which author? George R. R. Martin
7	Bloody butcher, wickhams fancy, hares ear and tups indispensable are types of what? Fishing flies
8	Who is the current MP for Congleton? Fiona Bruce
9	Into which planet did the Cassini spacecraft crash in 2017? Saturn
10	Which horse won the 2017 Grand National? One for Arthur
11	What is the second book of the Lord of the Rings trilogy called? The Two Towers
12	Watford is situated in which county? Hertfordshire
13	In what year was the battle of the Nile? 1798
14	Which team won this year's Super Bowl? Philadelphia Eagles
15	In which novel is Becky Sharp the main character? Vanity Fair
16	Who wrote the novel <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> ? Margaret Atwood



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17	Who was the lead singer of The Fall, who died recently?
	Mark E. Smith
18	How many clubs are golfers allowed to carry?
	14
19	Which house plant has the Latin name <i>Ficus elastica</i> ?
	The rubber plant
20	Who presented the TV show <i>Zoo Quest</i> ?
	David Attenborough
21	In football, who do Barcelona play in the Barcelona Derby?
	Espanyol
22	Director Damien Chazelle and actress Emma Stone both won Oscars for which film?
	La La Land
23	Which city was the UK City of Culture for 2017?
	Hull
24	The new £1 coin was released in 2017. How many sides does it have?
	12
25	Who resigned as the leader of the Liberal Democrats following the 2017 General Election?
	Tim Farron
26	New Amsterdam was the original name of which city?
	New York
27	How many syllables make up a traditional haiku?
	17
28	The name of which animal is also a deadly sin?
	Sloth
29	What is the state capital of Nevada, USA?
	Carson City
30	What is the state capital of Tennessee, USA?
	Nashville
31	Which is the only mythological creature of the Chinese zodiac?
	Dragon
32	The film <i>Walk the Line</i> is primarily about which famous singer?
	Johnny Cash
33	What does the 'L' stand for in the acronym HTML?
	Language (HyperText Markup Language)
34	Who made a posthumous appearance alongside Justin Timberlake at this year's Superbowl half time show?
	Prince



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35	What is the name of the trophy awarded to the winner of the France v Italy six nations rugby union game?
	The (Guiseppe) Garibaldi Trophy
36	What is the name of the disgraced US gymnastics doctor recently jailed for child abuse?
	Larry Nassar
37	Name the current Prime Minister of New Zealand.
	Jacinda Ardern
38	Which film won best picture at the 2017 Academy Awards?
	Moonlight
39	Which rodent is the largest in the world?
	Capybara
40	The song <i>Rock Around The Clock</i> first appeared in which 1955 film?
	The Blackboard Jungle
41	In what year did Channel 5 begin broadcasting?
	1997
42	Who was the last King of Libya?
	King Idris
43	What caused the implementation of Operation Hope Not in 1965?
	The death of Winston Churchill
44	In which city was Barack Obama born?
	Honolulu
45	The largest stadium (by capacity) is in which country?
	North Korea (Rungrado 1st May Stadium, capacity: 114,000)
46	Who is currently the UK Secretary of State for Transport?
	Chris Grayling
47	In February 2018, which airport was shut following the discovery of an unexploded WWII bomb near a runway?
	London City Airport
48	Which explorer discovered the sea-route to India by rounding the Cape of Good Hope?
	Vasco da Gama
49	Which food item takes its name from the French for 'twice cooked'?
	Biscuit
50	Who wrote <i>Call of the Wild</i> and <i>White Fang</i> ?
	Jack London
51	What is the more common name for the illness varicella?
	Chicken pox
52	How many counters does each player have in a game of backgammon?
	15



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53	What is the name of the fictional seaside resort where the BBC's <i>Dad's Army</i> was set?
	Walmington on Sea (accept Walmington)
54	Which author wrote <i>Brave New World</i> ?
	Aldous Huxley
55	Who is the current Secretary of State for Education?
	Damian Hinds
56	Which famous event was held at Max Yasgur's farm in 1969?
	Woodstock
57	Which ship was the first to be attacked by a nuclear submarine?
	The General Belgrano (in the Falklands War)
58	What was the name of the snail in <i>The Magic Roundabout</i> ?
	Brian
59	Robert Downey Jr. played the title role in which 2008 superhero film?
	Ironman
60	Who was the first British golfer to win the US Masters golf tournament?
	Sandy Lyle

