

2022–3 Season: Week 18 – 18 April 2023

Set by the **Plough Horntails**.

Specialist Rounds

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Round 1: Geography

1	Etruria is a suburb of which English city?
	Stoke-on-Trent
2	Which is the southernmost island of the Inner Hebrides?
	Islay
3	On which continent is Mount Erebus?
	Antarctica
4	South Africa has three capital cities: Cape Town, Pretoria, and which other?
	Bloemfontein (the judicial capital)
5	In which desert is the US city of Las Vegas?
	The Mojave (<i>mo-hahvey</i>)
6	By what name is the Sea of Cortez, on the west coast of North America, more commonly known?
	The Gulf of California
7	Which river flows through St. Petersburg?
	The Neva
8	In which US state is Mount St. Helens?
	Washington

Supplementaries:

1	How long, in miles, is the M1 motorway?
	193 miles (accept 191 to 195)
2	Which sea passage, between the Irish Sea and the Atlantic Ocean, separates Pembrokeshire and Ireland?
	St. George's Channel

Round 2: Otherwise Known As

You will be given the pseudonym or nickname of a famous person, and their 'field of interest'. Give the real name. Alternatively: given the real name, give the pseudonym or nickname.

1	Real name: Archibald Alec Leach. Hollywood actor, 1904–86
	Cary Grant
2	Pseudonym: Mark Twain. Literature
	Samuel Langhorne Clemens
3	Nickname: The Human Hand Grenade. Current UK politics
	Liz Truss
4	Nickname: President Big Daddy. 20th century US politics
	Lyndon B. Johnson
5	Nickname: Father of Railways. Engineering, 1781–1848
	George Stephenson
6	Nickname: The Greased Piglet. Current UK politics
	Boris Johnson
7	Real name: Marie Lawrie. Music, since the 1960s
	Lulu
8	Nickname: The Sage of Monticello. Historical US politics
	Thomas Jefferson

Supplementaries:

1	Pseudonym: Bob Dylan. Music and literature, 1960s onward
	Robert Allen Zimmerman
2	Nickname: Slick Willie, or The Comeback Kid. US politics
	Bill Clinton

Round 3: History – As Reported in The Guardian

1	In 1991, tycoon (/crook) Robert Maxwell disappeared in peculiar circumstances from the back of his private yacht. Which daily newspaper group admitted that there were "millions missing" from its corporate funds?
	Mirror Group Newspapers (accept Daily Mirror)
2	Which Conservative ex-cabinet minister was convicted of perjury in 1997, despite his vow to use in his defence "the sword of truth" and "the trusty shield of fair play"?
	Jonathan Aitken
3	Which <i>Guardian</i> sportswriter described the difference between "the cricket legend Don Bradman and the stylish Frank Woolley" as "the flight of a bird and the flight of an aeroplane"?
	Neville Cardus
4	Accompanied by a picture of American troops physically manhandling a helicopter over the side of a warship to make room for more evacuation flights, in which year did the USA withdraw its forces from Vietnam?
	1975
5	<i>Guardian</i> cartoonist Steve Bell drew which Prime Minister wearing his Y-fronts over the top of his trousers?
	John Major
6	Which veteran BBC correspondent and <i>Guardian</i> writer described Joe Frazier's boxing style against Mohammed Ali in 1971 as "punches coming with the impatience of a squirrel burying his nuts"?
	Alistair Cooke
7	In 1963, who was described in <i>The Guardian</i> as "the Third Man in the Soviet spy ring" in Cambridge?
	Kim Philby
8	Che Guevara was described by the <i>Guardian</i> writer who met him as "only ever seen on posters in people's houses". In which year did Guevara die?
	1967 (accept 1966 to 1968)

Supplementaries:

1	What was the name of the Panamanian law company at the centre of the Panama Papers scandal in 2016?
	Mossack Fonseca
2	Who was exposed in 2005 as the regular writer of what became known as "the Black Spider memos"?
	Prince Charles (now King Charles III)

