

2016 Season MERSEYSIDE SUMMER QUIZ LEAGUE Set 2

Questions set by Ken Owen. Correct as at 31st March 2016

1	Coined by Lewis Carroll, what is the name for combining 2 words, eg chillax, infomercial?	PORTMANTEAU
2	In the four years from 2002 to 2005 inclusive, the New England Patriots won three of the four Superbowls; which team interrupted their run?	TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS 2003
3	What is the more colloquial name we use for what are known in Japan as Shinkansen?	BULLET TRAINS
4	Of people currently shown on English banknotes, apart from ER II, which one did <i>not</i> die in the 19 th century?	ADAM SMITH (1790,£20)
5	In an emergency, we dial 999; what other number can we use, valid throughout the EU?	112
6	What is the name of Princess Anne's country home?	GATCOMBE PARK
7	The Last Diaries: In and Out of the Wilderness (2003) were written by which Conservative politician, infamous as a serial philanderer ?	ALAN CLARK
8	Eugenie Bouchard lost in the ladies' final at Wimbledon 2014; what nationality is she?	CANADIAN
9	What may be produced by a baker, used by a particular musician, or held by certain athletes?	BATON
10	Asil Nadir returned from Cyprus in 2010 to be found guilty of stealing over £26 million from his company; what was its name?	POLLY PECK
11	The word davenport is used for two different pieces of furniture – one is a writing desk, what is the other?	SOFA
12	President Kennedy was shot on 22 nd November 1963; what day of the week was it?	FRIDAY
13	The piece of classical music <i>The Hebrides Overture</i> is known by what alternative name?	FINGAL'S CAVE
14	What is the Chinese name for a spicy dumpling containing minced pork, esp served in soup?	WONTON
15	Former Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie won which medal for his actions in WWII, when rescuing an unconscious soldier from a blazing tank whilst under enemy fire?	MILITARY CROSS
16	The rock band Kasabian were formed in which English town or city in 1997?	LEICESTER
17	What sport would you expect to see at Sabina Park?	CRICKET (Kingston, Jamaica)
18	As the Soviet Union split apart, the leader of Romania, Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife were shot by firing squad on Christmas Day 1989. What was his wife's first name?	ELENA
19	What is the name for the collection of 11 stories from ancient Welsh mythology; some may date back to the Iron Age? An English translation was first published in the 19 th century.	MABINOIGION
20	Which A road crosses the Thames over London Bridge?	
A3	21 Atlas, swallowtail and peppered are all varieties of which insect?	MOTH
22	What six-letter word might apply in descriptions of equipment, or part of equipment, used in gymnastics, equestrianism, and fencing?	POMMEL (Pommel horse, a saddle, a sword's hilt)
23	In film-making, which four letter word describes the technique of a change of scene, in which a line moves across the screen, obliterating the old scene and revealing the new one?	WIPE
24	The Roman provinces of Bithynia and Cilicia were in which modern day country?	TURKEY
25	Which Italian physicist experimented in passing electrical impulses through the legs of dead frogs; they twitched, showing that electrical energy is behind muscle movement?	[LUIGI] GALVANI

