

Set by Blue Anchor B (Bolton-le-Sands)

Required answers are in BOLD CAPITALS

Tonight's quiz is a brief history of time - (*nb. Two or three part questions balance out over the quiz*)**ROUND ONE: SECONDS**

- 1A** How much is a second class stamp? **50 PENCE**
- 1B** What does the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution entitle the people to do?
Keep and **BEAR ARMS**
- 2A** If cotton is the traditional gift for a first wedding anniversary, what is given on the second? **PAPER**
- 2B** If talc is first (softest) on MOHS scale of hardness, which mineral, composed of hydrated calcium sulphate, is second? **GYP SUM**
- 3A** Although a hit for Barbra Streisand in 1966, the song Second Hand Rose was originally performed by vaudeville star Fanny Brice. Which musical was based on her life? **FUNNY GIRL**
- 3B** Gustav Mahler's Second Symphony has a nickname suggesting a biblical event. What is it? **RESURRECTION**
- 4A** Which eminent scientist was appointed the second Astronomer Royal in 1720? Edmond **HALLEY**
- 4B** *Every Second Counts* is a 2003 autobiographical work by which sportsman, for several years the subject of ongoing controversy? **LANCE ARMSTRONG**
- Spare:** On what date did the Second World War end in Europe - i.e. VE Day? **8th MAY 1945**

ROUND TWO: MINUTES

- 1A** "*There's a sucker born every minute*" is a quotation attributed to which 19th century show business personality? Phineas T. **BARNUM**
- 1B** Complete the lines from Rudyard Kipling's poem *If*
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And- which is more -? **YOU'LL BE A MAN, MY SON**
- 2A** Who composed the *Minute Waltz* (Op.64, No. 1, in D flat)? Frederic **CHOPIN**
- 2B** In the Radio 4 programme *Just a Minute* for which three offences can a speaker be challenged? (One point for each, all three needed for a pass) **HESITATION, DEVIATION, REPETITION**
- 3A** In mathematics, the minute is a unit of angular measurement equal to what fraction of a degree? **1/60th**
- 3B** In which eastern US state is Minute Man National Historical Park? **MASSACHUSETTS**
- 4A** Name either the town or the year in which Roger Bannister ran the first sub-four minute mile? **OXFORD** or **1954**
- 4B** To the nearest minute, what is the length of composer John Cage's "*silent*" piece of music? **FIVE** (4 mins 33 secs)
- Spare:** Who had a number one hit in 1965 with *The Minute You're Gone*? **CLIFF RICHARD**

ROUND THREE: HOURS

- 1A** In Walt Disney's cartoon film *Fantasia*, Ponchielli's *Dance of the Hours* is performed first by a group of ostriches and then by two groups of mammals. Name either of them. **HIPPOS or ELEPHANTS**
- 1B** In the 2002 film *The Hours* Nicole Kidman won an Academy Award for her portrayal of which famous author? **VIRGINIA WOOLF**
- 2A** Tierce and Sext are two of the seven prayer services prescribed by the Roman Catholic church which take place at the Canonical Hours. Name three of the other five. (One point for each, all three needed for a pass) **MATINS, PRIME, NONES, VESPERS COMPLINE**
- 2B** The words for Gene Pitney's song *24 Hours from Tulsa* - and for many other hits - were written by which lyricist? He died in September aged 91. **HAL DAVID**
- 3A** Who wrote the 2010 thriller *61 Hours*? **LEE CHILD**
- 3B** How many hours long is a naval Dog Watch? **TWO**
- 4A** Which group had a number three hit in 1986 with Happy Hour? **HOUSEMARTINS**
- 4B** How many degrees of longitude are equivalent to one hour of time? **FIFTEEN**
- Spare:** Who has been presenting Woman's Hour on Radio 4 since 1987? **JENNI MURRAY**

ROUND FOUR: DAYS

- 1A** On which Beatles album is the song *Eight Days a Week*? **BEATLES FOR SALE**
- 1B** How many days were "lost" when the Julian calendar was replaced by the Gregorian calendar in 1752? **ELEVEN**
- 2A** Which planet takes 687 earth days to orbit the sun? **MARS**
- 2B** In the USA when is Thanksgiving Day? **FOURTH THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER**
- 3A** In which US state is Daytona Beach, whose hard, white sand was used for attempts at world land speed records? **FLORIDA**
- 3B** The first edition of *Match of the Day*, shown on 22nd August 1964, featured just one game. Name either of the teams taking part. **LIVERPOOL or ARSENAL**
- 4A** Who replaced Cecil Day Lewis as Poet Laureate in 1972? **John BETJEMAN**
- 4B** Which word, from the Greek meaning "lasting only a day" has come to mean "short-lived" or "lasting for only a short time"? **EPHEMERAL**
- Spare:** The aria *One Fine Day* comes from which Puccini opera? **MADAME BUTTERFLY**