Round 4: Science and Nature

1	Which element has the lowest boiling point?
	Helium (-268.9 °C; hydrogen is -252.9 °C)
2	Which metallic element is obtained from the ore haematite?
	Iron
3	which is the smallest planet in the Solar System?
	Mercury
4	How long in minutes does it take for light to reach the Earth from the Sun?
	8 minutes 20 seconds (on average). Accept 8 or 9 minutes
5	In dyeing material, what name is given to the substance used to fix the colouring?
	A mordant
6	Which photographic system was invented in 1947 by Edwin Land?
	The Polaroid camera
7	What is measured on the Mercalli scale?
	Earthquake intensity (in science it has largely replaced the Richter scale)
8	On an aircraft, what is the purpose of a pitot (<i>pee-toe</i>) tube?
	Measuring air speed

Supplementaries:

1	What's the common name for metamorphose limestone?
	Marble
2	How many quarks make up a proton?
	Three (to be precise: two up quarks and one down quark)

Round 5: Arts and Entertainment: the Director's Cut

All questions in this round are about films.

1	Who played the eponymous hero in the 2013 film version of <i>The Secret Life of Walter Mitty</i> ?
	Ben Stiller (Danny Kaye in 1947)
2	Who directed the critically-acclaimed 2009 sci-fi film Avatar ?
	James Cameron
3	Which film tells the story of the rise to fame of the rap group NWA in the mid-1980s?
	Straight Outta Compton
4	What's the name of the film company founded by Spielberg, Katzenberg and Geffen?
	Dreamworks
5	Who directed the films <i>Side Effects</i> , <i>Behind the Candelabra</i> , and <i>Magic Mike</i> ?
	Steven Soderbergh
6	Brad Pitt was nominated for an Oscar for his role in which film, in which he ages backwards?
	The Curious Case of Benjamin Button
7	With which film did Quentin Tarantino make his directorial debut?
	Reservoir Dogs
8	Cary Grant and Eva Marie Saint were the stars of which 1959 Alfred Hitchcock film?
	North by Northwest

Supplementaries:

1	Who wrote the novella on which the hugely successful film <i>The Shawshank Redemption</i> was based?
	Stephen King
2	In <i>Monty Python's The Meaning of Life</i> , what is Mr. Creosote's final morsel at dinner?
	A wafer-thin mint
3	During which war is the movie <i>Cold Mountain</i> set?
	The American Civil War
4	Which film documented the story behind Walt Disney's quest to adapt <i>Mary Poppins</i> for the big screen?
	Saving Mr. Banks

Round 6: Sport

1	In the 2021–22 Premier League season there were two joint–top scorers: Mo Salah for Liverpool, and which other?
	Son Heung–min (Spurs – 23 goals. Cristiano Ronaldo 18, Harry Kane 17)
2	Which footballer has scored the most goals in World Cup history?
	Miroslav Klose (Germany – 16 goals in 4 world cups)
3	In which year did Roger Federer win his first Wimbledon title?
	2003 (beat Mark Philippoussis 7–6 (7–5), 6–2, 7–6 (7–3))
4	Which country are the current Netball World Champions?
	New Zealand (2019 in Liverpool)
5	Three Formula One drivers have won the BBC Sports Personality of the Year award twice. Lewis Hamilton (2014 and 2020) is one; name one of the others.
	Damon Hill (1994 and 1996) or Nigel Mansell (1986 and 2002)
6	Which sports presenter devised Mo Farah's 'Mobot' celebration?
	Clare Balding (on Sky's sport–based comedy panel game show <i>A League Of Their Own</i>)
7	How many Olympic gold medals did rower Steve Redgrave win?
	Five (1984 to 2000)
8	Usain Bolt is still the fastest man in the world. In which year did he set the current world record, running 100 metres in 9.58 seconds?
	2009 (in the Final of the World Championships, in Berlin)

Supplementaries:

1	How old was the American tennis player Cori Dionne 'Coco' Gauff when she beat Venus Williams in the first round at Wimbledon in 2019?
	Fifteen
2	In rugby union, who is the all–time top try–scorer for the England men's team?
	Rory Underwood (still!)
3	Which England footballer was famously never shown a yellow card?
	Gary Lineker
4	Which city is set to host the next Summer Olympic Games?
	Paris

Round 7: Divided by a Common Language

Our American cousins regularly use words differently from us, or even use unfamiliar ones. What are the British equivalents for the following?

