

LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE: 17 March 2025

Quiz set by Fox & Goose A

Required answers are in **BOLD CAPITALS** – incorrect first names (where surname only required) will not be penalised – but they don't sound nice, so avoid them if you're not sure!

Round 1 – Islands in and around Great Britain

1a	In which stretch of water will you find the islands named Steep Holm and Flat Holm?	BRISTOL CHANNEL
1b	Name the island in Bantham Bay, off the south coast of Devon, famous for its Art Deco hotel, which features frequently in period dramas.	BURGH
2a	Which tiny uninhabited island in the north Atlantic was claimed by the UK on 18 September 1955 when two Royal Marines and a civilian naturalist landed on it, raised a Union flag, and cemented a plaque into the rock	ROCKALL
2b	On which artificial island in Widnes did the Stone Roses stage their biggest gig in 1990?	SPIKE
3a	In which river will you find the islands known as Brentford Ait and Lot's Ait?	THAMES
3b	Name the island off the south Cornish coast accessible at low tide by a causeway from the town of Marazion	ST MICHAEL'S MOUNT
4a	From which reclaimed island in the Thames estuary did the 1970s pub rock band Dr Feelgood originally hail?	CANVEY
4b	Name the island off the West Coast of Scotland that was seeded with anthrax spores in 1942 and on which, for several decades afterwards, it was dangerous to land.	GRUINARD
Spare #1	Name the island on which the city of Portsmouth is principally located.	PORTSEA
Spare #2	On which island will you find Alum Bay, a bay surrounded by cliffs of multicoloured sandstone.	ISLE OF WIGHT

Round 2 – Crewed Spacecraft

Tip: 'crewed spacecraft' refers here to vessels that humans actually occupy in space, **not** launch vehicles such as Saturn V, Ariane or The Long March

1a	In which single-pilot spacecraft, used for the first six Soviet crewed missions, did Yuri Gagarin and Valentina Tereshkova become, respectively, the first man and the first woman in space? The name means 'East' in Russian.	VOSTOK
1b	What was the name of the modular Soviet (later Russian) space station which operated from 1986 to 2001, before the International Space Station became operational?	MIR

2a	Since 2003, China has launched 14 crewed missions into space using what spacecraft, a heavily adapted version of the Russian / Soviet Soyuz spacecraft? The names translates roughly as 'Sacred Ship'.	SHENZHOU
2b	Which company, founded by the Amazon billionaire Jeff Bezos, operates a sub-orbital spacecraft 'New Shepard', which has so far lifted around 50 people into space, including Bezos himself, his brother, and Star Trek actor William Shatner?	BLUE ORIGIN
3a	What was the name of the American space station that operated between 1973 and 1974? It was made by converting the third stage of a Saturn V rocket into an orbiting workshop and observatory?	SKYLAB
3b	NASA sadly lost two Space Shuttle orbiters on mission disasters in 1986 and 2003. Can you name any of the three Space Shuttles that were still operational until they were retired in 2011? (<i>only one required</i>)	DISCOVERY or ATLANTIS or ENDEAVOUR
4a	In the Apollo moon landings programme, each spacecraft was given its own identity (e.g. Apollo 10: <i>Snoopy</i> and <i>Charlie Brown</i>). Can you name either the Lunar Module or the Command Module that featured in the dramatic events of the near-fatal but much feted Apollo 13 mission in 1970? (<i>only one required</i>)	AQUARIUS (LM) or ODYSSEY (CM)
4b	What was the name of the two-pilot spacecraft developed by NASA for a series of ten crewed missions in the mid-1960s, in the build-up to the Apollo lunar missions?	GEMINI
Spare #1	In the Apollo moon landings programme, each spacecraft was given its own identity (e.g. Apollo 10: <i>Snoopy</i> and <i>Charlie Brown</i>). What was the name of the Apollo 11 Lunar Module, in which humans landed on the moon for the first time, on 20 July 1969?	EAGLE
Spare #2	What was the name of the Soviet spaceplane developed in the 1980s, which bore a striking resemblance to the American Space Shuttle? Despite a successful uncrewed flight in 1988, it never carried humans into space, and was officially shelved by Russia in 1993. Its name is Russian for 'snowstorm'.	BURAN

