This week's quiz is set by the Merchants, we do hope that it's enjoyable, balanced and not too specific – and forgive us our trespasses. Required answers are in bold capitals.

Round 1 BIRTHDAYS

Which celebrity received more than 135,000 presents from well-wishers around the world when she turned 8 in 1936?

SHIRLEY TEMPLE

1b 1748 was the first year in which the British monarch had two birthdays. Who was on the British throne at the time?

GEORGE II

2a. The events of which animated film of 1995 are set in motion by a present that a young boy called Andy Davis receives for his 6th birthday?

TOY STORY

2b. The birthday of which figure from 20th century American history is commemorated by Stevie Wonder's 1981 single, "Happy Birthday"?

MARTIN LUTHER KING

3a In China, whose birthday is ceremonially celebrated on the 8th day of the 4th month of the lunar calendar?

BUDDHA

3b In which country is it taboo to celebrate birthdays on either 8th July or 17th December, because those were the dates on which its two previous heads of state died?

NORTH KOREA

4a. Which US president was born on 19th August 1946?

BILL CLINTON

4b. Which UK prime minister was born on 20th February 1951?

GORDON BROWN

Spare

If you are a 'leapling', what is your (date/month) birthday?

29 February

Round 2 Mononyms

All answers are famous mononymic people, ie those known by a single name.

Example: Who sang "Material Girl"? Answer: Madonna

Authors and their works

Given the book or play, name the mononymic author

1a. Gigi

COLETTE

1b. Tintin in Tibet

HERGE

2a. Scarlet and Black

STENDHAL

2b. Candide

VOLTAIRE

Musical aliases

Given a singer's real name, give their famous mononym.

3a. Cherilyn Sarkisian

CHER

3b. Marshall Mathers

EMINEM

4a. Gordon Sumner

Sting

4b. Paul Hewson

BONO

Spares

Tartuffe

MOLIERE

Round 3 All saints

Questions and/or answers contain the word saint or its equivalent in another language.

1a. What saint, commonly known as the Father of English History, is buried in Durham Cathedral?

BEDE

1b. What saintly area of Bristol saw riots in the 1980s?

ST PAUL'S

2a. Which medical series was revealed in its last episode to have been imagined by an autistic boy?

ST ELSEWHERE

2b. What is the formal name of the Mormon Church?

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

3a. In which remote Scottish archipelago, now uninhabited, did the islanders mainly eat seabirds, including snacking on puffins?

ST KILDA

3b. What city in north west Spain is a famed destination for pilgrims?

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

4a. Jimmy Greaves was Greavsie, but who was Saint?

IAN ST JOHN

4b. Which saint is often depicted pierced with arrows?

ST SEBASTIAN

Spare

Who wrote a series of books featuring Simon Templar, "The Saint"? **LESLIE CHARTERIS**

Round 4- Images of birds

1A: Which author wrote the novel published with the cover art shown in F?

DONNA TARTT

1B: Which falcon-headed God is depicted in G?

HORUS

2A: What drinks brand trades under logo E?

SMIRNOFF

2B: Name the company that trades under logo H?

NESTLE

3A: Which American city is home to the sports team that wears emblem C?

3B: D is the emblem of an American football team that has found a home in Chicago, St Louis and now (ironically) Phoenix. Which bird is depicted here? (Red) **CARDINAL**

4A: What species of bird is shown in logo B?

AVOCET

4B: Which broadcasting company uses logo A?

NBC

Spare:

Name the company that trades under logo I?

TWITTER

Round 5 LANDMARK POSTCODES

In this round you will need to identify UK landmark/tourist attractions on the basis of a brief description of the landmark/attraction plus its postcode. For example: Religious building that was consecrated in 1697. Postcode: EC4M 4AD = St Paul's Cathedral

1a Natural phenomenon and UNESCO World Heritage Site BT57 8SU

GIANT'S CAUSEWAY

1b Public artwork completed in 1998 NE9 7YT

ANGEL OF THE NORTH

2a Open-air museum established in 1970 DH9 0RG

BEAMISH

2b Scientific installation established in 1945 SK11 9DW

JODRELL BANK

- Popular visitor attraction that was opened to the public in March 2000 SE1 7PB LONDON EYE (accept also MILLENNIUM WHEEL)
- 3b Popular visitor attraction. The location has been open to the public since 1860 but the attraction has been open in its present form since 1980 ST10 4DB **ALTON TOWERS**
- 4a Tourist attraction opened to the public in May 1894 FY1 4BJ

BLACKPOOL TOWER

4b Sporting venue, with current capacity of 30,000, established in 1814 NW8 8QN LORDS cricket ground

Spare:

Former royal residence PO32 6JX

OSBORNE HOUSE

Round 6: A LOCAL ROUND FOR LOCAL PEOPLE

A round which refers to The League of Gentlemen and it's creators

1a. The League of Gentlemen is set in Royston Vasey, but after which controversial stand up comedian born in 1945 is the town named