1	Dumpster
	Skip
2	Bangs
	Fringe (as in hairstyles)
3	Faucet
	Tap (as in water)
4	Grits
	Porridge (made from cornmeal, especially in the Southern states)
5	Spelunking
	Cave exploration or potholing
6	Cotton candy
	Candy floss
7	Rutabaga
	Swede or turnip
8	Suspenders
	Braces (as used to hold one's pants, sorry trousers, up)

Supplementaries:

1	Frosting
	Icing (as on cakes)
2	Traffic circle
	Roundabout
3	Vest
	Waistcoat

Round 8: Products of the Mad Men (Advertising)

1	Which 'celebrity' fronts the current television adverts for the communications company E:E?
	Kevin Bacon
2	Which male 'celebrity' fronted current or recent television adverts for WeBuyAnyCar.com?
	Philip Schofield
3	Which cake company claims to make "exceedingly good cakes"?
	Mr. Kipling
4	In the 1960s, eggs were advertised as 'trustworthy' if they were stamped with what logo?
	A little lion
5	In the 1980s, which company advertised its beer as "the amber nectar"?
	Foster's
6	Specifically, what make and brand of clothing was advertised in the mid-1980s by a male model taking his clothes off in a launderette?
	Levi 501 jeans
7	In the mid-to-late 1980s, which actress urged us to "use the Shake & Vac to put the freshness back"?
	Jenny Logan
8	In the mid-1980s, a man walked into several bookshops looking for a book entitled <i>Fly Fishing</i> , by J. R. Hartley. What was the advert promoting?
	Yellow Pages

Supplementaries:

1	Which cigarette brand was advertised in the 1940s and 50s with the line, "...will not affect your throat"?
	Craven 'A'
2	Which petrol company invited drivers to "put a tiger in [their] tank"?
	Esso

General Knowledge

1	The flag of which south-east Asian country is red, with a five-pointed yellow star in the middle?
	Vietnam
2	In <i>The Divine Comedy</i> , which Roman poet conducts Dante through Hell and Purgatory?
	Virgil
3	The phrase "winning by a canvas" is sometimes used to describe a narrow victory in which sport?
	Rowing
4	By what name is the fictional character Oswald Cobblepot better known?
	The Penguin (in <i>Batman</i>)
5	Which county is known as "the Land of the Prince Bishops"?
	Durham
6	Who wrote the play <i>A Voyage Round My Father</i> , about his relationship with his blind barrister father?
	(Sir) John Mortimer
7	The fingerprints of humans share many characteristics with those of which common marsupial?
	Koalas
8	Which poisonous plant, often associated with magical rituals, was thought in the Middle Ages to utter a shriek when pulled from the ground?
	Mandrake
9	What term is used for a fruit with a thin skin, fleshy interior, and a hard, stony inner layer?
	Drupe (examples include plums, cherries, almonds and olives)
10	The <i>Bridal Chorus</i> , better known as <i>Here Comes the Bride</i> , is from which opera by Wagner?
	Lohengrin
11	In Norse mythology, what is the name of the dwelling place of the gods?
	Asgard (not Valhalla, which is a majestic hall in Asgard reserved for warriors who die in battle)
12	What is the premier French order of distinction, founded by Napoleon in 1802?
	The Legion d'Honneur , or Legion of Honour
13	In 1877, Spencer Gore became the first winner of which sporting championship?
	Wimbledon (Gentlemen's Singles)
14	<i>Love Changes Everything</i> is the opening number from which Andrew Lloyd-Webber musical?
	Aspects of Love
15	Which city is shown as the centre of the world on the mediaeval <i>Mappa Mundi</i> ?
	Jerusalem



