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Specialist Rounds

Set by **Harrington Academicals**; vetted by **King's Gambit** and **Royal Oak**.

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| 1 | Dumb Britain | 2 | History: Empires and Emperors |
| 3 | Science | 4 | Geography |
| 5 | Arts & Entertainment: Virtual Geography | 6 | Famous New Zealanders |
| 7 | Sport | 8 | Over the Rainbow |

Round 1: Dumb Britain – as reported in Private Eye

All questions have been asked in UK quiz shows. Give the correct answer OR the answer given by the contestant.

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| 1 | Who was Bill Clinton's vice president? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Al Gore | Contestant's answer: | Al Jolson |
| 2 | In which American city can a theatre called the Grand Ole Opry be found? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Nashville | Contestant's answer: | Sydney |
| 3 | The name of which Italian, born in 1469, is synonymous with immoral cunning? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Machiavelli | Contestant's answer: | Mussolini |
| 4 | In which film did Dudley Moore star as the title character? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Arthur | Contestant's answer: | 10 |
| 5 | Which British politician is credited with founding the Metropolitan police while he was home secretary? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Sir Robert Peel | Contestant's answer: | Douglas Hurd |
| 6 | Who was prime minister when England won the World Cup in 1966? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Harold Wilson | Contestant's answer: | Woodrow Wilson |
| 7 | What was signed to bring World War I to an end in 1918? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Treaty of Versailles | Contestant's answer: | Magna Carta |
| 8 | The Brooklyn Bridge connects Brooklyn to which New York borough? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Manhattan | Contestant's answer: | Los Angeles |

Supplementaries:

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|---|--|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Which Cluedo character has a military rank? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Colonel Mustard | Contestant's answer: | Colonel Sanders |
| 2 | Which UK capital city stands on the Bristol Channel? | | | |
| | Correct answer: | Cardiff | Contestant's answer: | Bristol |



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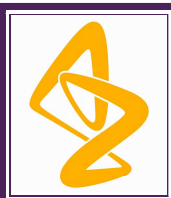
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Round 2: History – Empires and Emperors

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| 1 | Shah Jahan is best known for the building of the Taj Mahal at Agra. Which empire did he rule? |
| | The Mughal empire |
| 2 | In 1453, Mehmed II led the Ottoman Turks in seizing the city of Constantinople, putting an end to 1,000-year reign of which empire? |
| | The Byzantine Empire |
| 3 | Who was the last Emperor of China, as the 12th and final Emperor of the Qing dynasty? |
| | Puyi |
| 4 | Which city was the capital of the Hapsburg Empire? |
| | Vienna |
| 5 | Who was the first Roman emperor? |
| | Augustus Caesar |
| 6 | Which Tsar took the title of Emperor of all Russia in 1721, becoming first emperor? |
| | Peter the Great |
| 7 | Which Empire existing during the 13th and 14th centuries, was the largest contiguous land empire in history? |
| | The Mongol Empire |
| 8 | Cusco was the administrative, political and military centre of which empire? |
| | Inca |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | What event in 1997 marked for many the end of the British Empire |
| | The transfer of Hong Kong to China |
| 2 | What was the nickname of Frederick 1, Holy Roman Emperor from 1155 until his death? |
| | Barbarossa (accept Redbeard) |
| 3 | Which empire, known as the Triple Alliance, ruled the area in and around the Valley of Mexico from 1428, until the combined forces of the Spanish conquistadores and their native allies under Hernán Cortés defeated them in 1521? |
| | The Aztec Empire |



