

## 2018–19 Season: Week 18 – 26 March 2019

All questions set by the **Weaver**; vetted by **Rushton Diamonds** and **Park Timers**.

### Specialist Rounds

The Specialist Rounds are:

1. **History – countries and colonies**
2. **Politically correct**
3. **Sport**
4. **Science**
5. **Second best**
6. **Geography**
7. **PUB–lic knowledge**
8. **Arts and Entertainment**

## Round 1: History – Countries and colonies

In each case you will be given the name of a current country and the date on which it achieved independence. All that's required is the name of the respective colonial power prior to the date given. For example:

	Republic of Ireland – 1916
	<b>United Kingdom</b>
1	Angola – 1975
	<b>Portugal</b>
2	Guyana – 1966
	<b>United Kingdom</b>
3	Laos – 1953
	<b>France</b>
4	Iceland – 1918
	<b>Denmark</b>
5	Philippines – 1946
	<b>USA</b>
6	Rwanda – 1962
	<b>Belgium</b>
7	Finland – 1917
	<b>Russia</b>
8	Suriname – 1975
	<b>Netherlands</b>

## Supplementaries:

9	Bangladesh – 1971
	<b>Pakistan</b>
10	Namibia – 1990
	<b>South Africa</b>
11	Equatorial Guinea – 1968
	<b>Spain</b>

## Round 2: Politically Correct (hopefully!)

All the questions are related to politics, and all the answers are as correct as anything can be in the world of politics.

1	Which politician with forenames Jeremy John Durham died on 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2018 aged 77?
	Paddy <b>Ashdown</b>
2	<i>Pride and Perjury</i> is the title of which former conservative politician's autobiography?
	Jonathan <b>Aitken</b>
3	In a speech in the USA in 1946, what did Winston Churchill say stretched from Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic?
	The <b>Iron Curtain</b>
4	What nationality is current Secretary-General of the United Nations António Guterres?
	<b>Portuguese</b>
5	The Beehive is the common name for the executive wing at the parliament buildings of which country?
	<b>New Zealand</b>
6	What's the minimum age to become President of the USA?
	<b>35</b>
7	Which veteran Tory MP (for Wokingham) and John Major's rival for the Tory party leadership in 1995, was knighted in the New Year's Honours list?
	John <b>Redwood</b>
8	What parliamentary position is currently held by Sarah Clarke?
	<b>Black Rod</b>

## Supplementaries:

9	What title is shared by Robert A Caro's biography of Lyndon Johnson and the memoir by Margaret Thatcher of her early life?
	<b>The Path to Power</b>
10	Who was UK Prime Minister when women first got the vote in the UK?
	David <b>Lloyd George</b>
11	Which US government location is officially known as the Naval Support Facility, Thurmont?
	<b>Camp David</b>



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## Round 3: Sport

1	David Beckham was one of the two footballers to be named BBC sports personality of the year in the first decade of this century (2000–9). Who was the other?
	Ryan <b>Giggs</b>
2	Both the captain and vice-captain of the Australian test cricket team were given 12-month bans in 2018, after admitting ball-tampering during the Aussies' tour of South Africa. The captain was Steve Smith – who was the vice-captain?
	David <b>Warner</b>
3	The half marathon known as the Great North Run starts in Newcastle. In which town does it finish?
	<b>South Shields</b>
4	Swinley Bottom is part of which UK horse racecourse?
	<b>Ascot</b>
5	Who won the Open Golf Championship last year (2018)?
	Francesco <b>Molinari</b>
6	Harry Kane took the Golden Boot award in last years (2018) football World Cup. How many goals did he score?
	<b>Six</b>
7	What was Alastair Cook's score in his final test innings before retirement last September against India, which is a significant total in an unrelated sport or game?
	<b>147</b>
8	Who was the last female winner of the BBC sports personality of the year award?
	Zara <b>Phillips</b> (2006)

## Supplementaries:

9	Whitchurch High School in Cardiff has three former pupils that reached the highest levels in sport. Sam Warburton and Geraint Thomas are two; who is the third?
	Gareth <b>Bale</b>
10	The Rungrado 1 <sup>st</sup> of May stadium, reportedly the largest stadium in the world, is in which country?
	<b>North Korea</b>

## Round 4: Science

All questions concern inventors, inventions, or discoveries.