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16	What word, indicating that a reference will be found in several places throughout a text, is derived from the Latin for 'scattered'?
	Passim
17	How old did you have to be to qualify for an old age pension, when first introduced in the UK in 1909?
	70
18	The plot of which Shakespeare comedy uses as a backdrop the enmity between the cities of Syracuse and Ephesus?
	The Comedy of Errors
19	What term is used for the police tactic of containing large crowds for a long time during demonstrations?
	Kettling
20	Which relative of the giraffe is found only in the deep forests of Africa, and was unknown to Europeans until about 1900?
	The okapi
21	Which northern city lies at the confluence of the rivers Foss and Ouse?
	York
22	The Parthenon was the chief temple of which Greek goddess?
	Athena
23	In the Channel 4 comedy series, which Bolton nightclub was run by Brian Potter (played by Peter Kay)?
	The Phoenix Club (please don't accept anything else; Phoenix Nights was the series)
24	Which woodwind instrument has been described as "the ill wind that no one blows good"?
	The oboe
25	Who wrote the song <i>Mr. Tambourine Man</i> – a UK No. 1 hit for the Byrds in 1965?
	Bob Dylan
26	Who played Idi Amin in <i>The Last King of Scotland</i> ?
	Forrest Whittaker
27	Which Latin word, now applied to a retired person who has been permitted to retain as an honorary title the rank of the last office held, originally meant 'honorably discharged from public duty'?
	Emeritus
28	Who is the current Secretary of State for Northern Ireland?
	Chris Heaton-Harris
29	Who created and scripted the television shows <i>One Foot in the Grave</i> , <i>Love Soup</i> , and <i>Jonathan Creek</i> ?
	David Renwick
30	Who is the current editor of <i>The Spectator</i> magazine?
	Frazer Nelson
31	Who directed the film <i>Everything Everywhere All at Once</i> ?
	Daniel Kwan and Daniel Scheinert (accept either surname, or The Daniels)



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32	Which film won the Oscar for Best Animated Feature (long – i.e. not short!) at the 2023 Academy Awards?
	Guillermo del Toro's Pinocchio
33	Who is the current editor of <i>The Guardian</i> newspaper?
	Katherine Viner
34	Who created and scripted the television shows <i>2point4 Children</i> , <i>Dad</i> , and <i>Health & Efficiency</i> , and was also the inspiration for Marvin the Paranoid Android in <i>The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy</i> ?
	Andrew Marshall
35	Who is the current Secretary of State for Scotland?
	Alistair Jack
36	Which UK newspaper was founded in 1821, and first published as <i>The New Observer</i> ?
	The Sunday Times
37	Who, in 1969, was the first presenter of BBC One's <i>Newsnight</i> ?
	Michael Barratt
38	What's the name of the bank, based in Santa Clara, California and focusing mainly on start-up and fin-tech companies, that failed on the 10th of March this year?
	Silicon Valley Bank (accept SVB)
39	Who had the shortest term in office as Prime Minister, before Liz Truss?
	George Canning – 119 days. (Truss achieved 49 days and was beaten by a lettuce; Canning died in office)
40	Who had the shortest term in office as President of the United States of America?
	William Henry Harrison (died after 32 days in office)
41	How many strings are there on a balalaika?
	Three
42	Which journalist, producer, and presenter of <i>Man Alive</i> , was married to Esther Rantzen?
	Desmond Wilcox (died in the year 2000, aged 69; Rantzen is still going)
43	Which magazine was first published in 1841 as <i>The London Charivari</i> ?
	Punch
44	Name one of the co-writers of <i>Inside No. 9</i> .
	Steve Pemberton or Reece Shearsmith
45	What is measured on the Schmitt index?
	The severity of pain from stings (on a scale of 1 to 4)
46	Which London borough was granted Royal status in the year of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee (2012)?
	Greenwich
47	Jazzman Artie Shaw was a virtuoso on which instrument?
	Clarinet



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48	In which film, now considered a classic <i>film noir</i> , did Robert Mitchum play a serial killer who poses as a preacher and charms an unsuspecting widow in order to get his hands on \$10,000 in stolen bank loot?
	Night of the Hunter
49	In swimming, at which Olympic games were individual butterfly events contested for the first time?
	Melbourne, 1956 (accept either)
50	The Australian composer Ron Grainer wrote the theme music to which long-running television sci-fi series?
	Doctor Who
51	How old was Tutankhamun when he died?
	18 (accept 17 or 19)
52	In which year did women over 21 get the vote in the UK?
	1928
53	The American actor Slim Pickens was best known from the 1950s to the 1980s for playing what kind of character?
	Cowboys
54	Ariana DeBose won the Best Supporting Actress Oscar in 2022, for her part in which film?
	West Side Story
55	Whose only novel, first published in 1963, was <i>The Bell Jar</i> ?
	Sylvia Plath
56	Which American boxer was nicknamed The Manassa Mauler?
	Jack Dempsey
57	Which farm animal is known as a stirk?
	A heifer of six to twelve months old (accept " young heifer ")
58	Which is Charles Dickens's last completed novel?
	Our Mutual Friend
59	Which UK sporting trophy is topped with a pineapple?
	The Wimbledon Men's Singles Championship Cup
60	Which big cats often hide their prey in trees?
	Leopards
61	Who was the sole survivor of the wreck of the <i>Pequod</i> ?
	Ishmael (in <i>Moby Dick</i>)
62	At which 21st-century Olympic games did Kelly Holmes win gold medals for both the 800 metres and the 1500 metres?
	Athens, 2004 (accept either)
63	Suffragette Emmeline Pankhurst had three daughters. Christabel and Adela were the oldest and youngest; who was her second-born?
	Sylvia



