

LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE: 9 February 2026 (Pool Week 2)
 Quiz set by Fox & Goose A – Required answers are in **BOLD CAPITALS**

Round 1 – Same Title, Different Songs

Each question gives the names of two artists who had hits with songs with the same title, along with the years they had those hits. Example: Lulu (1964) and Tears for Fears (1985) both had hits with songs called 'Shout'. All answers were top 20 singles in the UK or the US.

1A	Prince (1986), Blur (1994)	GIRLS AND BOYS
1B	David Bowie (1983), Chris Rea (1987)	LET'S DANCE
2A	Barratt Strong (1959), Pink Floyd (1973)	MONEY
2B	Frankie Goes to Hollywood (1984), Jennifer Rush (1984)	THE POWER OF LOVE
3A	David Bowie (1975), Irene Cara (1980)	FAME
3B	Stevie Winwood (1982), The Zutons (2006)	VALERIE
4A	Radiohead (1992), TLC (1994)	CREEP
4B	Patsy Cline (1961), Gnarl's Barkley (2006)	CRAZY
Spare	Fats Domino (1956), New Order (1983)	BLUE MONDAY

Round 2 – Back in the USSR

Questions about the 15 official states that were formerly part of the USSR

1A	In Central Asia, which former Soviet republic (other than Russia) had the largest population in 2025?	UZBEKISTAN (38 million)
1B	In the Baltics, which former Soviet republic had the smallest population in 2025?	ESTONIA (1.4 million)
2A	Yerevan is the state capital of which former Soviet republic, which lies in the Caucasus region?	ARMENIA
2B	What is the name of the city and region of Russia which was cut off by the dissolution of the USSR, and now forms an exclave on the Baltic Sea, some 400 miles to the west of the rest of Russia?	KALININGRAD
3A	What is the name of the former sea in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan? It has largely dried up since the 1960s but was once the third largest lake in the world.	ARAL SEA
3B	The USSR had already qualified for the European Football Championships held in Sweden in 1992. It competed as C.I.S. – but what does C.I.S. stand for?	COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES
4A	Which Baltic state was the first to declare independence from the USSR?	LITHUANIA
4B	Which Central Asian state was the last to declare independence from the USSR?	KAZAKHSTAN
Spare	For how many years was the USSR in existence (allowing 3 either way)?	69 (allow 66-72) (est. 1922, † 1991)
Spare	Bishkek is the state capital of which former Soviet republic, part of the Central Asian region?	KYRGYZSTAN

Round 3 – Cryptic Clues

Short phrases that provide clues to two different meanings of the same word: provide the word (e.g., Follow a rough path = track)

1A	Call a servant	PAGE
1B	Climb onto a high hill	MOUNT
2A	Thump a reading light	LAMP
2B	Angry Christian symbol	CROSS
3A	Deep affection without a point	LOVE
3B	Complain about a large goldfish	CARP
4A	Compelled to have unfermented grape juice	MUST
4B	Think deeply and worry about a family of chicks	BROOD
Spare	Empty a gully	DRAIN

Round 4 – Top Flight English Football

1a to 2b concern the men's **Premier League**. 3a to 4b are about the **Women's Super League** – not the lower-ranked WSL2 (previously the FA Women's Championship).

1A	There have been 7 Premier League champions so far. Which two of these clubs do not currently play in the Premier League? (one point for one, both for a pass)	BLACKBURN Rovers and LEICESTER City
1B	Only six clubs have played in the Premiership every season since its formation. Which two of these have never been champions? (one point for one, both etc.)	EVERTON and TOTTENHAM Hotspur (allow Spurs)
2A	The Premier League is the most-watched sports league in the world, both in person and on TV. To within the nearest 2,500, what was the average match attendance during the 2024-2025 season?	40,421 (accept 37,500-43,000)
2B	Including the current season, how many clubs have played in the Premier League since its inception in 1992? (You can have three either way.)	51 (accept 48 to 54)
3A	How many clubs currently play in the Women's Super League? Reminder: top flight only – not WSL2	12
3B	Which financial institution has been the title sponsor of the Women's Super League since 2019?	BARCLAY'S
4A	Which 2 teams have played in the WSL continuously since it began in 2011? (1 point for 1, both for a pass).	ARSENAL and CHELSEA
4B	One Yorkshire side was a founder member of the WSL in 2011. Another Yorkshire team intended to take part but withdrew when its main sponsor failed to provide the necessary funding. Can you name the 2 teams? (one point for one, both for a pass).	DONCASTER Rovers Belles and LEEDS Carnegie Ladies (respectively)
Spare (1-2)	Which club has won the most Premier League titles?	MANCHESTER UNITED (13)
Spare (3-4)	Which team has won the most Women's Super League titles since the league's inauguration in 2011?	CHELSEA (8 – more than all other clubs combined)

