









2017–18 Season: Week 3 – 31 October 2017



All questions were set by the **British Flag**.

Specialist Rounds









Round 1: Arts & Entertainment

1	Which French artist, born in 1834, was best known for his paintings of ballet dancers and racehorses?
	Edgar Degas
2	Which famous British artist is sometimes said to have had himself tied to a mast of a ship so that he could paint a storm?
	J. M. W. Turner
3	Which sitcom, set in World War II, featured Rene and Edith Artois?
	'Allo 'Allo
4	In the TV series <i>The Likely Lads</i> , who did Bob marry? (first name only required)
	Thelma (Chambers)
5	What book contains the line "It is a far, far better thing I do, than I have ever done"?
	A Tale of Two Cities
6	Who wrote <i>The Female Eunuch</i> in 1970?
	Germaine Greer
7	Which Bond film shares its name with Ian Fleming's home in Jamaica?
	Goldeneye
8	What was Mel Gibson's job in the 1997 thriller "Conspiracy Theory"?
	Cabbie or taxi driver



Supplementaries:

1	Who wrote the wistful line "Oh, to be in England now that April's there"?
	Robert Browning (<i>Home Thoughts From Abroad</i>)
2	Who wrote the book <i>A Song of Ice and Fire</i> , upon which the very successful <i>Games Of Thrones</i> series is based?
	George R. R. Martin









Round 2: Geography

1	In which English county is Sizewell nuclear power station?
	Suffolk
2	Listing all the 15 independent countries that were once the Soviet Union, in alphabetical order, which country comes last?
	Uzbekistan
3	In which city would you find Phoenix Park?
	Dublin
4	Which UK seaside resort has a network of narrow shop-lined lanes, known as The Lanes?
	Brighton
5	Mount McKinley is the highest peak in the USA. In which state is it?
	Alaska
6	The second highest mountain above sea level in the world, K2, is located on the border between two countries, name either of them?
	Pakistan or China
7	Where in California is the lowest mainland point of the western hemisphere?
	Death Valley (actually Badwater at minus 282 feet)
8	Which is the only US State named after an English county?
	New Hampshire



Supplementaries:

1	In which country would you find the Atacama desert?
	Chile
2	What is the capital of Madeira?
	Funchal

Round 3: Sport

1	Which <i>Strictly Come Dancing</i> contestant of 2016 recently won a bronze medal in Montreal at the World Gymnastic Championships on the Floor Exercise?
	Claudia Fragapane
2	Name the GB swimmer who won two individual gold medals and one silver medal in a medley relay at the World Championships in Budapest in July this year?
	Adam Peaty
3	Which country's team took the gold medal in the men's 4 by 100m relay at the World Athletics Championships in London this summer?
	Great Britain
4	In rugby league, which team won the Super League Grand Final earlier this month at old Trafford?
	Leeds Rhinos (beat Castleford Tigers 24 – 6)
5	Which animal is found on the top of Rugby Union's Calcutta Cup?
	Elephant
6	In which US State is golf's first major, the US Masters, played in the first full week of April?
	Georgia (Augusta)
7	In horse racing, in which month does the Cheltenham Festival take place?
	March
8	At which Test cricket ground could you bowl from the Radcliffe Road end?
	Trent Bridge

Supplementaries:



1	Which country's Grand Prix returned in 2015 after a 13 year gap, having previously been held there from 1963 to 1970 and from 1986 to 1992?
	Mexico
2	In 1988, who became the first boxer to have won world championships at five different weight categories?
	Thomas Hearns (3 days before Sugar Ray Leonard also achieved this)

Round 4: Pen and Ink

All answers contain either the letters PEN or the letters INK in that order.








1	What was the name of Beatrix Potter's hedgehog laundress?
	Mrs.v TiggyINKle
2	In which European city would you find the statue of "The Little Mermaid"?
	CoPENhagen
3	What do we call a small personal ornament of no great value?
	TrINKet
4	Which word means "salary" particularly when applied to a clergyman?
	StiPENd
5	Who was the first man to win the World Professional Snooker Championship at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield in 1977?
	John SPEN cer
6	Name the man born in Scotland who founded a National Detective Agency in the USA in 1850?
	Alan PINK erton
7	Who had top ten hits with <i>Goodbye To Love</i> , <i>Top of the World</i> and <i>Only Yesterday</i> ?
	The CarPEN ters
8	Which firms security warehouse at Heathrow Airport was robbed in November 1983?
	BrINKs -Mat

Supplementaries:



1	Which song, from the musical <i>Sweet Charity</i> , has become strongly associated with Shirley Bassey?
	Big SPEN der
2	Which group's first top ten hit, in 1967, was entitled <i>See Emily Play</i> ?
	PINK Floyd (their other top 10 "Another Brick In the Wall" in 1979 was No. 1)

Round 5: Phonetic Alphabet









In this round a word from the NATO phonetic alphabet will appear in either the question or answer. A full answer is required.