1	Who invented the first commercially successful incandescent light bulb?
	Thomas <b>Edison</b>
2	What was the first name of Mr Tesla of electrical engineering etc. fame
	<b>Nikola</b>
3	René Laennec is credited with inventing which medical instrument?
	The <b>stethoscope</b>
4	Which English chemist discovered (or isolated) and named Barium, Calcium, Strontium, and Magnesium in the early 19 <sup>th</sup> century?
	Sir Humphry <b>Davy</b>
5	What was the first name of Mr Mendeleev developer of the periodic table?
	<b>Dmitri</b>
6	Along with Pierre and Marie Curie, who in 1903 was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics for work in the field of radioactivity?
	Henri <b>Becquerel</b>
7	Which Russian–American is credited with inventing the modern helicopter?
	Igor <b>Sikorsky</b>
8	Which company first produced Aspirin in the late 19 <sup>th</sup> and early 20 <sup>th</sup> centuries?
	<b>Bayer AG</b>

## Supplementaries:

9	Which 16 <sup>th</sup> / 17 <sup>th</sup> century Scottish mathematician is best remembered for his development of logarithms?
	John <b>Napier</b>
10	Which Hungarian–born physicist was awarded the Nobel prize for physics in 1971 for his invention and development of holography?
	Dennis <b>Gabor</b>

## Round 5: Second Best

All questions refer to something, someone or somewhere coming second.

1	After China (2980 members), which country has the second largest national legislative assembly?
	The <b>UK</b> (1443 – 650 in the commons, 793 in the lords)
2	Slightly larger than Rhode Island, which US state is second smallest?
	<b>Delaware</b>
3	Who, after Roger Bannister, was the second man to break the four-minute mile barrier?
	John <b>Landy</b> (Australia)
4	Who, after Yuri Gagarin, was the second person to travel in space?
	Alan <b>Shepard</b>
5	Who, as of 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2019, is Deputy Leader of the Labour Party?
	Tom <b>Watson</b>
6	After Wembley (90,000), which stadium with a capacity of 82,000 is the UK's second largest stadium?
	<b>Twickenham</b>
7	The river Nile is Africa's longest river. Which is its next longest?
	The <b>Congo</b>
8	Jacqui Smith was the first female UK Home Secretary. Who was the next female to hold the post?
	Theresa <b>May</b>

## Supplementaries:

9	Who was the second president of the USA?
	John <b>Adams</b>
10	Which European capital city was the second city in the world, after London, to have an underground railway system?
	<b>Budapest</b>
11	<i>Fifty Shades of Grey</i> is the title of the first novel in the <i>Fifty Shades</i> trilogy. What's the title of the second instalment?
	<b>Fifty Shades Darker</b>

**Round 6: Geography**

1	Orkney and Shetland lie in which shipping forecast sea area?
	<b>Fair Isle</b>
2	The shipping forecast sea area known as Finisterre prior to 2002 is now known by what name?
	<b>Fitzroy</b>
3	Which US state capital lies furthest west?
	<b>Honolulu</b>
4	What's the largest Australian city that is NOT a state or territorial capital?
	<b>Gold Coast</b>
5	Which Australian state or territorial capital is named after the river on which it stands?
	<b>Brisbane</b>
6	Nowadays a World Heritage site, what did Dr. Johnson say "was worth seeing, but not worth going to see"?
	The <b>Giant's Causeway</b>
7	In Scottish names such as Strathclyde, what does the prefix Strath indicate?
	A <b>valley</b>
8	Which New Zealand city is named after the ancient name for Edinburgh?
	<b>Dunedin</b>

**Supplementaries:**

9	Which US state has the longest coastline?
	<b>Alaska</b> (6,640 miles)
10	Tucson is a city in which US state?
	<b>Arizona</b>
11	What is South Africa's largest city?
	<b>Johannesburg</b>

## Round 7: Pub-lic Knowledge

Each answer contains all or part of the name of a pub in the Macclesfield area. There may be slight variations in spelling in some cases.