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Round 3: Science

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| 1 | Tungsten has the chemical symbol W. For what does W stand? |
| | Wolfram |
| 2 | What is the name of the deepest area on planet Earth? |
| | The Mariana Trench – specifically the Challenger Deep . Accept either |
| 3 | Mercury is the only metal that is liquid at room temperature. But which metal, with a melting point of 29.8°C, will melt in the human hand? |
| | Gallium |
| 4 | What is the name of the programme, started in 1942, to create an atom bomb? |
| | The Manhattan Project |
| 5 | Deuterium oxide is also known as what? |
| | Heavy water |
| 6 | Potassium has the chemical symbol K. For what does K stand? |
| | Kalium |
| 7 | What was the device, invented by Charles Babbage to tabulate polynomial functions? It was said to be the forerunner of the computer? |
| | The Difference Engine |
| 8 | What is the name given to the study of the development of the fertilised egg? |
| | Embryology |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | There are five tastes: sweetness, sourness, bitterness, saltiness and ... what is the fifth? |
| | Umami (accept savoury) |
| 2 | The nine-banded armadillo is native to which continent? |
| | North, South or Central America |
| 3 | Which scientist, a onetime resident of Bollington, shared the Nobel prize for Physics in 1951 for splitting the atomic nucleus? |
| | John Cockroft |



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Round 4: Geography

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| 1 | Before the break-up of the former Soviet Union, only two countries bordered the Caspian Sea: Iran and Russia. Now there are five. Name one of the other three. |
| | Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan or Kazakhstan |
| 2 | Name one of the three seas that surround North and South Korea. |
| | Yellow Sea, East China Sea, and the Sea of Japan (also known as the East Sea) |
| 3 | Which African country is listed by landminefree.org as being the most contaminated by number of land mines in the world? |
| | Egypt (estimated total of 23,000,000) |
| 4 | On which island is the holiday resort of Montego Bay? |
| | Jamaica |
| 5 | By area, which is the world's smallest ocean? |
| | Arctic |
| 6 | What percentage of the world's land area is taken by Africa? |
| | 22% (accept 20 to 25%) |
| 7 | What is the capital of Switzerland? |
| | Berne |
| 8 | How many counties are there on the south coast of England? |
| | Seven (Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Hampshire, West Sussex, East Sussex, Kent) |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | There are five republics of the former Soviet Union that end with 'stan'. Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan are three of them; name one of the other two. |
| | Kyrgyzstan or Tajikistan |
| 2 | Which European country is listed by landminefree.org as being in the top ten for countries with the most mines? |
| | Bosnia and Herzegovina (3,000,000) |
| 3 | What is the minimum number of land borders that must be crossed driving from Helsinki to Hong Kong |
| | Two – Russia, China |



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Round 5: Arts and Entertainment – Virtual Geography

All places have one thing in common: they do not exist.

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| 1 | What is the name of the kingdom ruled by Queen Elsa in Frozen |
| | Kingdom of Arendelle |
| 2 | What is the fictional island nation created for April Fools' Day 1977, by Britain's Guardian newspaper |
| | San Serriffe |
| 3 | Which mystical, harmonious valley is enclosed in the western end of the Himalayas, in James Hilton's novel <i>Lost Horizon</i> ? |
| | Shangri-La |
| 4 | In which country is it always winter but never Christmas? |
| | Narnia |
| 5 | Which absolute monarchy is divided into four quadrants – Quading country, Gillikin country, Winkie country and Munchkin country? |
| | The land of Oz |
| 6 | In what country is <i>The Prisoner of Zenda</i> set? |
| | Ruritania |
| 7 | Situated between England and the Isle of Man, what is the setting for Reverend Awdry's Thomas the Tank Engine railway network? |
| | Sodor |
| 8 | Which land in <i>Gulliver's Travels</i> is occupied by giants? |
| | Brobdingnag |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | In which Middle Eastern country were eight members of Melchester Rovers killed by terrorists (in <i>Roy of the Rovers</i>)? |
| | Basran |
| 2 | What is the fictional European country mentioned in the Simpsons episode, <i>The Italian Bob</i> |
| | Bartovia |
| 3 | Where is the backward country in the sports-themed comic strip <i>Tank McNamara</i> ? |
| | Carjackistan |