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64	William de Morgan (1839 to 1917) was an English craftsman, most famous for designing what highly-decorated items of pottery?
	Tiles
65	In which country was the artist Sidney Nolan born?
	Australia
66	How many years did the Siege of Troy last?
	Ten (accept eight to twelve)
67	Which US golfer came second in major tournaments a record nineteen times?
	Jack Nicklaus
68	A native of Australia, what kind of creature is a weka?
	A bird
69	In which European city are the headquarters of the World Trade Organisation?
	Geneva
70	Nurse Ratched was a character in which 1962 novel?
	One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
71	What word is used to refer to a female badger?
	Sow
72	In chemistry, what is deliquescence?
	The process whereby a substance takes in moisture from the air and forms a solution
73	How many letters are there in the Greek alphabet?
	24
74	Which Salford-born rock, blues and jazz singer was the vocalist in the band Vinegar Joe?
	Elkie Brooks
75	The fictional town of Clanton, Missouri, is the setting for several novels by which American author?
	John Grisham
76	Which fish is used in the Nordic dish <i>gravadlax</i> ?
	Salmon
77	Name either of the two Native American chiefs that led the defeat of General Custer at the Battle of the Little Bighorn in June 1879.
	Sitting Bull or Crazy Horse
78	What is the meaning of the Latin term <i>sui generis</i> ?
	Unique (literally ' of its own kind ')
79	Who was the host of ITV's <i>World of Sport</i> in the 1970s and 80s? He died in February this year.
	Dickie Davis
80	Which US politician is also known as 'the half-baked Alaskan'?
	Sarah Palin



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81	The Philippines have two official languages: English and Filipino. The latter is a standardised form of which Austronesian language?
	Tagalog
82	Who will succeed Sue Barker as the BBC's lead presenter at this year's Wimbledon Championships?
	Clare Balding
83	Which British author won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1907, and at 41 years is the youngest ever winner?
	Rudyard Kipling
84	What does the Welsh word <i>Heddlu</i> (<i>heth-lee</i>) mean in English?
	Police
85	In which English county is Gisburn Forest?
	Lancashire
86	On which Hawaiian island was a settlement established in 1866 for the treatment of leprosy?
	Molokai
87	Which horse won this year's Cheltenham Gold Cup?
	Galopin des Champs (ridden by Paul Townsend)
88	What is a potager?
	A cottage garden (from the French, <i>jardin potager</i> – meaning 'vegetables for the pot')
89	Who designed the High Level Bridge, which crosses the Tyne between Newcastle and Gateshead?
	Robert Stephenson (son of George – both names required)
90	In which English county is the town of Bletchley?
	Buckinghamshire
91	In the novel <i>The Witches of Eastwick</i> , by John Updike, in which US state is Eastwick?
	Rhode Island
92	Which Swedish physicist, who died in 1874, researched into solar radiation and the Aurora Borealis, and gave his name to a unit of length of one ten millionth of a millimetre?
	Anders Jonas Ångström
93	Which perennial yellow flowering shrub is named after a gardener to King George III?
	Forsythia (William Forsyth)
94	What's the capital city of Slovenia?
	Ljubljana
95	The name of which colour is the French word for a mole?
	Taupe
96	Which disease, common in childhood, is caused by inflammation of the parotid glands?
	Mumps

Supplementaries:

1	Lithology is the study of what?
	Rocks (it's a synonym of petrology; the prefix 'lith-' is derived from the Greek word for stone)
2	What is Bob the Builder's cat called?
	Pilchard
3	Who is Claudia Winkleman's journalist mother?
	Eve Pollard
4	What's the family name of the Dukes of Northumberland?
	Percy