ROUND FIVE: WEEKS

- 1A** Who recorded the 1968 album *Astral Weeks*? **VAN MORRISON**
- 1B** Everton Weekes was one of the famous "Three W s" of West Indian cricket in the 1950s. On which Caribbean island was he born? **BARBADOS**

- 2A** Who said in 1965: "A week is a long time in politics"? **HAROLD WILSON**
- 2B** Which TV game show of the 1970s and early 1980s was introduced by the words: "*And now from Norwich it's the quiz of the week*"? **SALE OF THE CENTURY**
- 3A** Which author's first novel was *Five Weeks in a Balloon* which was published in 1863 and translated into English in 1870? **JULES VERNE**
- 3B** In the 2011 film *My Week with Marilyn* which actress was nominated for an Academy Award for her role as Marilyn Monroe? **MICHELLE WILLIAMS**
- 4A** Honeysuckle Weeks played the character Samantha Stewart in which ITV crime series? **FOYLE'S WAR**
- 4B** Who is the regular presenter of the Monday morning programme *Start the Week* on Radio 4? **ANDREW MARR**
- Spare:** Although he covered swimming, snooker and football for BBC TV, Alan Weeks was best known for commentating on which particular sport? **ICE SKATING**

ROUND SIX: MONTHS

- 1A** The grouse shooting season begins on 12th August but in which month does it end? **DECEMBER (10th)**
- 1B** In the French Revolutionary Calendar what name was given to the month which roughly corresponded to the period from the end of March to the end of April (seed time and budding)? **GERMINAL**
- 2A** Which Surrealist artist painted *The Month of the Grape Harvest* in 1959 which shows a crowd of bowler-hatted men in suits looking into a room through an open window? René **MAGRITTE**
- 2B** In which month did the battles of Hastings, Agincourt and Trafalgar all take place? **OCTOBER**
- 3A** Which two zodiacal signs cover the month of November? (One point for one, both needed for a pass) **SCORPIO & SAGITTARIUS**
- 3B** Which month takes its name from a Latin word meaning purification? **FEBRUARY**
- 4A** The line April is the cruellest month opens which poem by T.S. Eliot? **THE WASTELAND**
- 4B** Which Flemish artist was commissioned in 1565 to produce a series of paintings representing the Months of the Year only five of which survive, including *February: Hunters in the Snow*? Pieter **BRUEGHEL**
- Spare:** Which English actor starred opposite Julianne Moore in the 1995 comedy film *Nine Months*? **HUGH GRANT**

ROUND SEVEN: YEARS

- 1A** In 2011 the sports writer Joe Lovejoy produced a history of the first twenty years of football's Premier League. Its main title consisted of three words, all beginning with the letter G. The first was Glory, the second was Goals. What was the third? **GREED**
- 1B** Who wrote the play *Forty Years On* about life in an English public school? **ALAN BENNETT**

- 2A** In British history what connects the years 1016, 1066, 1483 and 1936?
EACH HAD THREE DIFFERENT KINGS
- 2B** Who won the inaugural BBC Sports Personality of the Year in 1954? **CHRIS CHATAWAY**
- 3A** Every two years a major exhibition of contemporary art (Biennial) is held in which Italian city?
VENICE
- 3B** Two US Presidents have served less than a year in office. One was William Harrison in 1841. Name the other, who was President in 1881.
James **GARFIELD** (who was assassinated)
- 4A** In thoroughbred racing a Yearling is a horse counted as being one year old until which very precise date?
THE SECOND JAN 1st AFTER ITS BIRTH (Award **one** point for Jan 1st)
- 4B** According to Chinese astrology we are currently in the year of which creature? **DRAGON**
- Spare:** Which singer/songwriter released the 1977 album *Year of the Cat*? **AL STEWART**

ROUND EIGHT: TIME IN GENERAL

- 1A** Which UNESCO World Heritage Site has been described as "A rose-red city half as old as time"? **PETRA**
- 1B** Which ex-President has appeared on the cover of Time Magazine on the most occasions (55 in total)?
Richard **NIXON**
- 2A** In the title of the 1957 Western film (remade in 2007) what time was the train due to depart to the town of Yuma?
3.10
- 2B** In Shakespeare's play *Richard II* which character is introduced as "Time-Honour'd Lancaster"?
JOHN OF GAUNT
- 3A** Which book of the Old Testament features the verse which begins:
*To everything there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die etc?* **ECCLESIASTES**
- 3B** For which World Cup Finals did the English Football squad record the song This Time (We'll Get It Right)? Name both the year and the country in which the tournament took place. (One point for one, both needed for a pass) **1982 & SPAIN**
- 4A** According to the saying (by Edward Young), what is "the thief of time"? **PROCRASTINATION**
- 4B** How many Time Zones cover mainland USA? **FIVE**
- Spare:** To whom, according to the poem's title, did Andrew Marvell confess:

At my back I always hear Time's winged chariot hurrying near?
HIS COY MISTRESS