61	Which former Beirut hostage wrote the book <i>An Evil Cradling</i> ?
	Brian Keenan
62	Which racecourse is located at Sunbury-on-Thames?
	Kempton Park
63	In which country would you find the Pindus mountains?
	Greece
64	Which 19th Century work of literature is subtitled <i>A novel without a hero</i> ?
	Vanity Fair
65	Andean and Californian are the only two living species of which bird?
	Condor
66	Who are the current holders of rugby league's Challenge Cup?
	Hull FC (do not accept Hull Kingston Rovers)
67	Who is the current Director-General of the BBC?
	Tony Hall
68	Name either of the only two <i>Carry On</i> films whose original titles did not carry the prefix <i>Carry On ...</i>
	Follow that Camel or Don't Lose Your Head
69	Who voiced the character of Simba in the 1994 film <i>The Lion King</i> ?
	Matthew Broderick



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70	Which baroque painter (1571–1610) was a notorious brawler who, having been jailed several times, was forced to flee from Rome to Naples in 1606 after receiving a death sentence for murder?
	Caravaggio
71	Which American painter (1834–1903) spent much of his adolescence in Russia? On returning to the US, he entered the US Military Academy at West Point but was dismissed by Robert E Lee for persistent rule-breaking.
	James Macneill Whistler
72	Who was US secretary of state from 2001 to 2005? He succeeded Madeleine Albright and preceded Condoleezza Rice.
	Colin Powell
73	Who was mayor of New York between 2002 and 2013? He succeeded Rudy Giuliani and preceded Bill de Blasio.
	Michael Bloomberg
74	What kind of animal was Beatrix Potter's Samuel Whiskers?
	Rat
75	Which American novel has the alternative title <i>Life Among the Lowly</i> ?
	Uncle Tom's Cabin
76	Set in a fictitious LA suburb, which soap opera, which ran from 1979 to 1983, centred on four married couples living in a cul-de-sac called Seaview Circle?
	Knots Landing
77	What title is conferred by Israel on non-Jews who gave significant assistance to Jews during the holocaust – for example, Oskar Schindler?
	Righteous Amongst the Nations
78	Which sporting event takes place every April or May at the family seat of the Duke of Beaufort in Gloucestershire?
	Badminton Horse Trials
79	On a street called Westgate in which town will you find a giant metallic feather marking the spot reckoned to have been the exact centre of the medieval Sherwood Forest?
	Mansfield
80	Whom did Sid Vicious replace as bassist in the Sex Pistols in early 1977?
	Glenn Matlock
81	Who played the annoyingly irrepressible priest and youth group leader Father Noel Furlong in the TV series Father Ted?
	Graham Norton
82	Who was the subject of the 2015 Oscar-winning documentary <i>Citizenfour</i> ?
	Edward Snowden
83	Born in 1942 in Dublin, which doctor presented <i>In the Psychiatrist's Chair</i> on Radio 4 from 1982 to 2001?
	Anthony Clare



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84	He died in 1703 and is thought to have been called Eustache Dauger. How was he better known to history?
	The Man in the Iron Mask
85	Which profession is a translation of the Ukrainian word 'Shakhtar' as in the football team Shakhtar Donetsk?
	(Coal) miner
86	Home to the NRL team the Knights and A League soccer team the Jets, what is the second-largest city in New South Wales?
	Newcastle
87	Which playwright died in Stratford-upon-Avon in 1984? He was known for his propaganda radio broadcasts, which were credited with strengthening civilian morale during the Battle of Britain.
	J. B. Priestley
88	Of which 1980 film is Sir Lew Grade said to have remarked: "It would have been cheaper to lower the Atlantic"?
	Raise the Titanic
89	Which recurring TV sketch featured Captain Link Hogthrob and Dr Julius Strangepork?
	Pigs in Space (from <i>The Muppet Show</i>)
90	Which Shakespeare character advises his son "neither a borrower nor a lender be"?
	Polonius
91	Which Australian was the only golfer to win the Open three times in a row in the 20th century?
	Peter Thomson
92	On a suit of armour, which part of the body is protected by the greave?
	Shin (accept lower leg)
93	Which King of England got married in Cyprus?
	Richard I
94	From 1944, until the election of John F. Kennedy in 1960, only two men from the two main political parties would lose US presidential elections. Name either one.
	Thomas E. Dewey or Adlai Stevenson
95	R.E.M.'s <i>Losing My Religion</i> first appeared on which of their albums?
	Out of Time
96	Which admiral was executed in 1757 for failing to relieve the naval base of Minorca from a French siege?
	John Byng
97	David Dimbleby has fronted the BBC election night programme every election since February 1974. Which broadcaster, who died in 2016 aged 96, fronted the June 1970 election night broadcast. He also hosted the BBC's coverage of the Apollo moon landings.
	Cliff Michelmore