Roy CHUBBY BROWN

1b. The League of Gentlemen recorded a live show at which famous theatre echoing Monty Python's live 1974 recording

DRURY LANE

2a. In which programme did Mark Gatiss play 'the Captain' on Christmas Day 2017

DOCTOR WHO

2b. Mark Gatiss played Tycho Nestoris in which HBO series, of which the final season is due to air in 2019

GAME OF THRONES

3a. The League of Gentlemen is an album by which guitarist from King Crimson

ROBERT FRIPP

3b. What is the name of the trans woman in The League of Gentlemen and the Scottish singer who had a hit with 'I know him so well'

BARBARA DIXON/DICKSON

4a. The three actors in The League of Gentlemen played characters in which Children's TV sketch show, which includes Groovy Greeks, Rotten Romans and Vicious Vikings

HORRIBLE HISTORIES

4b. 'Inside Number 9' was inspired by which Hitchcock film staring James Stewart about two students who believe they've committed a perfect murder

ROPE

Spare

Mark Gatiss created a which TV series which saw Andrew Scott play a 'consulting criminal'

SHERLOCK

Round 7 GERMANY

1a What was the "Anti-Fascist Protection Rampart" better known as?

BERLIN WALL

1b What kind of retail establishment takes its name from the German for "delicious things"?

DELICATESSEN

The title of which British sitcom, which was first broadcast in 1983, consists of two German words and one English word?

AUF WIEDERSEHEN, PET

2b Which British sitcom had a memorable episode entitled "The Germans", which first aired on 24 October 1975?

FAWLTY TOWERS

3a. Which German thinker confidently predicted early in his career that "in five weeks I will be through with the whole economic sh*t"?

Karl MARX

3b According to Mark Twain, the music of which German composer is "better than it sounds"?

Richard WAGNER

4a. Which German tennis player was the first ever player to win a Golden Slam (ie all four Grand Slam singles titles plus Olympic gold in the same calendar year)? Steffi GRAF 4b. What did Mario Götze do to become a German sporting hero on 13 July 2014 Scored winning **GOAL** in football **WORLD CUP FINAL**

Spare

In which year were East and West Germany formally re-unified after the end of the Cold War?

1990

Round 8 GENERAL

1a. Which two European countries share a 1010-mile land border? (both needed; no points for partially correct answers)

NORWAY, SWEDEN

1b Lake Titicaca lies on the border between which two South American countries? (both needed; no points for partially correct answers)

BOLIVIA, PERU

2a If you visited Buñol near Valencia on the last Wednesday of August, what food would you expect to be pelted with?

TOMATOES

2b If joined the crowds at Cooper's Hill near Brockworth on Spring Bank Holiday what food would you be in pursuit of?

CHEESE

By what name was the horse Bamboo Harvester more widely known to television viewers from 1961-1966?

MR ED

3b A terrier called Eddie was a recurring presence in which sitcom of the 1990s/2000s?

FRASIER

- 4a By what name is the physical fitness system "Contrology" better known? **PILATES**
- 4b What is the painful condition "lateral epicondylitis" better known as?

TENNIS ELBOW

Spare:

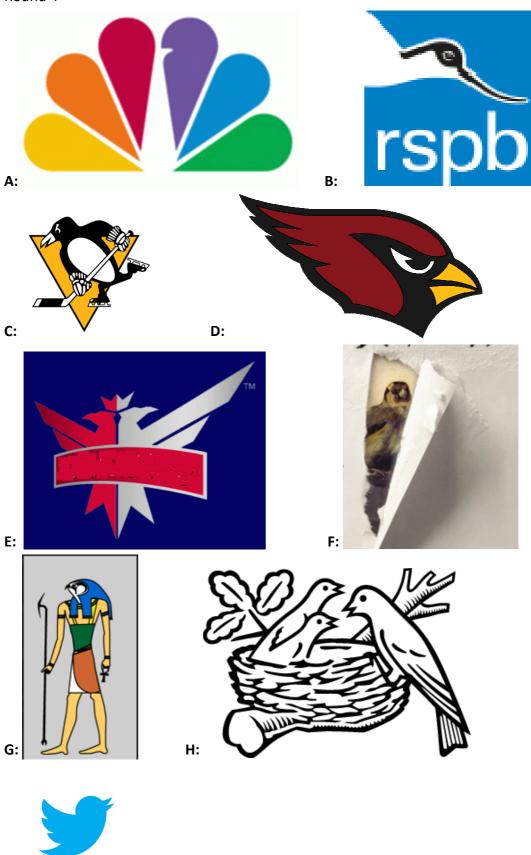
What name was coined in 2005 to describe people who eat food that has been produced nearby rather than moved long distances to market.

LOCAVORES (also accept **Localvores**)

What is the name of the chain of cafes in the UK whose profits go towards veterans of the armed forces and emergency services (a branch has recently opened on Market Street in Lancaster).

SHARPES

Round 4



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