1	What is the first name of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein?
	Victor
2	Who was the youngest world heavyweight boxing champion?
	Mike Tyson
3	The Battle of the Plains of Abraham, in 1759, led to the surrender of which city?
	Quebec
4	Who is the only person with the first name Oscar to have won an Oscar?
	Oscar Hammerstein II (accept Hammerstein – he won 2 Oscars for best song)
5	Which country's national flower is the lotus?
	India
6	Which song opens with the line "On a dark desert highway, cool wind in my hair"
	Hotel California
7	In which novel and film would you find the characters Mr. Salt, Arthur Slugworth, Grandpa Joe and Mike Teavee?
	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
8	In which TV series running from 1980 to 1985 did Stephanie Turner star in the lead role Jean Darblay?
	Juliet Bravo



Supplementaries:

1	Two mountain ranges, in California and Spain, share what name?
	Sierra Nevada
2	In Greek mythology, who was only able to speak the last few words spoken to her, as a result of enduring Hera's wrath?
	Echo

Round 6: Science

1	Discovered in 1950 and named after an American college which element has the symbol Bk?
	Berkelium
2	What has the formula C ₂ H ₅ OH?
	Ethanol (accept Alcohol)
3	Approximately what percentage of human blood is water (some leeway)?
	83% (accept 78% to 88%)
4	How many bones are there in the human hand (some leeway)?
	27 (accept 24 to 30)
5	Name either of the two planets in our solar system that rotate clockwise on their axis?
	Uranus or Venus
6	Who was Soyuz TM-12's British passenger in 1991?
	Helen Sharman
7	What Danish scientist won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1922 for his work in atomic structure and quantum theory?
	Niels Bohr
8	What is the boiling point of water on the Kelvin temperature scale?
	373° K

Supplementaries:









1	What name is given to the elements in Group 0 (zero) of the Periodic Table?
	The Noble or Inert Gases
2	Which Belgian priest and astronomer first put forward the Big Bang Theory for the origin of the universe, which he called his "hypothesis of the primeval atom " or the Cosmic Egg?
	Georges Lemaitre





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Round 7: History

1	What famous American building was burnt by British troops in 1812?
	The White House
2	Queen Victoria had 12 Prime Ministers during her reign, Viscount Melbourne was her first, who was her last?
	Marquess of Salisbury (Robert Gascoigne-Cecil)
3	Which London landmark marks the start of the Great Fire Of London?
	The Monument
4	Which wife of Henry VIII was married 4 times?
	Catherine Parr (twice before and once after)
5	In which country did the former Edward VIII marry Mrs. Wallis Simpson?
	France (Château de Candé , Monts)
6	Who succeeded James Callaghan as leader of the Labour party?
	Michael Foot
7	Who commanded the Charge Of The Light Brigade during the Crimean War?
	Lord Cardigan
8	Who was the first female President of Ireland?
	Mary Robinson



Supplementaries:

1	To make financial gain with little or no effort or by trickery is often referred to as "money for old rope". From which act does this everyday phrase originate?
	Public hangings (accept hanging – parts of the executioner's rope were sold as souvenirs)
2	How many children did Queen Victoria have?
	Nine

















Round 8: Browned Off!

