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Merseyside Summer Quiz League Questions set by Bob Thompson February 2015 Quiz ref: MSQL01

1	On a standard British version Monopoly board which is the first property square in the direction of play?	<i>Old Kent Road</i>
2	Which Australian born disc jockey who found fame on British radio was nicknamed 'Fluff'?	<i>Alan Freeman</i>
3	Built between 1705 and 1722 to a design by Sir John Vanburgh with grounds landscaped by Capability Brown which building was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987?	<i>Blenheim Palace</i>
4	What two word term is used to describe an outgoing US president between the election in November and the start of the new president's term in January of the following year?	<i>Lame duck</i>
5	Which university was formed in 1966 from a College of Advanced Technology situated in Gosta Green, Birmingham?	<i>Aston University</i>
6	In Greek mythology what is the name of the youth who fell in love with his own reflection?	<i>Narcissus</i>
7	The Canadian province of Ontario has a shoreline on all of the Great Lakes except one; which one?	<i>Lake Michigan</i>
8	On December 27 th 2014 who became the first Premier League manager to be sacked during the 2014-15 season?	<i>Neil Warnock (Crystal Palace)</i>
9	The title character of which children's television series lives with his friends on Mossy Bottom Farm?	<i>Shaun the Sheep</i>
10	The Katie Melua song 'Faraway Voice' from her first album 'Call Off The Search' is about the death of which American singer?	<i>Eva Cassidy</i>
11	In the periodic table of elements which gas at number 86 has the highest number of any gas?	<i>Radon</i>
12	Which 'school' of painting whose exponents included George Luks, John Sloan and Robert Henri was preoccupied with depicting the low life of New York in the early twentieth century?	<i>Ashcan School</i>
13	Which gas is used in crisp packets to give the contents a longer shelf life?	<i>Nitrogen</i>
14	Which American band leader was known as 'The King of Hi De Ho'?	<i>Cab Calloway</i>
15	The delta of the river Danube is the second largest in Europe; it is shared by two countries. The smallest section is in Ukraine; in which country is by far the largest part of the delta?	<i>Romania</i>
16	What is the name of the Irish rugby union second string international side, the equivalent of the England Saxons?	<i>Irish Wolfhounds</i>
17	Which British actor, born 1902 died 1983 and knighted in 1947 before Olivier and Gielgud, earned a posthumous Academy Award nomination for his final film 'Greystoke'?	<i>Ralph Richardson</i>
18	Which fruit, cream and meringue dessert is named after a ballerina?	<i>Pavlova</i>
19	What is the title of the tenth and last Adrian Mole book by Sue Townsend published in 2009?	<i>Adrian Mole: The Prostate Years</i>
20	Which businessman and inventor, a co-founder of PayPal, Tesla Motors and founder of Space-X, was once described by the New York Times as 'Tony Stark without the Iron Man suit'?	<i>Elon Musk</i>
21	Which film and musical set in north east England during the 1980s Miner's Strike tells the story of the son of a miner who has aspirations to become a ballet dancer?	<i>Billy Elliott</i>
22	Which king collapsed in Westminster Abbey in 1413 and died in its Jerusalem Chamber fulfilling a chivalric prophecy that he would die 'in Jerusalem'?	<i>Henry IV</i>
23	What type of farm has Anne Widdecombe described as, 'Vast, ugly, inefficient bird-mashing'?	<i>Wind farm</i>
24	Which song by Procul Harum shares its title with a town in Germany and a felt hat popularised in England by Edward VII?	<i>Homburg</i>
25	The fifty year old teddy bear Alan Measles is associated with which Turner Prize winning artist?	<i>Grayson Perry</i>
26	Designed in 1969 the logo of Spanish confectionary company Chupa Chups is the work of which artist?	<i>Salvador Dali</i>
27	Virgin Hotels opened its first hotel in January 2015 in which US city?	<i>Chicago</i>
28	In a three core electric cable what colour or colours is the earth?	<i>Green and Yellow</i>
29	As well as appearing alongside Peter Sellers in the Pink Panther films which actor was best man at all of Peter Sellers' weddings?	<i>Graham Stark</i>
30	Which old word for an ant is commonly applied by locals to tourists and holidaymakers	<i>Emmet</i>