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98	Which American singer-songwriter, who started his career with the Impressions, wrote much of the soundtrack to the civil rights movement before penning the soundtrack to the Blaxploitation movie <i>Superfly</i> ?
	Curtis Mayfield
99	Regarded as a prophet by Rastafarians, which advocate of black nationalism founded the Black Star Line in 1919, a shipping and passenger line which promoted the return of the African diaspora to their ancestral lands?
	Marcus Garvey
100	Who played Mike in the TV series the Young Ones – he was the fourth member of the house along with Rik, Vyvyan and Neil.
	Christopher Ryan

101	Which dish, supposedly created for a post-natal Queen Victoria, contains the following ingredients: beef stock, stewing beef, lamb steak, butter, onion, carrot, parsnip, Madeira wine and a bouquet garni?
	Brown Windsor soup
102	Which 1978 film was released in Italy under the name <i>Brilliantina!</i> ?
	Grease
103	With over 1.5 million inhabitants, which city is the fifth largest in the USA and the most populous state capital?
	Phoenix
104	Which actor appears in the 1968 film <i>The Swimmer</i> , in which he swims across several gardens in a small Connecticut town in order to get home?
	Burt Lancaster
105	Also known as the White Monks, to which monastic order did the monks at Fountains Abbey belong?
	Cistercian
106	Who wrote the novel on which the film <i>Jaws</i> is based?
	Peter Benchley
107	Roger Federer is second on the list of all-time male tennis ranking event wins. Who, with 109 titles, is first?
	Jimmy Connors
108	What was the name of the racehorse which was the subject of an ownership dispute between Sir Alex Ferguson and stud farm magnate John Magnier?
	Rock of Gibraltar
109	In the <i>Lord of the Rings</i> books, by what name is Aragorn introduced when first encountered at Bree? The hobbits continue to call him by this name throughout the book.
	Strider
110	Who has a typecast cameo role in the film <i>Trainspotting</i> playing an irritating game show presenter?
	Dale Winton
111	In which town was the cartoon strip <i>Andy Capp</i> set?
	Hartlepool



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112	Daniel Ek is the founder and CEO of which company, which has been heavily criticised by musicians such as Thom Yorke, David Byrne and Taylor Swift?
	Spotify
113	Which song, which has become a Hibernian FC anthem, is the title track of the musical which features the songs of the Reid twins?
	Sunshine on Leith
114	What two-word phrase did Coldplay's Chris Martin and Gwyneth Paltrow use to describe their separation in 2014?
	Conscious uncoupling
115	In which English city is the longest guided busway in the world? It connects the city to Histon and Impington amongst other places.
	Cambridge
116	Galaxies come in three classes: spiral, irregular and which other?
	Elliptical
117	The U2 song <i>New Year's Day</i> was written about which trade union movement?
	Solidarity
118	Which English king was sometimes referred to as 'Fitzempress'?
	Henry II
119	Demis Roussos started his career as a member of which band?
	Aphrodite's Child
120	What was the name of the three-stage launch rockets used to support the Apollo missions?
	Saturn

Supplementaries

1	What type of creature is a serin?
	Bird
2	In which city did the infamous body snatchers Burke and Hare operate?
	Edinburgh
3	Nephrology is the study of which part of the body?
	Kidneys
4	Who was the lead singer with INXS until his death in 1997?
	Michael Hutchence
5	Who wrote the novels <i>The Trial</i> and <i>The Castle</i> ?
	Franz Kafka