1	Who wrote the stories about a school boy named William Brown?
	Richmal Crompton
2	The novel <i>Tom Brown's School Days</i> , written by Thomas Hughes and illustrated by E.H. Shepard, is set at which school?
	Rugby
3	Errol Brown was the lead singer with which group popular in the 1970s?
	Hot Chocolate
4	Who wrote and first performed the hit song <i>Brown Eyed Girl</i> in March 1967?
	Van Morrison
5	In which city is the NFL team "The Browns" based?
	Cleveland (Ohio)
6	In boxing who was named the Brown Bomber?
	Joe Louis
7	In 1981, Susan Brown became the first female competitor in which annual sporting event?
	University boat race
8	Brown Willy, at 1,378 feet, is the highest peak in which English county?
	Cornwall (on Bodmin Moor)

Supplementaries:

1	Which song by James Brown includes the lyric "It don't mean nothing without a woman or a girl"?
	It's a Man's, Man's, Man's World (accept any number of Man's)
2	Which cabinet position did George Brown hold between 1966 and 1968?
	Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (Foreign Secretary)

















General Knowledge

1	What is the longest nerve in the human body?
	Sciatic nerve
2	On May 6 th 2017 the old £5 note ceased to be legal tender replaced by our first "plastic money". A picture of whom was found on the reverse of the old £5 note?
	Elizabeth Fry
3	Barry Allen is the Alter Ego of which Marvel comic super hero?
	The Flash
4	Who played Professor Severus Snape in the Harry Potter films?
	Alan Rickman
5	Which post was first appointed to John Kendrick in 1694, and is currently held by Victoria Cleland?
	Chief Cashier of the Bank of England (signature on banknotes)
6	Which footballer scored the first English football premiership hat-trick for Leeds United in their 5–0 win over Tottenham Hotspur on 25 th August 1992?
	Eric Cantona (as of 22 nd October 2017 there have been 306 hat-tricks)
7	Who recently won the Man Booker Prize for his novel <i>Lincoln in the Bardo</i> ?
	George Saunders
8	Who plays Prince Albert alongside Jenna Coleman as Queen Victoria in the recent television series Victoria?
	Tom Hughes
9	What is used to celebrate 70 years of marriage?
	Platinum (Elizabeth II and Prince Philip to celebrate this on Nov 20 th)
10	In golf who is the captain of the European Team for the 2018 Ryder Cup?
	Thomas Bjorn
11	Who is the only US Vice President and President to hold both offices without being elected to either of them?
	Gerald Ford
12	Which novel takes place in Dublin on 16 th June 1904?
	Ulysses (James Joyce)
13	Which weather phenomenon translates from the Spanish for 'little boy'?
	El Niño
14	What was the name of the plane that dropped the first atom bomb named 'Little Boy' on Hiroshima on the 6 th August 1945?
	Enola Gay (Boeing B-29 Superfortress bomber)
15	How many pieces does each player start a game of draughts with?
	12
16	How many stones does each player start a game of backgammon with?
	15



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17	In which modern country is the birthplace of Nicolaus Copernicus, who first proposed that the earth orbited the sun?
	Poland
18	What was Operation Chastise in WWII?
	Dam bombing by 617 Squadron (' The Dambusters ')
19	During the allied invasion of Normandy in June 1944 what name was given to temporary portable harbours developed to facilitate the rapid offloading of cargo onto beaches?
	Mulberry harbours
20	What links Stanley Matthews in 1951, George Formby in 1953, Red Rum in 1977, Peter Kay in 2014 and Barbara Windsor in 2016, amongst others?
	They switched on the Blackpool Illuminations
21	Which city has been awarded the 2024 Summer Olympic Games, which will be 100 years since they were last staged there?
	Paris (Los Angeles has been awarded the 2028 games)
22	At the 2017 World Athletics Championships held in London what was the name of the mascot that caused so much hilarity attempting several of the events before the athletes did?
	Hero (the hedgehog)
23	In the 1975 film Jaws by Steven Spielberg, the film crew members gave the model shark what name?
	Bruce (after his lawyer Bruce Raynor)
24	Who was the last prisoner of Spandau Prison?
	Rudolph Hess
25	Who has replaced Mary Berry as one of the judges on the TV show "The Great British Bake Off"?
	Prue Leith
26	In which country in Africa is the Skeleton Coast?
	Namibia
27	The Royal Mile in Edinburgh runs from the entrance of Edinburgh Castle to the gates of which building?
	Holyrood House
28	Beyoncé rose to fame in the late 1990s as lead singer of which girl-group?
	Destiny's Child
29	What is the nickname of Cardiff City Football Club?
	The Bluebirds
30	Obsidian, a naturally occurring volcanic glass, is what colour?
	Black
31	Kerry Katona is a member of which girl-group?
	Atomic Kitten
32	Which charity was founded in 1942 by a group of concerned citizens, including Canon Theodore Milford and Professor Gilbert Murray ?
	Oxfam