31	Who is this? An English composer born in 1905 his works include the oratorio 'A Child Of Our Time' and the opera 'The Midsummer Marriage'. He was a pacifist and was imprisoned in 1943 for refusing to carry out war related duties.	<i>Sir Michael Tippett</i>
32	Who designed the Menai Suspension Bridge?	<i>Thomas Telford</i>
33	Which group of islands shares its name with a style of shorts that originated in the British army for wearing in tropical and desert climates?	<i>Bermuda</i>
34	Which Malaysian born actress is the partner of FIA President and former Ferrari manager Jean Todt?	<i>Michelle Yeoh</i>
35	Which pop duo consists of Swedish sisters Johanna and Klara Soderberg and had a 2014 album entitled 'Stay Gold'?	<i>First Aid Kit</i>
36	John Hinckley made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate which US president?	<i>Ronald Reagan</i>
37	Which British artist who produced twelve murals for Manchester Town Hall was a tutor of Dante Gabriel Rossetti and has a Weatherspoon's pub named after him?	<i>Ford Madox Brown</i>
38	American Football. Which NFL side is owned by Microsoft founder Paul Allen?	<i>Seattle Seahawks</i>
39	What is the name of the character played by Joanna Lumley in the television comedy 'Absolutely Fabulous'?	<i>Patsy Stone</i>
40	In architecture what name is given to a grotesque carving projecting from the gutter of building used as a spout?	<i>Gargoyle</i>
41	The 'Anglo Saxon Chronicles', the basis of almost all of our knowledge of the period after the Venerable Bede's 'Ecclesiastical History of the English People', was compiled on orders of which king?	<i>Alfred the Great</i>
42	On the first day of 2015 the most searched for name on Google was that of Adam Lambert a vocalist who had been seen the night before on BBC One singing with which group?	<i>Queen</i>
43	Which British based shoe designer was born in the Canary Islands in 1942 of a Spanish mother and Czech father?	<i>Manuel 'Manolo' Blahnik</i>
44	The company IAG (International Airlines Group) was created in 2011 through the merger of British Airways with which other airline?	<i>Iberia</i>
45	Le Jog is an acronym used for the journey between which two mainland British places?	<i>Land's End-John O'Groats</i>
46	Who played the part of Rita in the 1983 film 'Educating Rita'?	<i>Julie Walters</i>
47	In Russian cuisine what name is given to the thin pancakes made with wheat or buckwheat flour that are classically topped with sour cream and caviar?	<i>Blini</i>
48	Who wrote the 'Faraway Tree' books, a series of four adventures of three children Joe, Bessie and Fanny who discover an enchanted wood at the bottom of their garden?	<i>Enid Blyton</i>
49	At which battle of the Wars of the Roses was Richard Neville, Earl of Warwick killed?	<i>Battle of Barnet</i>
50	Which brand of kitchen appliance was advertised by the slogan 'The appliance of science'?	<i>Zanussi</i>
51	The American television character Archie Bunker was based on which English television character?	<i>Alf Garnett</i>
52	The Xerox 914 using a process invented by American physicist Chester Carlson was the first modern version of what type of office machine?	<i>Photocopier</i>
53	A clenched fist logo and the motto 'Keep the faith' are associated with which style of music?	<i>Northern Soul</i>
54	Darrell Winfield a former ranch hand from Oklahoma who died aged 85 in January 2015 became a familiar face from the early 1960s advertising which product for more than 20 years?	<i>Marlboro cigarettes (known as the Marlboro Man)</i>
55	A rare green coloured comet that made a close approach to Earth in early 2015 shares its name with which television series based around the antiques business?	<i>Lovejoy</i>
56	Tamar, Severn, Trent, Tyne and Mersey are all classes of boat operated by which organization?	<i>RNLI – Royal National Lifeboat Institution</i>
57	Who is this? A Northampton and England rugby union player; he appeared in the 2014 Christmas Eve edition of Hollyoaks and is married to singer Una Healy of 'The Saturdays'?	<i>Ben Foden</i>
58	Which American multinational computer software company shares its name with a type of mud brick?	<i>Adobe</i>
59	Which Conservative Peer and former Cabinet Minister is (as at February 2015) the sole surviving member of Winston Churchill's last government?	<i>Lord Carrington</i>
60	What word can mean a long thin loaf of bread or a type of cut used on diamonds?	<i>Baguette</i>

61	Which hymn first published in 1931 with words by Eleanor Farjeon and set to a traditional Scottish tune was a top ten hit single for Cat Stevens in 1972?	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>
62	Released in the Autumn of 2014 what is the name of Apple's latest operating system for its Macintosh computers?	<i>Yosemite</i>
63	Who once said, 'If you lived in Sheffield and were called Sebastian you had to learn to run fast at a very early age'?	<i>Lord (Sebastian) Coe</i>
64	Which infectious disease is transmitted by ticks and is named after a town in Connecticut, USA, where an outbreak occurred in 1975?	<i>Lyme disease</i>
65	Who is this? Now a BBC Radio 6 Music presenter she has published a novel; been a member of the pop group Kenickie and performed vocals on Mint Royale's minor hit 'Don't Falter'.	<i>Lauren Laverne</i>
66	The playing of which game was described by the writer Sir Walter Scott as 'a sad waste of brains'?	<i>Chess</i>
67	Found in Buddhist temples in Japan what is/are Bonshō?	<i>(Large) Bell</i>
68	Verdigris forms on the surface of objects containing which metallic element?	<i>Copper</i>
69	The 1824 painting 'The Battle of Trafalgar' is the largest painting and only royal commission by which artist?	<i>J. M. W. Turner</i>
70	Jörn Donner a veteran politician, actor, director and producer is the only person from which country to win an Oscar? He did so for his work on 'Fanny And Alexander' with Ingmar Bergman.	<i>Finland</i>
<i>Spare Questions</i>		
1	Which fashion designer, noted for his work with fashion brand Gucci, directed the Oscar nominated film 'A Single Man'?	<i>Tom Ford</i>
2	Cricket. Who is the only player to score a century and take ten wickets, including a hat-trick, in the same test match?	<i>Betty Wilson (For Aus v Eng 1958)</i>
3	In which part of the United Kingdom are dog licenses still required?	<i>Northern Ireland</i>
4	The makers of which 1969 film acquired 50 Messerschmitts, 32 Heinkels and 33 Spitfires and Hurricanes making their 'airforce' the 35 th largest in the world?	<i>Battle of Britain</i>
5	A mini has three peaks, 100gram has 12 peaks, 200gram has 15 peaks, 400gram has 15 peaks and 750gram has 17 peaks. What is it?	<i>Toblerone bar</i>