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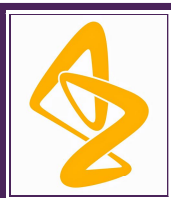
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Round 6: Famous New Zealanders

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| 1 | Which cricket all-rounder was knighted in 1990? |
| | Richard Hadlee |
| 2 | Who discovered the alpha particle (though at the time he thought they were rays) |
| | Ernest Rutherford |
| 3 | Who directed the <i>Lord of the Rings</i> films? |
| | Peter Jackson |
| 4 | Which middle distance runner, who won three Olympic gold medals, died in 2019? |
| | Peter Snell |
| 5 | How is the singer Ella Marija Lani Yelich-O'Connor better known? |
| | Lorde |
| 6 | Which opera singer sang Handel's <i>Let the Bright Seraphim</i> at the wedding of Charles, Prince of Wales, and Lady Diana Spencer |
| | Dame Kiri Te Kanawa |
| 7 | Who has played Rugby League for New Zealand, boxed professionally, and is the first Muslim to play for the All Blacks? |
| | Sonny Bill Williams |
| 8 | Who (as of 7 February) is the New Zealand Prime Minister? |
| | Jacinta Ardern |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | Who made headlines in 1953 while part of an expedition led by Sir John Hunt? |
| | Edmund Hillary |
| 2 | Which actor's leather jockstrap, worn in the 2005 film <i>Cinderella Man</i> , was auctioned off and bought by comedian John Oliver, who in turn donated it to Alaska's last operating Blockbuster Video store? |
| | Russell Crowe |



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Round 7: Sport

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| 1 | Which UK athlete was the world junior long jump champion in 2012, before going on to win Gold in another discipline at the 2019 senior World Athletics Championships? |
| | Katarina Johnson-Thompson (World Senior Heptathlon champion 2019) |
| 2 | Which aid to visibility was introduced to the Wimbledon tennis championships in 1986? |
| | Yellow tennis balls |
| 3 | Which driver won four consecutive Formula One titles for Red Bull in the 2010s? |
| | Sebastian Vettel (2010–2013) |
| 4 | Which English Premiership Rugby Union team play their home games at the Kingsholm stadium? |
| | Gloucester |
| 5 | Barring disaster, it looks that Liverpool FC will this year end their long wait for another League title. In which year did they last win the League? |
| | 1990 (season 1989–1990) |
| 6 | Who is the only England football manager to have won every game in charge? |
| | Sam Allardyce – he resigned following a tabloid sting after just one game as manager |
| 7 | Who is the UK's highest-ranked female tennis player? |
| | Johanna Konta (ranked No. 15 at 28 February 2020) |
| 8 | The Welshman Steve Jones is the last UK athlete to have held which world record? |
| | Marathon – he set the then record of 2.08.05 at the 1984 Chicago marathon, before losing his record in 1985 |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | Which premier league team's former stadium was in what was Dog Kennel Lane before it was re named after an American State |
| | Manchester City |
| 2 | The Superbowl winners, Kansas City Chiefs football team is located in which state |
| | Missouri (Donald Trump tweeted about the great state of Kansas after the match) |
| 3 | In Rugby league, there are two overseas teams in this year's Super League. Name either (Full team name required please) |
| | Catalans Dragons and Toronto Wolfpack |



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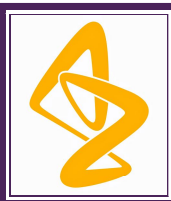
Round 8: Over the Rainbow

Each answer contains a colour of the rainbow, or the word 'rainbow' itself.