1	The title characters of which E Nesbit novel share the surname Waterbury?
	<b>The Railway Children</b> (the Railway View)
2	Which stadium was the home ground of Wimbledon football club from 1912 until 1991?
	<b>Plough Lane</b>
3	Which river flows through the Yorkshire towns of Tadcaster and Wetherby?
	The <b>Wharfe</b>
4	What was the trade of Nick Bottom in Shakespeare's play <i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i> ?
	<b>Weaver</b>
5	Which recurring character in the Shrek films is voiced by Antonio Banderas?
	<b>Puss in Boots</b>
6	What's the nickname of Burton Albion football club, reflecting a major industry in the town?
	The <b>Brewers</b>
7	Who was described by Lady Caroline Lamb as "mad, bad, and dangerous to know"?
	<b>Lord Byron</b>
8	Who played bass guitar in the original line-up of Pink Floyd and in this century toured <i>The Dark Side of the Moon</i> and <i>The Wall</i> as a solo artist?
	Roger <b>Waters</b> (Waters Green Tavern)

## Supplementaries:

9	According to the nursery rhyme, who was killed by a bow and arrow wielded by a sparrow?
	<b>Cock Robin</b>
10	What's the English translation of the title given to the heir apparent of the French throne, most recently held by Louis Antoine between 1824 and 1830?
	<b>Dolphin</b> (Dauphin in the original French)
11	The Bodleian Library and Ashmolean museum can be found in which English city?
	<b>Oxford</b>

**Round 8: Arts & Entertainment**

1	Which current musical is based on the life and doings of one of the Founding Fathers, and the first Secretary of the Treasury, of the USA?
	<b>Hamilton</b> (Alexander Hamilton)
2	Perhaps best known for her role as Mo Harris in TV's <i>EastEnders</i> , Laila Morse is the sister of which award-winning actor?
	Gary <b>Oldman</b>
3	Who played the title role in the 1998 film version of Dr. Dolittle?
	Eddie <b>Murphy</b>
4	Who directed the 2012 film Django Unchained?
	Quentin <b>Tarantino</b>
5	Which musical was the last collaboration between Rodgers and Hammerstein?
	<b>The Sound of Music</b>
6	Which former US Vice President was awarded the 2006 Oscar for Best Documentary for his film <i>An Inconvenient Truth</i> ?
	Al <b>Gore</b>
7	Who immediately followed Richard Whiteley as the host of Countdown after Whiteley's death in 2005?
	Des <b>Lynam</b>
8	<i>The Blue Boy</i> is the title of an 18 <sup>th</sup> century oil painting by which artist?
	Thomas <b>Gainsborough</b>

**Supplementaries:**

9	Who played the title role in Mike Leigh's biopic <i>Mr Turner</i> a 2014 film about the later years of the artist?
	Timothy <b>Spall</b>
10	Who composed the music score for many so-called "spaghetti westerns" including <i>The Good, the Bad and the Ugly</i> , <i>A Fistful of Dollars</i> , <i>Once Upon a Time in the West</i> etc.?
	Ennio <b>Morricone</b>