Round 3 – People in Books

From the three characters and the year of publication, name the novel

1a	Sir Leicester Dedlock , Esther Summerson, Mr Tulkinghorne – 1852-3	BLEAK HOUSE
1b	Nurse Cramer, Hungry Joe, Milo Minderbinder – 1961	CATCH 22

2a	Princess Dragomirov, Ratchett, Hercule Poirot – 1934	MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS
2b	Mr Micawber, Uriah Heep, Betsy Trotwood – 1849-50	DAVID COPPERFIELD
3a	The Reverend Leonard Clement, Colonel Protheroe, Miss Marple – 1930	MURDER AT THE VICARAGE
3b	Spud, Sick Boy, Renton: 1993	TRAINSPOTTING
4a	Offred, The Commander, Nick – 1985	The HANDMAID'S TALE
4b	Rachel Watson, Tom Watson, Megan Hipwell/'Jess' – 2015	The GIRL ON THE TRAIN
Spare #1	Mr Collins, George Wickham, Lady Catherine de Bourgh – 1813	PRIDE AND PREJUDICE
Spare #2	Jonathan Harker, Renfield, Lucy Westenra – 1897	DRACULA

Round 4 – British Abbeys

1a	Which abbey would you reach from the town made famous by Captain James Cook by climbing 199 steps?	WHITBY Abbey
1b	In the grounds of which abbey can you cross the River Wharfe by a set of stepping stones, or by taking your life in your hands and jumping across the 'Strid'?	BOLTON Abbey
2a	Which abbey does William Wordsworth write about in his autobiographical poem 'The Prelude'?	FURNESS Abbey
2b	Of which abbey does John Betjeman write, 'Bask beneath the Abbey bells. Here where England's statesmen lie, listen to a lady's cry'?	WESTMINSTER Abbey
3a	Which abbey, founded by Benedictine monks, lies within the estate of Studley Royal Deer Park?	FOUNTAINS Abbey
3b	Which abbey, founded by Cistercian monks in 1131 overlooks the Wye valley?	TINTERN Abbey
4a	In which abbey in Devon did Benedictine monks produce a world-famous tonic wine, named after the abbey and still available today?	BUCKFAST Abbey
4b	The Trappist monks of which abbey make chocolate sold under the 'Abbot's kitchen' brand. The abbey was originally a Celtic monastery, founded on an island of the same name, off the coast of South Wales, near Tenby.	CALDEY Abbey
Spare #1	In 1996 an archaeological excavation at the site of Melrose Abbey unearthed a casket, which is presumed to hold the heart of which famous Scot?	ROBERT THE BRUCE
Spare #2	Which abbey in the North York Moors has a 10-acre apple orchard, growing over 70 varieties of apple, and is famous for its cider?	AMPLEFORTH Abbey

Round 5 – Sporting Venues

1a	One of the few remaining examples of Archibald Leitch's criss-crossed balustrade design, this grand old ground has hosted more topflight English football than any other, and was also used in the 1966 World Cup, staging one of the semi-finals.	GOODISON PARK
1b	A multi-sports venue (Olympics, football, rugby, etc.) in Brisbane but best known as a cricket venue and for hosting numerous Ashes test matches. What is it best known as?	The GABBA
2a	Which course is home of the US Master's Championship in Golf?	AUGUSTA
2b	Where are the US Open Tennis Championships held? (Venue not City)	FLUSHING MEADOWS
3a	Sports teams to have used this former stadium include the Mets, Jets, Yankees and Giants, whilst it was also used by the Beatles and other music groups.	SHEA Stadium
3b	Which Formula 1 Circuit includes the Parabolica and Lesmo corners and is the home venue of the Tifosi?	MONZA
4a	What is the name of the main stadium used in the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics?	The BIRD'S NEST
4b	Aside from Wembley what was the only other London ground used to stage matches in the 1966 FIFA World Cup?	WHITE CITY Stadium
Spare #1	Where are the French Open Tennis Championships held?	ROLAND GARROS
Spare #2	Which Stadium was host to two FIFA World Cup Finals and is the holder of the record attendance for a football match at 173,850 (official)	MARACANA

