

This week's quiz is set by the Merchants, we do hope that it's enjoyable, balanced and not too specific.

1. FIRE

There is a reference to fire in every question or answer.

- 1a. 'Firestarter' was a controversial hit for which band in 1996?
The Prodigy
- 1b. Which group had a hit in 1979 with 'Boogie Wonderland'?
Earth, Wind And Fire
- 2a. Which Ray Bradbury novel takes its title from the temperature at which paper spontaneously catches fire?
Fahrenheit 451
- 2b. In Greek mythology, who is sentenced to eternal torment as punishment for stealing fire from the gods?
Prometheus
- 3a. In the television show, what is Fireman Sam's home town?
Pontypandy
- 3b. What is the common name for methane trapped in coal that is detected by the Davy safety lamp?
Fire Damp
- 4a. On 17 December 2010, the street vendor Mohamed Bouazizi doused himself in petrol and set himself alight as a protest against official harassment – an event that became a catalyst for the Arab Spring. In which country did this happen?
Tunisia
- 4b. What name is given to the blue-green electrical discharge sometimes seen during thunderstorms around ships' masts and aircraft wing-tips?
St Elmo's Fire

Spare

In which year of the 1990s – described by the Queen as her *annus horribilis* – did fire break out in Windsor Castle?

1992

2. Formula One

- 1a. The Australian Grand Prix takes place in Melbourne, of which state is Melbourne the capital
Victoria
- 1b. Manama is the capital city of which Grand Prix country
Bahrain
- 2a. What currency would you use at the Suzuka Grand Prix
Yen
- 2b. The United States Grand Prix is held in the state capital of Texas, where is it
Austin

3a. Which grand prix is the basis for a film starring Peter Cook, Dudley Moore, Terry Thomas, Tony Curtis, Eric Sykes and Hattie Jacques

Monte Carlo or Bust (accept Monaco)

3b. A film about which racing driver won the 2011 Bafta for best documentary

Senna

4a. In which city does the Brazilian Grand Prix take place.

Sao Paulo

4b. The Spanish Grand Prix takes place at the Circuit de Catalunya, which is the closest city?

Barcelona

Spare

The Circuit Gilles Villeneuve is in which country

Canada

3. Eponymous

1a. In TV, what is the first name of Lieutenant Columbo

Frank (accept Philip)

1b. What is the first name of the Doctor House in the TV series.

Gregory

2a. The Conner family were at the centre of which eponymous American comedy series that ran from 1988 - 1997.

Roseanne

2b. What is the surname of Buffy in the TV Series Buffy the Vampire Slayer.

Summers

3a. Who's law of physics states that the upward buoyant force exerted on a body immersed in a fluid is equal to the weight of the fluid the body displaces.

Archimedes

3b. Who's thought experiment presents the scenario that a cat might be alive or dead, depending on an earlier random event

Shrodinger

4a. Who's observation that over the history of computing hardware, the number of transistors on integrated circuits doubles approximately every two years

Moore

4b. Who's law states that every point mass in the universe attracts every other point mass with a force that is directly proportional to the product of their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them.

Newton

Spare

By who's name is the AK-47 commonly known

Kalashnikov

4. Bears and their Friends

1A. On 4th December 2011, two large ursine visitors arrived in the UK for a 10 year stay. Where do they live?

Edinburgh Zoo

1B. Where are the Winnie the Pooh stories set?

Hundred Acre Wood

2A. Which spectacled bear lives at 32 Windsor Gardens?

Paddington

2B. Which boiled sweet has used Peppy the Polar Bear as its mascot since 1922?

Fox's Glacier Mints

3A. The koala is often referred to as a bear. To what group of mammals does it actually belong?

Marsupials

3B. Which small mammal, native to the Himalayas and with a type of bear in its name, is actually more closely related to racoons, skunks and weasels?

Red Panda

4A. Which aged Simpsons character has a beloved teddy bear named Bobo?

Mr Burns

4B. What is the collective term for a group of bears (usually grizzly or brown bears)?

Sloth or Sleuth

Spares

What is the name of the bear who befriends Mowgli in The Jungle Book?