## General Knowledge

1	Which town or city stands at the northern end of the Suez Canal?
	<b>Port Said</b>
2	Which English premier league football club is nicknamed The Cherries?
	<b>Bournemouth</b>
3	Cassiterite is the main ore of which metal?
	<b>Tin</b>
4	The phrase "the dreaded lurgy" originated in what 1950's radio show?
	<b>The Goons</b>
5	Who is the current (as of 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2019) Mayor of London?
	Sadiq <b>Khan</b>
6	What's the most abundant element in the universe?
	<b>Hydrogen</b>
7	Which darts player is nicknamed Jackpot?
	Adrian <b>Lewis</b>
8	Who is the current Father of the House in the House of Commons?
	Kenneth <b>Clarke</b>
9	According to the rhyme that begins "Monday's child", what fate befalls Saturday's child in the most common modern version?
	<b>Works hard for a living</b>
10	There are just two horse racing courses in the UK that begin with M. Market Rasen is one, what's the other?
	<b>Musselburgh</b>
11	In what context did the Wild Boars football team visit Old Trafford (Man Utd) in October last year?
	Members of the <b>Thai boys' team</b> that were <b>trapped underground</b>
12	The Galapagos Islands belong to which country?
	<b>Ecuador</b>
13	According to the UK Official Charts, what was the Beatles' first UK No. 1 single?
	<b>From Me to You</b>
14	The leader of which major country is due to abdicate on 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2019?
	<b>Japan</b> (Emperor Akihito)
15	What's the only Asian country through which the Equator passes?
	<b>Indonesia</b>
16	Lincoln (Nebraska) is one of the four US state capitals named after US presidents. Name any one of the other three.
	<b>Madison</b> (Wisconsin), <b>Jackson</b> (Mississippi), or <b>Jefferson City</b> (Missouri)



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17	What species of bird did Florence Nightingale keep as a pet named Athena, which she carried about with her in her pocket?
	<b>Owl</b>
18	Which punk singer and guitarist, best known as lead vocalist of the Buzzcocks, died in December 2018?
	Pete <b>Shelley</b>
19	Who was voted in February 2019 to be the UK's representative in this year's Eurovision Song Contest, singing <i>Bigger Than Us</i> ?
	Michael <b>Rice</b>
20	Played by Brenda Blethyn in the TV series <i>Vera</i> , what is Vera's surname?
	<b>Stanhope</b>
21	What type of rock gets its name from the Latin for fire?
	<b>Igneous</b>
22	Much of its work top secret, what's the name of the Ministry of Defence's science and technology laboratory on Salisbury Plain?
	<b>Porton Down</b>
23	"Your mother has a smooth forehead" is considered to be an insult in what fictional language?
	<b>Klingon</b>
24	Oscitation is the medical name for what natural reflex?
	<b>Yawning</b>
25	The Vizsla is a breed of dog from which country?
	<b>Hungary</b>
26	What bird, well known to many, is the state bird of New Mexico?
	The <b>roadrunner</b> (accept Chaparral Cock)
27	How many Earth days does it take Mercury to orbit the sun?
	<b>88</b> (accept 80 to 96)
28	The Shard, the UK's tallest building, was designed by which architect?
	Renzo <b>Piano</b>
29	Kempton Park is one of the two UK horse racing courses that begin with K. What's the other?
	<b>Kelso</b>
30	Which country has won the FIFA Women's World Cup most times?
	<b>USA</b> (three times)
31	Which world leader is the honorary president of the International Judo Federation?
	Vladimir <b>Putin</b>
32	Which flower is the national flower of India?
	The <b>lotus</b>



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33	Used in high performance racing tyres and bulletproof vests, what substance was developed by Stephanie Kwolek at Du Pont in 1965?
	<b>Kevlar</b>
34	Which river is the world's longest river totally within one country?
	The <b>Yangtze</b>
35	Eleanor of Castile was the first wife of which English king?
	<b>Edward I</b>
36	Which holiday organisation are the current sponsors of West Indies cricket?
	<b>Sandals</b> Resorts
37	Which augmented reality mobile game, first released in summer 2016, was developed by Niantic Labs?
	<b>Pokemon Go</b>
38	According to Dr. Johnson, what is "the last refuge of a scoundrel"?
	<b>Patriotism</b>
39	Lord Derby, Beauty of Bath, and James Grieve are all varieties of what?
	<b>Apple</b>
40	Dunlop, Limburger, and Jarlsberg are all varieties of what?
	<b>Cheese</b>
41	In American football, in which state do the Green Bay Packers play their home games?
	<b>Wisconsin</b>
42	A Gurdwara is a place of worship in which faith?
	<b>Sikhism</b>
43	"Not apt to disclose secrets" is the motto of which organisation?
	The <b>Magic Circle</b>
44	<i>Paraguas</i> is the Spanish word for what everyday object?
	<b>Umbrella</b>
45	David Shilling is a popular designer of what fashion item?
	<b>Hats</b>
46	In which range of hills does the River Thames rise?
	The <b>Cotswolds</b>
47	<i>Bollitore</i> is the Italian word for what household object?
	<b>Kettle</b>
48	What event at the 2012 London Olympics took place at Lord's Cricket ground?
	<b>Archery</b>