Round 5 – Modern Adaptations of Literary Classics

1A	The jukebox musical Return to the Forbidden Planet is loosely based on which Shakespeare play?	The TEMPEST
1B	Which 1994 Disney animated classic is inspired by Shakespeare's Hamlet, featuring a protagonist whose father is murdered by his uncle?	The LION KING
2A	What classical work is the Coen Brothers film 'Oh brother where art thou?' loosely based on?	The ODYSSEY
2B	Name the 2001 romantic comedy film starring Colin Firth and Hugh Grant that is loosely inspired by Pride and Prejudice. Its sequel, subtitled The Edge of Reason, is similarly inspired by Persuasion.	BRIDGET JONES'S DARY
3A	Which Broadway musical, which is set during the 1980s AIDS crisis in New York, is based on the Puccini opera La Boheme?	RENT
3B	George Bernard Shaw's Pygmalion inspired which Broadway musical? The 1964 film adaptation features Audrey Hepburn as Eliza Dolittle.	MY FAIR LADY
4A	The 2006 rom-com She's the Man, which stars Amanda Bynes as Viola, is based on which Shakespearean comedy?	TWELFTH NIGHT
4B	The 1999 rom-com 10 Things I Hate about You starring Julia Stiles and Heath Ledger as Kat and Patrick, is based on which Shakespeare comedy?	The TAMING OF THE SHREW
Spare	Which Broadway musical with music by Leonard Bernstein and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, focuses on a forbidden relationship between protagonists Tony and Maria and is based on Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet?	WEST SIDE STORY

Round 6 – Food

1A	Kofta, Polpete, Köttbullar, and Albóndigas are all types of which food?	MEATBALLS
1B	Varieties of which fruit include Cox's Orange Pippin, Golden Delicious, and Royal Gala?	APPLES
2A	In the Welsh food laverbread, what type of vegetation is laver?	SEAWEED
2B	What type of pastry is used to make pastries including Pastizz, Strudel, and Baklava?	FILO
3A	Which country is the largest exporter of Coffee beans?	BRAZIL
3B	Which country is the largest exporter of Cocoa beans?	IVORY COAST (accept Côte d'Ivoire)
4A	In 1990, what was the Marathon bar's name changed to?	SNICKERS
4B	In 1998, what was Opal Fruits name changed to?	STARBURST
Spare	Which fish is used in the Scottish soup Cullen Skink?	HADDOCK

Round 7 – Comedy Characters in TV and Cinema

1A	In The Fast Show, Louis Balfour, host of 'Jazz Club', had what one word catchphrase?	NICE
1B	In Dad's Army, ARP warden Hodges referred to Captain Mainwaring by what derogatory nickname?	NAPOLEON
2A	What was the absorbent name of the Dad's Army supporting character who led the platoon's second section?	SPONGE
2B	Paul Whitehouse played a very drunk retired barrister in The Fast Show. What was his name?	ROWLEY BIRKIN QC
3A	What was the name of the police lieutenant in Naked Gun, played by Leslie Nielsen?	FRANK DREBIN
3B	What is the name of Peter Griffin's lecherous neighbour in Family Guy?	Glen QUAGMIRE
4A	In Ghosts what is distinctive about Julian Fawcett MP's appearance?	NAKED FROM THE WAIST DOWN
4B	What is the name of the David Brent character in the American version of The Office?	MICHAEL SCOTT
Spare	In The Simpsons, who runs the Kwik-E-Mart in Springfield? (Surname not required.)	APU

Round 8 – Eggs in General (some fried)

1A	In Seville in 1618, who painted An Old Woman Frying Eggs, now hanging in the Scottish National Gallery?	Diego VELASQUEZ
1B	'I am the egg man, they are the egg men' is a recurring line in which Beatles song?	I AM THE WALRUS
2A	If a fried egg is added to a croque monsieur, what is the dish called?	CROQUE MADAME
2B	'What, you egg? Young fry of treachery!' is said by a murderer in which Shakespeare play?	MACBETH
3A	The rarest and most expensive caviar is the roe of which critically endangered fish?	BELUGA STURGEON
3B	What is the key ingredient added to the eggs in the dish eggs Arnold Bennett?	SMOKED HADDOCK
4A	The Platypus and four species of Echidna are the only surviving egg-laying mammals. What is the scientific name, derived from the Greek for 'single hole', of the order to which they belong?	MONOTREME
4B	In which novel of 1726 do we learn of the protracted conflict between the Big-Endians and the Little-Endians, who cannot agree which end of a boiled egg should be cracked?	GULLIVER'S TRAVELS
Spare	Holly Ross and David Blackwell make up which long-established Lancaster-based band?	The LOVELY EGGS