Baloo

5. Picture Round - Men in Hats (See Appendix 1)

1a. 2

Vitalstatistix

1b. 5

Professor Calculus

2a. 4

Angus Young

2b. 10

Slash (or Saul Hudson)

3a. 3

50 Cent (or Curtis Jackson III)

3b. 7

Jay-Z (or Shawn Carter)

4a. 8

Jensen Button

4b. 9

Amir Khan

Spare

1 David **Millar**

6 Ian **Thorpe**

6. Women in sport

First half: in Britain

- 1a. Who was the last British woman to win a tennis Grand Slam title?

Virginia Wade

- 1b. Which British woman is a current outdoor athletics world record holder?

Paula Radcliffe

- 2a. Which successful British swimmer became the first person to break a world record at London's aquatics centre?

Ellie Simmonds

- 2b. In what sport did Charlotte Dujardin win two golds at London 2012?

Dressage (accept **equestrianism** but not horse riding)

Second half: in world sport

- 3a. Swimmer Natalie du Toit was the first amputee ever to qualify for the Summer Olympics. What country does she represent?

South Africa

- 3b. Dutch woman Marianne Vos is current Olympic gold medallist and world champion in what sport?

Road Cycling/Road Racing

- 4a. Elena Isinbayeva is the pole vault world record. What is her record, to within plus or minus 10cm?

5.06m (accept 4.96m – 5.16m)

- 4b. Between them, how many times have Venus and Serena Williams won Wimbledon? Accept one either way.

10 (accept 9-11)

Spare:

9. Which sport did Baroness Heyhoe Flint play?

Cricket

7. The Simpsons

- 1a. Which actor played Sideshow Bob on the Simpsons and also starred in the TV Show Frasier

Kelsey Grammer

- 1b. Which rock star and his wife helped Lisa Simpson to become a vegetarian

Paul and Linda **McCartney**

- 2a. Who's book The Grand Design which argues that god is not necessary to explain the origins of the universe has appeared as himself on the Simpsons

Stephen Hawking

- 2b. Which actor reprised his role as Robin to appear in the Simpsons

Burt Ward

- 3a. The actor who plays Jack Bauer in another TV series has appeared 3 times on the Simpsons, who is he?

Keifer Sutherland

- 3b. The actor who provided the voice for Darth Vader has also appeared 3 times on the Simpsons, who is he?

James Earl Jones

- 4a. This band have guested on the Simpsons and had a hit with Walk This Way (it later also became a hit for Run DMC)

Aerosmith

- 4b. This band have also guested on the Simpsons, their first three albums were called Boy, October and War

U2

Spare

This guest on the Simpsons wrote and appeared in the Office and Extras

Ricky Gervais

8. SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES

Every question or answer contains a reference to smoke or smoking.

- 1a. In which year of the 2000s did the ban on smoking in enclosed workplaces (including pubs and restaurants) in England come into force (accept one year either way)?

2007

- 1b. Who was the founder member of the 1960s soul band The Miracles?

Smokey Robinson

- 2a. Complete the slogan from the 1950s advertising campaign that featured a lonely smoker: 'You're never alone with a'

Strand

- 2b. '*I am smoking a fag!!*' was a catchphrase for which 1990s comic character played by Kathy Burke on the Harry Enfield Television Programme?

(Waynetta) **Slob**

- 3a. 'Smoking man', also known as 'Cancer Man', was a recurring villain in which science fiction TV drama of the 1990s?

The X-Files.

- 3b. Which fictional character prides himself on being able to identify 140 different kinds of tobacco ash?

Sherlock Holmes

- 4a. Darrell Winfield was better known as which iconic figure in the world of cigarette advertizing?

Malboro Man (accept the Malboro Cowboy)

- 4b. 'When I was in England, I experimented with marijuana a time or two, and I didn't like it, and I didn't inhale, and I never tried again' – these were the words of which eminent politician in 1992?

Bill Clinton

Spare

'Cigarettes and Alcohol' was a top ten hit in 1994 for which British band?

Oasis