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49	The ONS is a UK government agency. What does the letter S stand for?
	<b>Statistics</b> (Office for National Statistics)
50	Nowadays a popular food brand name, what was the food of the gods in ancient Greece?
	<b>Ambrosia</b>
51	Costa Rica is one of the two countries in Central America that have a two-word name – what's the other?
	<b>El Salvador</b>
52	Reaching No. 2 on the UK singles chart, which band recorded <i>Vindaloo</i> for the 1998 FIFA World Cup?
	<b>Fat Les</b>
53	Under what name did Mark Hoyle record the 2018 Christmas No. 1 single <i>We Built This City (On Sausage Rolls)</i> ?
	<b>LadBaby</b>
54	How many sides does a tetradecagon have?
	<b>14</b>
55	Who is missing from the following list? Luciana Berger, Chris Leslie, Angela Smith, Mike Gapes, Gavin Shuker, Ann Coffey.
	Chuka <b>Umunna</b> (members of the Independent Group who defected from the Labour and Conservative Parties recently)
56	Of which UK political party did Adam Price become leader in September 2018?
	<b>Plaid Cymru</b>
57	Stefani Germanotta is the actual name of which singer?
	<b>Lady Gaga</b>
58	What number does England cricketer Joe Root display on his shirt in One-Day Internationals?
	<b>66</b> (from 'Route 66')
59	In World War II who or what were code named Little Boy and Fat Man?
	<b>Atomic bombs</b> (dropped on Japan – Little Boy on Hiroshima, Fat Man on Nagasaki)
60	According to the old rhyme Solomon Grundy was born on Monday – what happened to him on Thursday?
	He <b>took ill</b>
61	How many characters are allowed in a tweet, for all languages except Chinese, Japanese and Korean?
	<b>280</b> (increased from 140 in November 2017)
62	Sharing its name with a village in the Macclesfield area, where in Virginia does the CIA have its headquarters?
	<b>Langley</b>
63	Sharing his surname with that of a village in the Macclesfield area, which chef presented the TV series <i>Proper Pub Food</i> ?
	Tom <b>Kerridge</b>
64	Calvin Cordozar Broadus is the actual name of which rapper?
	<b>Snoop Dogg</b>



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65	What links the following: a laboratory vessel in which the contents are heated to a very high temperature; a play by Arthur Miller; professional snooker?
	<b>Crucible</b>
66	To which section of an orchestra does the Glockenspiel belong?
	<b>Percussion</b>
67	What title is given to the head of state in Luxembourg?
	<b>Grand Duke</b>
68	What's the maximum number of clubs that a professional golfer may have in his bag?
	<b>14</b>
69	The subject of one of TV's funniest sketches, which multi-talented musician died on 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 aged 89?
	André <b>Previn</b> ("Mr. Preview" to Morecambe & Wise)
70	In years, how long is a French Presidential term?
	<b>Five</b> (reduced from seven in 2002)
71	Played by Herbert Lom, what's the name of Clouseau's boss in <i>The Pink Panther</i> films?
	Chief Inspector <b>Dreyfus</b>
72	Who composed the music for <i>The Pink Panther</i> films?
	Henry <b>Mancini</b>
73	What name is given to a female hedgehog?
	<b>Sow</b>
74	Famous for her <i>Book of Household Management</i> , what was Mrs Beeton's first name?
	<b>Isabella</b>
75	Mrs. Brown is the alter ego of which Irish comedian, actor, writer and producer?
	Brendan <b>O'Carroll</b>
76	What name is given to a male salmon?
	<b>Cock</b>
77	The Fields Medal is awarded for expertise in what subject?
	<b>Mathematics</b>
78	ATOL is a scheme to protect package holidaymakers etc. What does the L stand for?
	<b>License</b> (Air Travel Organisers' License)
79	On what area of the moon's surface did Apollo 11 land in 1969 to set the first man on the moon?
	The <b>Sea of Tranquility</b>
80	What was the name of the third member of the crew of Apollo 11, who didn't set foot on the moon?
	Michael <b>Collins</b>