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| 1 | Which song, recorded by Tony Orlando and Dawn, was a worldwide hit in 1973? |
| | Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Ole Oak Tree |
| 2 | Which Duke Ellington jazz standard was originally titled <i>Dreamy Blues</i> ? |
| | Mood Indigo |
| 3 | In <i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> , which character eats blueberry pie and turns blue, inflates and turns into a giant blueberry? |
| | Violet Beauregarde |
| 4 | Who was the Viking founder of Greenland, and is believed by some to have reached America before Columbus? |
| | Eric the Red |
| 5 | Which Broadway musical of 1947 includes the song <i>How Are Things in Glocca Morra</i> ? |
| | Finian's Rainbow |
| 6 | What is the anti-war song, referring obliquely to Vietnam, on the REM album <i>Green</i> ? |
| | Orange Crush |
| 7 | Who was the lead guitarist with John Mayall's Bluesbreakers, who left to co-found Fleetwood Mac? |
| | Peter Green |
| 8 | Which semi-precious mineral, a form of fluorite with bands of colour, is sometimes called Derbyshire Spar? |
| | Blue John |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | What is the one-act expressionist opera by Hungarian composer Béla Bartók? |
| | Bluebeard's Castle |
| 2 | Who was said to have broken hearts around the world in 2013, when he decided to quit the UK's biggest boy/man band? |
| | Jason Orange |



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General Knowledge

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| 1 | In Greek mythology, who was the mother of Eros? |
| | Aphrodite |
| 2 | What is the real surname of actor Nicholas Cage? |
| | Coppolla |
| 3 | What is the only fish to have a prehensile tail? |
| | The seahorse |
| 4 | A Bandy Bandy is what type of Australian creature? |
| | A snake |
| 5 | In what decade of the 1800s was Aussie Rules football founded? |
| | 1890s |
| 6 | What is the name of Rwanda's President? |
| | Paul Kagame |
| 7 | What was Buddy Holly's real first name? |
| | Charles |
| 8 | Who was the last monarch to live in Hampton Court Palace? |
| | King George the Second |
| 9 | Who wrote the book <i>Trilby</i> ? |
| | George du Maurier |
| 10 | From which country does Brahma beer come? |
| | Brazil |
| 11 | In the United States, if a dessert is served 'a la mode', what is it served with? |
| | Ice cream |
| 12 | If you are a turophile, what do you love? |
| | Cheese |
| 13 | Who wrote the ballet <i>The Rite of Spring</i> ? |
| | Stravinsky |
| 14 | What is another name for the Christmas Rose or Lenten Rose, the earliest flowering perennial? |
| | The Hellebore or Helleborus |
| 15 | Who had hits in the 1970s with <i>Coco</i> and <i>Poppa Joe</i> ? |
| | Sweet |
| 16 | Who might have won the 2001 British Open if he hadn't taken out too many clubs? |
| | Ian Woosnam |



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| 17 | What is the main food of the oystercatcher? |
| | Cockles, mussels, limpets, whelks ; accept bivalves |
| 18 | What type of grass is the tallest and thickest? |
| | Bamboo |
| 19 | What popular craze of the 1970s gave rise to non-footballing figures in Subbuteo? |
| | Streakers! |
| 20 | In legend, which knight caused the death of the Lady of Shallot? |
| | Lancelot |
| 21 | Who composed the <i>Fingal's Cave Overture</i> ? |
| | Mendelssohn |
| 22 | Which year, during the Second World War, was the year of most road deaths in the UK since records began? |
| | 1941 (blackouts) |
| 23 | On which island is Cagliari? |
| | Sardinia |
| 24 | Logophobia is the fear of what? |
| | Words |
| 25 | Which triple jumper brought back Britain's only Gold medal from the 2001 World Athletic Championships? |
| | Jonathan Edwards |
| 26 | The cartoon character Mr. Magoo had what first name? |
| | Quincy |
| 27 | The okapi is a member of which animal family? |
| | Giraffe (Giraffidae) |
| 28 | What type of lorry is named after a Hindu god? |
| | Juggernaut |
| 29 | The Sabin vaccine is used to prevent which disease? |
| | Polio |
| 30 | What is the collective name for a set of bells? |
| | A peal |
| 31 | What is a common spadefoot? |
| | A toad |
| 32 | What is the minimum distance from Earth to Mars? You can give it in kilometres or miles and can have 1 million either way. |
| | It is 54.5 million kilometres or 33.9 million miles |