26	The publisher Felix Dennis was one time editor of the London version of which underground alternative magazine, first published in Sydney, Australia, in 1963?	OZ
27	What is the name of the robot in the Confused.com ads, who wants to save you pounds?	BRIAN
28	Sir Steve Redgrave won five Olympic gold medals; who was his partner when he won his second one, for the coxless pair?	ANDY HOLMES (1988)
29	As America expanded westward, in 1843, 900 wagons set out on what was called the Great Migration; what was the name of the route they took?	THE OREGON TRAIL
30	In the Star Trek fictional universe, which invented chemical element serves as a controlling agent in the faster-than-light warp drive?	DILITHIUM
31	In the Middle Ages, what was a <i>destrier</i> ?	(Knight's war-)HORSE
32	Which language, with over 60 million native speakers, is concentrated in Southern India and Sri Lanka?	TAMIL
33	How many letter cubes are there in the standard version of the word game Boggle?	16
34	Jenny Pitman has trained two Grand National winners; Corbiere and which other?	ROYAL ATHLETE
35	Five countries in North Africa have shorelines on the Mediterranean; which is smallest?	TUNISIA
36	What is the two word name for a type of beard which is actually just a small area of hair directly under the bottom lip?	SOUL PATCH (or) JAZZ DOT
37	In wrestling, which is used for a move of applying pressure to the nerves of the neck, which may cause loss of consciousness?	SLEEPER
38	Actually a trade-marked name, which word is used to describe the water-absorbent blocks of spongy foam, often green, used in flower arranging to fix displays in place?	OASIS
39	Which act was at No 1 for nine weeks in 2006 with <i>Crazy</i> ?	GNARLS BARKLEY
40	Who wrote the poem <i>Dover Beach</i> ?	MATTHEW ARNOLD
41	Whose books include volumes of his newspaper columns, subtitled <i>For Crying Out Loud</i> , <i>How Hard Can It be</i> , and <i>Is It Really Too Much To Ask</i> ?	JEREMY CLARKSON
42	Manuka is a variety of which foodstuff?	HONEY
43	Name in full the British pilot who, in 1997, drove the first car to break the sound barrier. ANDY GREEN	
44	Which rapper was killed by an unknown assailant in a drive-by shooting in LA in 1997?	NOTORIOUS B I G (accept Biggie Smalls or Christopher Wallace)
45	What publication was founded in 1991 by John Bird?	BIG ISSUE
46	Columbus made four voyages to the Americas; on his final one, he was shipwrecked on which island, there for more than a year before returning to Spain, dying 18 months later?	JAMAICA
47	What is the name for a small round dish, like a mini casserole dish, used, for example, for making an individual soufflé or crème brûlée?	RAMEKIN [DISH]
48	Who said, in a poem, "a little learning is a dangerous thing"?	(Alexander) POPE
49	What is the world's busiest canal – it's not Suez or Panama?	KIEL CANAL
50	Name in full Mick Jagger's girl-friend, who committed suicide in March 2014. L'WREN SCOTT	
51	Which word is used for the process of turning into or forming soap?	SAPONIFICATION
52	Name Michael Jackson's second posthumous album, his tenth UK Number 1, released in 2014.	XSCAPE
53	The flag of Hong Kong features a stylized white, five-petal flower in the centre of a red field. What sort of flower is it?	AN ORCHID

54	What term describes the type of doors on some performance cars, which hinge at the top, not sides, so they pop up, rather than swing sideways? Examples include the De Lorean.	GULLWING DOORS
55	The MMU is an astronaut propulsion unit that was used by NASA on three Space Shuttle missions in 1984. For what do the initials stand?	MANNED MANOEUVRING UNIT
56	Which herb gets its name from the Greek word for “kingly”, as it was so highly valued around the Mediterranean for its strong flavour?	BASIL
57	Which Shakespeare play features the phrase “Jog on, jog on”?	A WINTER’S TALE
58	Within a year either way, in which year did Page 3 girls first appear in <i>The Sun</i> ?	1970 (1969-1971)
59	What name do Americans give to what we call a drawing pin?	THUMB TACK
60	Associated with Kent, what in nature has the technical name <i>Humulus lupulus</i> ?	HOP
61	The French phrase “haute école”, meaning “high school”, might apply to what activity?	HORSE-RIDING (DRESSAGE)
62	Ancient Rome’s Appian Way ran from Rome to which port city?	BRINDISI
63	A city in which European nation was the first to sell Africans as slaves, in 1441?	PORTUGAL [Lisbon]
64	The first five books of the OT form the Pentateuch; what collective name applies to the last twelve books of the OT?	MINOR PROPHETS
65	The Moulin Rouge nightclub is in which district of Paris?	PIGALLE
66	Which Scottish football team are nicknamed the Blue Brazil?	COWDENBEATH
67	Enjoy rhubarb, but don’t eat the leaves, they will poison you. They contain which acid?	OXALIC
68	You may find an SD card in your mobile, camera or tablet; what does SD stand for?	SECURE DIGITAL
69	In the opera <i>Turandot</i> , there are three riddles; what is the one-word solution to the one which asks “what is born each night and dies each dawn”?	HOPE
70	Someone from France is French; what is the correct term for someone from Monaco? The name must be accurate.	MONÉGASQUE

Spare Questions

1	Stowe is a public school in which English county?	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
2	Which artist painted a self-portrait <i>Son of Man</i> , showing him in his customary bowler hat?	(René) MAGRITTE
3	In terms of geography and world economics, what are “remittance flows”?	MONIES SENT HOME BY MIGRANT WORKERS
4	Which band had three No 1 hits in 2009, with <i>Boom Boom Pow</i> , <i>I Gotta Feeling</i> , and <i>Meet Me Halfway</i> ?	BLACK EYED PEAS
5	The Khalsa Army (1801-1849) was the military force of which Empire?	SIKH