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33	Seven oak trees were planted in 1902 on the north side of The Vine cricket ground in Sevenoaks, to commemorate what event?
	The coronation of Edward VII
34	Which famous person died on December 5 th 2013, the same day as a Royal Premier in London of a film about his life?
	Nelson Mandela
35	What old English unit of area was originally the size that a yoke of oxen could plough in a day?
	An acre
36	In the nursery rhyme <i>Who Killed Cock Robin</i> , who buried him?
	The owl (with his trowel)
37	What position in Government was held by Theresa May immediately before she became Prime Minister?
	Home Secretary
38	As of 22 nd October 2017, who is the current Secretary for Transport?
	Chris Grayling
39	Which English Composer of symphonies, chamber music, choral music and opera was born in Down Ampney, Gloucestershire in 1872 and is related to both Josiah Wedgwood and Charles Darwin?
	Ralph Vaughan Williams
40	<i>Reggatta de Blanc</i> , <i>Zenyatta Mondatta</i> and <i>Ghost in the Machine</i> are among the albums released by which band of the late 70s and early 80s?
	The Police
41	The 'alligator pear' is another name for which fruit?
	Avocado
42	How many small squares are there on the outside of a Rubik cube?
	54 (nine on each of the six faces)
43	Who will be taking over on TV as the 13 th Doctor Who next year?
	Jodie Whittaker
44	In a car collision what gas is released to inflate the emergency air bags?
	Nitrogen
45	In Shakespeare's <i>The Tempest</i> , what is the name of the sprite who serves the magician Prospero who rescued him from imprisonment by the witch Sycorax?
	Ariel
46	What is the name of the jester who appears in Shakespeare's <i>As You Like It</i> ?
	Touchstone
47	What is the capital of Madagascar?
	Antananarivo
48	The 1962 film <i>The Longest Day</i> refers to which particular day in history?
	D-Day, June 6th 1944 (accept either day or date)



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49	Who was the first woman elected to the House of Commons, in 1918, although she did not take her seat?
	Countess Constance Markievicz (she didn't take her seat as she was a member of Sinn Fein)
50	Who sings the theme song to the Bond film <i>Die Another Day</i> , starring Pierce Brosnan as 007?
	Madonna
51	What name is given to one of the earliest and strategically most important Roman roads of the ancient republic that connected Rome to Brindisi ?
	Appian Way
52	What was the first named British storm for the year 2017/2018?
	Aileen
53	What was the first product made and sold by Heinz in 1869?
	Horseradish sauce
54	What fish are used in the making of Worcestershire Sauce?
	Anchovies
55	James Hoban, an Irish architect, is best known for designing which famous building?
	The White House
56	How is the villain Oswald Chesterfield Cobblepot, who appeared in American comic books published by DC Comics, more commonly known?
	The Penguin (Batman)
57	What is the Christian name of Dame Edna Everage's husband?
	Norm (accept Norman)
58	Which famous Australian actress, after her divorce, said "At least I can wear high heels now"
	Nicole Kidman (divorce from Tom Cruise)
59	What was the name of Elvis Presley's backing band between 1956 and 1962?
	The Jordanares
60	Dating back to the mid 19 th century, what event takes place from the top of Rome's Gianicolo hill at noon every day?
	A cannon shot (blank) (Pope Pius IX ordered the blank shot to set a standard time for all of the churches of Rome)
61	What Italian city is served by Cristoforo Colombo airport?
	Genoa
62	Which country's principal airport is Changi airport?
	Singapore
63	Which value would you get in scrabble for the word QUIZ without any bonuses used?
	22 (one each for U and I, 10 each for Q and Z)
64	Which American city is nicknamed "the windy city"?
	Chicago



