

Mersey Summer Quiz League Set 01 by Bob Thompson Correct as at 7th March 2016

1	According to the story by Washington Irving who fell asleep in the Catskill Mountains for twenty years?	<i>Rip Van Winkle</i>
2	Which brewing company founded in 1777 has the oldest registered trademark in Great Britain? It was the first trademark to be registered under the Trade Mark Registration Act 1875.	<i>Bass</i>
3	'The Collector', a 1963 novel by John Fowles was made into a film in 1965 in which Terence Stamp played Frederick Clegg a lonely young man who collected . . . what?	<i>Butterflies</i>
4	Which Prime Minister opened the final segment of the M25 motorway?	<i>Margaret Thatcher (1986)</i>
5	Which composer wrote the music used for the national anthem of Germany?	<i>Joseph Haydn</i>
6	Which painter and pop artist designed the cover of the Beatles' album commonly referred to as 'The White Album' though its correct title is 'The Beatles'?	<i>Richard Hamilton</i>
7	Consisting of 24 prestigious members the Russell Group is a collection of what type of institution?	<i>Universities</i>
8	In 1916 the United States purchased the US Virgin Islands from which country?	<i>Denmark</i>
9	Which children's board game began life as 'Moksha-Patamu' a Hindu game used to teach children about the religion with the squares on the board representing good and bad?	<i>Snakes and Ladders</i>
10	What is the connection between an English south coast town, two Scottish rugby playing brothers and a fictional character created by Agatha Christie, assistant to Hercules Poirot?	<i>Hastings (Gavin and Scott – Capt. Arthur Hastings)</i>
11	Who wrote the plays 'Blood Brothers', 'Educating Rita' and 'One For The Road'?	<i>Willy Russell</i>
12	Which English philosopher and scientist of the 13 th century has the sobriquet 'Doctor Mirabilis'?	<i>Roger Bacon</i>
13	What does the 'F' stand for in the name of the government department DEFRA?	<i>Food (Dep for Environment Food and Rural Affairs)</i>
14	The prefix BWV followed by the work's number is shorthand for the compositions of which composer?	<i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>
15	In 2001 the Royal Mail changed its name. It proved extremely unpopular and the following year the name was changed back to Royal Mail. What was the short lived unpopular name?	<i>Consignia</i>
16	Which English aesthetic movement associated with William Morris and Edward Burne-Jones and others grew out of disenchantment at the mass-produced decorative arts that followed the industrial revolution?	<i>Arts And Crafts</i>
17	Fifty Shilling Tailors, a shop chain founded in Leeds in 1905 by Henry Price grew to some 399 stores by 1958 when it was sold to United Drapery Stores (UDS). What name was this outfitters given following the takeover?	<i>John Collier</i>
18	The M26 US Army tank used during World War II was named after which General of the Armies who led the American Expeditionary Force in Europe during World War I?	<i>John J Pershing</i>
19	Which English city stands on the site of the Roman settlement of Glevum?	<i>Gloucester</i>
20	Which three letter word in common use for the female of other types of animal is used to describe the females of crabs and lobsters?	<i>Hen</i>
21	What is the stage name of rapper Timothy Mosley?	<i>Timbaland</i>
22	Which cape on the west coast of Galicia, Spain was thought to be the end of the known world in Roman times and takes its name from the Latin for 'land's end'?	<i>Finnisterre</i>

23	In physics and geometry what word describes a curve that an idealized hanging chain or cable assumes under its own weight when supported only at its ends?	Catenary
24	Which team won the Scottish FA Cup in 2015? It was the first time they had won the competition.	Inverness Caledonian Thistle
25	Which street in London's Moorfields district that was famous for its impoverished writers and aspiring poets is now a pejorative term for hack writers and writing of low literary value?	Grub Street
26	In May 2015 who became the first British boxer to win a world title after winning an Olympic gold medal while representing Great Britain?	James De Gale
27	What nationality is Samantha Cristoforetti who returned to Earth in June 2015 after 200 days in space setting a new record for a woman?	Italian
28	Which political term was coined following the reproduction of a cartoon in the Boston Gazette in 1812? It featured the Governor who had approved legislation to create oddity	Gerrymander (Governor Eldridge Gerry)
29	Who is the only person to have won an Oscar for both acting and writing?	Emma Thompson
30	Rudie van Vuuren holds the unique distinction of being the only man to have appeared in the final stages of the cricket and rugby world cups. He is an international for which country?	Namibia
31	Italian restaurateur Caesar Cardini is credited with the creation of which dish in Tijuana, Mexico in 1924?	Caesar Salad
32	Arco is a direction in music for string instruments to indicate to the performer that the passage should be played in what manner?	With the bow
33	Born A. S. Dileep Kumar he has earned the nickname 'The Mozart of Madras: who won awards for his score for the film 'Slumdog Millionaire'?	A. R. Rahman
34	'Let It Bleed', 'Black And Blue' and 'Beggar's Banquet' are all titles of Rolling Stones' albums. They are also all titles of books by which British crime writer?	Ian Rankin
35	Harvey Keitel has reprised the role of his Pulp Fiction character Winston Wolf in a series of adverts for which insurance company?	Direct Line
36	Which director of films such as 'Bride Of The Monster' 1955 and 'Jail Bait' 1954 died in 1980 and two years later won the accolade 'Worst Director Of All Time'? In 1994 he was the subject of a biopic by Tim Burton in which he was played by Johnny Depp.	Ed Wood
37	Usually painted red, the K6 model designed by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott is considered a British cultural icon. What is it?	Telephone Box
38	What is the surname of Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy, the children in 'The Lion The Witch And The Wardrobe'?	Pevensie
39	Born around 1514 which clergyman, a leader of the Scottish Reformation, is considered to be the founder of Presbyterianism in Scotland?	John Knox
40	Florence Nightingale was born on 12 th May 1820 into a rich, upper class, well connected British family in which city?	Florence
41	After the release of the film 'Titanic' in 1997 which actress was dubbed by one newspaper 'the sinking man's crumpet'?	Kate Winslet
42	In which state is the geographical centre of the contiguous states of the United States of America?	Kansas
43	According to the theme song 'He's the greatest, he's fantastic, wherever there is danger he'll be there'. Who will?	Dangermouse
44	What is the name of the single or double bladed two handled curved kitchen knife used for chopping herbs or in a larger form for cutting pizzas?	Mezzaluna
45	Which All Black gave his winners medal to young fan Charlie Lines after the 2015 Rugby World Cup Final?	Sonny Bill Williams