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| 33 | In which decade was the first pneumatic tyre patented? |
| | The 1840s – 1845 to be exact |
| 34 | If you suffer from pogonophobia, what do you dislike or have a fear of? |
| | Beards |
| 35 | Which of the Marx Brothers developed the clamp used to support the nuclear bomb dropped on Hiroshima? |
| | Zeppo – he was an engineer who founded the Marman Products Company and invented the Marman Clamp |
| 36 | Which country has the most patents per person? |
| | South Korea |
| 37 | Which planet has a moon named Europa? |
| | Jupiter |
| 38 | Of the 193 countries which are UN members, what percentage has the British Army invaded, fought conflicts in or controlled? |
| | Almost 90% |
| 39 | Which fruit, which is also a nut, contains a fleshy part from which the oil Copra is obtained? |
| | Coconut |
| 40 | What is the only vertebrate mammal capable of sustained flight? |
| | The bat |
| 41 | Which artist brought out an album called <i>Bring On The Night</i> ? |
| | Sting |
| 42 | Sir Robert Walpole is Britain's longest serving Prime Minister, but how many years did he serve? |
| | 20 years and 315 days (accept 19 years to 22 years) |
| 43 | Of which state is Sacramento the capital? |
| | California |
| 44 | In 1997 Katrina and the Waves won the Eurovision Song Contest – but what was the title of the song? |
| | Love Shine A Light |
| 45 | What is the main ingredient of faggots? |
| | Various cuts and offal of pork |
| 46 | Which English city was known as Sorviodunum by the Romans? |
| | Salisbury (accept Old Sarum) |
| 47 | Who holed the putt that gave Europe victory in the 2002 Ryder Cup? |
| | Paul McGinley |
| 48 | From which modern language do the words 'marmalade' and 'molasses' originate? |
| | Portuguese |



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| 49 | If you suffer from herpetophobia, what do you fear? |
| | Reptiles |
| 50 | What momentous thing did India do for the first time in 1974? |
| | Explode a nuclear device |
| 51 | In 1958, which Suffolk boatbuilder invented the hovercraft? |
| | Christopher Cockerell |
| 52 | Who owns the largest number of acres of land in Britain? |
| | The Forestry Commission |
| 53 | In 1995 the first British astronaut walked in space. Who was he? |
| | Michael Foale |
| 54 | On the banks of which river does Darlington stand? |
| | The Skerne |
| 55 | In 1991, an important treaty that had been signed in 1955 ended. What was its name? |
| | The Warsaw Pact |
| 56 | What are you afraid of if you suffer from Ballistophobia? |
| | Bullets |
| 57 | On which underground line is London's longest tunnel? |
| | The Northern Line |
| 58 | In 1593, the thermoscope, the forerunner of the thermometer was invented. Who invented it? |
| | Galileo |
| 59 | There are two tennis players who have won a record six or more French Open Men's Singles titles since 1968. Name either one of them. |
| | Bjorn Borg or Rafa Nadal |
| 60 | The Godfather in Mario Puzo's novel, The Godfather, was born in which Italian village? |
| | Corleone |
| 61 | The name of which country stems from the Portuguese words for 'bearded ones'? |
| | Barbados |
| 62 | What does an oenophile (<i>eenophile</i>) love? |
| | Wine |
| 63 | Which football team was known as The Biscuitmen until the 1980s? |
| | Reading (because of the large Huntley and Palmers biscuit factory nearby) |
| 64 | Where is Fingal's Cave? |
| | The (Scottish) Isle of Staffa |