Round 6 – A round about Ireland and things Irish

1a	What is the name of Ireland's national theatre, founded in 1904 by (among others) W.B. Yeats, Augusta Gregory, and J.M. Synge?	The ABBHEY Theatre
1b	What is the name of the stadium where the annual All-Ireland Hurling and Gaelic Football finals are played?	CROKE PARK
2a	What is the only city in the Republic of Ireland that's not on the coast?	KILKENNY
2b	Carrauntoohil, the highest mountain in Ireland, is in what county?	KERRY
3a	Which Irish actor played Moriarty, the arch-villain to Benedict Cumberbatch's Holmes, in the BBC series Sherlock?	Andrew SCOTT
3b	Who plays the title character in the Dublin-based sitcom Mrs Brown's Boys?	Brendan O'CARROLL

4a	The song 'She's a Mystery to Me' was written by Bono and The Edge of U2 for which American singer, who had a top 30 UK hit with it in 1989?	Roy ORBISON
4b	In December 1967, Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band was knocked off the UK no. 1 spot by an album by which Irish singer?	Val DOONICAN
Spare #1	Who is the Northern Ireland Secretary?	Hilary BENN
Spare #2	Who played the title character in Father Ted?	Dermot MORGAN

Round 7 – Classical Music in Film

1a	Whose Second Piano Concerto is used in the soundtrack of the 1945 film Brief Encounter?	Sergei RACHMANINOV
1b	The opening scene of the 1980 film The Shining features which composer's Sinfonie Fantastique?	Hector BERLIOZ
2a	Who composed the music for the 1936 British documentary film Night Mail, with words by W.H. Auden?	Benjamin BRITTEN
2b	Which composer's Adagietto is featured in the 1971 film Death in Venice?	Gustav MAHLER
3a	Who wrote the play Amadeus, basis of the 1984 film of the same name?	Peter SHAFFER
3b	Who played Beethoven in the 1994 film Immortal Beloved?	Gary OLDMAN
4a	Who played the eponymous female conductor in the 2022 film Tár?	Cate BLANCHETT
4b	The 2023 film Maestro is a biopic of which American composer and conductor?	Leonard BERNSTEIN
Spare #1	What's the name of the 1996 film starring Geoffrey Rush as the psychologically troubled Australian pianist David Helfgott?	SHINE
Spare #2	Which eccentric Canadian pianist is the subject of the 1993 film Thirty-Two Short Films About ... ?	Glenn GOULD

Round 8 – General

1a	Who is this: died in 2024, a Welsh snooker player who won the world championship at his first attempt in 1979?	Terry GRIFFITHS
1b	Who is this: died in 2024, he competed for Great Britain in the shot put in three Olympic Games and twice won the title of world's strongest man?	Geoff CAPES
2a	In January 2024, which country became the fifth to achieve a successful(ish) lunar soft-landing with its unmanned spacecraft SLIM?	JAPAN
2b	In which county was Britain's largest site of dinosaur footprints discovered in 2024?	OXFORDSHIRE

3a	'Bluey' is an Australian cartoon series for young children which is broadcast by the BBC. What kind of animal is Bluey?	DOG (or PUPPY)
3b	Who narrates the children's cartoon series 'Hey Duggee', first broadcast by the BBC in 2014?	Alexander ARMSTRONG
4a	Name the winner of the 2017 Nobel Prize in Literature, British but born elsewhere, and author of the novels An Artist of the Floating World (1986) and The Buried Giant (2015).	Kazuo ISHIGURO
4b	Name the winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize in Literature, British but born elsewhere, and author of the novels The Golden Notebook (1962) and Shikasta (1979).	Doris LESSING
Spare #1	Name the 1975 film based on a novella by Rudyard Kipling, which stars Michael Caine and Sean Connery.	The MAN WHO WOULD BE KING
Spare #2	Name the 1970 film, based on a novel by E. Nesbit, which stars Jenny Agutter and Bernard Cribbins.	The RAILWAY CHILDREN