46	Which American composer who died in a plane crash in June 2015 won two Oscars for his work on the film 'Titanic', one for best original score and one for best song, "My Heart Will Go On", shared with lyricist Will Jennings?	James Horner
47	Which castle on the coast of Scotland between Thurso and John O'Groats was bought by Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in 1952?	Castle of Mey
48	He was born Jean François Gravelet in 1824 and is buried in Kensal Green Cemetery. He performed his most famous stunt on the USA-Canada border. How is he better known?	Charles Blondin (Tightrope walker)
49	Huntsman cheese is made by sandwiching a layer of which English cheese between two layers of Double Gloucester?	Stilton
50	Which Shakespeare play revolves around the dilemma of Isabella, a novice nun, whose brother is to be executed unless she succumbs to the attentions of Angelo?	Measure For Measure
51	Sussex Pond Pudding is a traditional English pudding that contains which fruit?	(A whole) Lemon
52	What name is given to the northernmost arm of the Baltic Sea between Sweden and Finland?	Gulf of Bothnia
53	Which British prime minister was responsible for the British purchase of almost half of the shares in the new Suez Canal Company?	Benjamin Disraeli
54	Which type of reed organ, widely used in smaller churches and in private homes in the 19th century, was developed by Alexandre Debain in Paris in the early 1840s?	Harmonium
55	Who wrote the words and music for the 1979 musical 'Sweeny Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street'?	Steven Sondheim
56	Who was proclaimed Prince of Wales in 1400 and instigated a revolt against the rule of Henry IV?	Owain Glyndwr
57	In 1936 who became the first woman to be named Time Magazine 'Man Of The Year'?	Wallis Simpson
58	In a standard pack of playing cards which suit could be described as cordate?	Hearts
59	British politics; who was the first elected leader of the Social Democratic Party?	Roy Jenkins
60	It was originally officially called the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England, by what common two word name is this executive non-departmental public body of the British government now known?	English Heritage
61	In 1959 Alaska and Hawaii became the forty-ninth and fiftieth states to join the United States of America. Name any one of the three other states to join the Union during the twentieth century?	Oklahoma (1907) Arizona (1912) New Mexico (1912)
62	What is the common name for the white frothy liquid produced on plants by the larvae of the froghopper insect?	Cuckoo spit
63	Which member of the House of Lords and sometime television documentary presenter is Professor of Science and Society and Emeritus Professor of Fertility Studies at Imperial College London?	Robert (Lord) Winston
64	Which English artist born 1787 and died 1849 is best known for his history paintings of nude figures? His works include 'Cleopatra's Arrival In Cilicia' and 'Hero And Leander'	. William Etty
65	Director Roger Vadim, politician Tom Hayden and media mogul Ted Turner have all been married to which actress?	Jane Fonda
66	Which US technology company was founded in 1994 as Jerry and David's Guide to the World Wide Web by Jerry Yang and David Filo?	Yahoo!
67	Also a type of building; the London Underground and Paris Metro both have stations with what name?	Temple

68	Who was appointed US Attorney General in April 2015 and came to world wide attention as the driving force behind the detention of FIFA officials in connection with racketeering, fraud and money laundering charges?	Loretta Lynch
69	Who is the only singer to represent the United Kingdom for two consecutive years at the Eurovision Song Contest?	Ronnie Carroll (1962 and 1963)
70	What was the first name of the older brother of Walt Disney who was a co-founder with Walt of the Walt Disney Company?	Roy

Spare Questions

1	When scoring for Arsenal in the 2015 win over Aston Villa Alexis Sanchez became the second Chilean to score in an FA Cup final. Who was the first?	George Robledo (Newcastle Utd 1952)
2	Which Hollywood actress was photographer Cecil Beaton referring to when he wrote, 'She romps, she squeals with delight, she leaps onto the sofa. It is an artless impromptu, high-spirited, infectious gay performance. It will probably end in tears'?	Marilyn Monroe
3	With which musical instrument do you associate Bela Fleck, Earl Scruggs, Barney MacKenna and Pete Seegar?	Banjo
4	In 1866 it became the first narrow gauge railway in Britain to carry passengers by steam haulage. In 1951 it became the first railway in the world to be preserved as a heritage railway by volunteers. Which Welsh railway it is?	Talylyn Railway
5	The funeral of which British monarch was described by historian Barbara Tuchman as 'the greatest assemblage of royalty and rank ever gathered in one place and, of its kind, the last'?	Edward VII