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81	The Tate Gallery has four galleries or museums that operate under its name. Two are in London, one in Liverpool, and one in which UK town?
	<b>St. Ives</b> (Cornwall)
82	The Uffizi gallery in Florence is one of the most famous galleries in the world. What's the literal translation of the name Uffizi?
	<b>Offices</b>
83	Which member of the Kardashian family was named earlier this month (March 2019) as the world's youngest self-made billionaire? (Full name required.)
	<b>Kylie Jenner</b>
84	Earlier this month (March 2019), which American company, founded by Elon Musk, became the first private company to autonomously dock a spacecraft with the International Space Station?
	<b>SpaceX</b> (accept Space Exploration Technologies Corp.)
85	What age was William Pitt the Younger when he became the UK's youngest Prime Minister in 1783?
	<b>24</b> (accept 22 to 26)
86	Easter Island, famous for its huge statues, belongs to which country?
	<b>Chile</b>
87	Clive Everton is a veteran TV commentator on which sport?
	<b>Snooker</b>
88	The only UK Prime Minister to have been born outside of the British Isles, who immediately followed David Lloyd George as Prime Minister of the UK?
	Andrew <b>Bonar Law</b>
89	Which British racing driver now competes in Formula 3, despite having both legs amputated after a crash in a Formula 4 race at Donnington Park in 2017?
	Billy <b>Monger</b>
90	In which US city does the McDonalds corporation have its headquarters?
	<b>Chicago</b> (Illinois)
91	Elton John's song <i>Philadelphia Freedom</i> was written as a favour to which tennis player?
	Billie Jean <b>King</b>
92	Who were the songwriters of the Kenny Rogers / Dolly Parton hit <i>Islands in the Stream</i> ?
	The <b>Bee Gees</b> (accept any one of the Gibb brothers)
93	In which US city does the Coca-Cola corporation have its headquarters?
	<b>Atlanta</b> (Georgia)
94	Which specific sporting distinction, previously achieved by Pierluigi Collina, Sandor Puhl, and Gottfried Dienst, did Nestor Pitana achieve in summer 2018?
	<b>Refereed the FIFA World Cup Final</b>
95	In what year was daylight saving first adopted in the UK?
	<b>1916</b> (accept 1914 to 1918)
96	Which veteran actor and presenter has hosted the Radio 4 panel game show <i>Just a Minute</i> for over forty years?
	Nicholas <b>Parsons</b>

**Supplementaries:**

1	What colour will UK passports be after Brexit?
	<b>Blue</b>
2	In terms of passengers, Hartsfield–Jackson is the world's busiest international airport. Which US city does it serve?
	<b>Atlanta</b> (Georgia)
3	In 1947, Chuck Yeager became the first person to do what?
	<b>Break the sound barrier</b>
4	Arlene Foster is the leader of which UK political party?
	<b>DUP</b> (Democratic Unionist Party)
5	Bamako is the capital city of which African country?
	<b>Mali</b>
6	The Three Choirs music festival takes place in three cathedrals. Gloucester and Worcester are two of them; what's the third?
	<b>Hereford</b>
7	Name either of the two countries separated by the Torres Strait.
	<b>Australia or Papua New Guinea</b>
8	Which British TV drama series, which was nominated for a Golden Globe in 2019, is based on a series of novellas entitled <i>Codename Villanelle</i> ?
	<b>Killing Eve</b>