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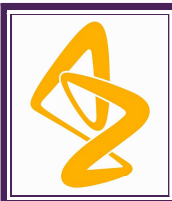
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| 65 | Who directed <i>A Beautiful Mind</i> and <i>The Da Vinci Code</i> ? |
| | Ron Howard |
| 66 | Which planet was the first to be visited by a spacecraft? |
| | Venus |
| 67 | In a best-selling novel of 1984, what was the name of the boat captained by Captain Ramius? |
| | Red October |
| 68 | Where are the Major and Minor Arcana found? |
| | In a tarot pack |
| 69 | What is the country that used to be called Dahomey, named now? |
| | Benin |
| 70 | If you are an astraphobic, what are you afraid of? |
| | (Thunder and) lightning |
| 71 | Plus or minus three years, when was the tie break introduced at Wimbledon? |
| | 1971 (accept 1968 to 1974) |
| 72 | From the Greek for 'all the devils', which uproarious name did the 17 th -century poet John Milton give to the capital city in Hell? |
| | Pandemonium |
| 73 | From which language do the words 'floe' and 'quisling' come? |
| | Norwegian |
| 74 | If you were travelling on a bearing of 337.5 degrees, to which of the 16 main points of the compass would you be heading? |
| | North by Northwest |
| 75 | If you are an arctophile, what do you love or collect? |
| | Teddy bears |
| 76 | Buddh International is the newest what? |
| | Formula 1 circuit (located in India) |
| 77 | Name any one of the two X-rated films in the USA that have been nominated for Best Picture awards at the Academy Awards. |
| | Midnight Cowboy or A Clockwork Orange |
| 78 | Off which European country's coastline is the island of Sable? |
| | France |
| 79 | At 83 metres high, which English Cathedral was the tallest between 1311 and 1549? |
| | Lincoln |
| 80 | In 1980, the Cargo ship <i>Athena B</i> ran aground on the beach of which English coastal town? |
| | Brighton |



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| 81 | The colour blue features on the national flag of Estonia. Name either of the other two colours. |
| | Black or white |
| 82 | In 1967 there was a number one chart hit called <i>Let the Heartaches Begin</i> . Who sang it? |
| | Long John Baldry |
| 83 | In 1958 King Feisal was murdered. Of what country was he the ruler? |
| | Iraq |
| 84 | When added to fireworks, what colour does Strontium give off? |
| | Red |
| 85 | What is Kentish Rag? |
| | A hard rock (sometimes used for building) |
| 86 | Which river flows through Rochester? |
| | The Medway |
| 87 | Who is the Roman goddess of victory? |
| | Victoria |
| 88 | What was the main aim of the Gunpowder Plot? |
| | To put a Catholic monarch on the throne |
| 89 | Which film features a scene at the top of a Big Wheel in a deserted funfair in Vienna? |
| | The Third Man |
| 90 | What is the capital of Alabama? |
| | Montgomery |
| 91 | Jack Lemmon was one half of the Odd Couple in the 1968 film. Who was the other? |
| | Walter Matthau |
| 92 | Name one of the three chemicals that make up gunpowder. |
| | Saltpetre, charcoal or sulphur |
| 93 | In Norse mythology, who carries the spirits of dead warriors to Valhalla? |
| | The Valkyries |
| 94 | Which large country considered Norland, Cabotia and Transatlantia, among many others, when choosing its name in 1867? |
| | Canada |
| 95 | The Union Jack is found on the flag of which US state? |
| | Hawaii |
| 96 | What is the name of the unit used to measure the strength of a pollution source or scent emission? |
| | The olf |



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Supplementaries:

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| 1 | What is the well-known Japanese word for the poisonous Puffer Fish? |
| | The fugu |
| 2 | Which modern European country covers most of the Roman province of Lusitania? |
| | Portugal |
| 3 | In which classic film is there an evil whale named Monstro? |
| | Pinocchio |
| 4 | What is a Gigli Saw used for? |
| | Cutting bone (or amputations) |