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65	Rumble-de-thumps is a Scottish dish comprising mainly of potato, onions and what else?
	Cabbage (similar to bubble and squeak and colcannon)
66	Blutwurst is the German equivalent of which British delicacy?
	Black pudding
67	What is the characteristic feature of the New Zealand birds the Kakapo (owl parrot) and Weka (wood hen)?
	They are flightless (also the Kiwi and Moa (extinct))
68	As PLC follows British Company names to indicate that they are a limited company or corporation which two letters denote the equivalent for a Swedish company?
	AB (Aktiebolag – "limited company" or "corporation")
69	The novel <i>War and Peace</i> , written by Leo Tolstoy, is set during which war?
	The Napoleonic Wars
70	The novel <i>For Whom The Bell Tolls</i> written by Ernest Hemingway, is set during which war?
	The Spanish Civil War (his book <i>A Farewell To Arms</i> is set during WWI)
71	In which sport would you perform Randy's, Rudy's and Randolphs?
	Trampolining
72	In which sport would your balls be yellow & pink and your opponents balls black & blue?
	Croquet
73	Who was the British Prime Minister at the time of the assassination of John F Kennedy?
	Alec Douglas Home
74	What service was created by three former PayPal employees— Chad Hurley , Steve Chen , and Jawed Karim in February 2005?
	YouTube (Jawed Karim's <i>Me at The Zoo</i> was the first video to be uploaded)
75	Which alkaloid found in the leaves of the tobacco plant has the chemical formula C ₁₀ H ₁₄ N ₂ ?
	Nicotine
76	What name is given to a small elevator (or lift) intended to carry objects rather than people up several floors, commonly found in restaurants, hospitals, retirement homes etc. with the lift generally terminating in a kitchen?
	Dumbwaiter
77	The majority of the moons of Uranus are named after Shakespearian characters. However three of the 27 moons - Ariel, Umbriel and Belinda - are named after characters from a poem by which English poet?
	Alexander Pope (from <i>The Rape Of The Lock</i>)
78	George Crum, an American chef, is credited with inventing what in the 1850s?
	Potato chips , or crisps (do not accept just Chips)
79	Tesco's "fashionable" clothes line is called F and F. What do the Fs stand for? (either will do)
	Fred or Florence
80	Amber and Velma Von Tussle and Edna and Wilbur Turnblad are characters who appear in which musical?
	Hairspray











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81	Nellie Forbush, Emile de Becque and Bloody Mary are the main characters who appear in which musical?
	South Pacific
82	What is the alcoholic ingredient in a Bloody Mary?
	Vodka (tomato juice, Worcestershire/Tabasco sauces, lemon, pepper)
83	What name is given to the cocktail made from Drambuie and Scotch whisky ?
	Rusty nail
84	Name the space shuttle that went on the very last space shuttle mission (STS 135) on July 21 st 2011?
	Atlantis (the first was Columbia, on 12 April 1981)
85	Michael Stipe is the lead singer with which US band from Athens Georgia formed in 1980?
	R.E.M.
86	What is the capital of Azerbaijan?
	Baku
87	What is the women's equivalent of the Ryder Cup?
	The Solheim Cup
88	How far apart are the goal posts in association football?
	8 yards, or 24 feet
89	As of 22 nd October 2017, who is the current US Secretary Of State?
	Rex Tillerson
90	Which small tree with bright yellow flowers is sometimes called the Golden Chain or Golden Rain tree?
	Laburnum
91	Which organisation was founded in 1905 after a meeting at London's Pinoli's Restaurant? Its motto, <i>Indocilis Privata Loqui</i> , translates as "not apt to disclose secrets"
	The Magic Circle
92	Lyme disease is an infectious disease caused by bacteria spread by which insects?
	Ticks
93	Which British monarch was described as 'the Wisest Fool In Christendom'?
	James I
94	Who hosts the daytime TV quiz game show <i>Alphabetical</i> ?
	Jeff Stelling
95	Who hosts the daytime TV quiz game show <i>Impossible</i> ?
	Rick Edwards
96	Which British Monarch was known as 'the Merry Monarch'?
	Charles II

Supplementaries:

1	In which city does the Great South Run take place in October each year?
	Portsmouth
2	What is the name of Bart Simpson's best friend?
	Milhouse Van Houten (accept Milhouse)
3	What colour is Roger Hargreaves's Mr. Tickle?
	Orange
4	When the Beatles played at the Royal Variety Show in 1963 what words followed John Lennon saying "For our last number, I'd like to ask for your help ... "
	Would the people in the cheap seats clap your hands, and the rest of you, if you'll just rattle your jewellery
5	What do actors Kelsey Grammer and Dennis Waterman have in common?
	They sang the theme tunes to TV shows in which they starred (Frasier and Minder, respectively)
6	Which was the last Bond film in which Roger Moore played 007?
	A View to a Kill
7	Which bird is also known as the windhover?
	Kestrel
8	What is the name of the bone in the upper arm?
	Humerus