

Round 1 – Quizmaster's choice

As the title suggests, this round gives me the chance to put some unusual questions to you. This month I've chosen as the theme 'Mmmmmm...let me think?' which is a rather strange theme, but all your answers will begin with the letter M.

Enjoy the challenge.....

- 1 Who painted the Creation of Adam on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel?

Michaelangelo

- 2 The Indian dish keema naan traditionally has what stuffing?

Minced meat

- 3 Which retailer started life as a penny bazaar in Leeds in 1894?

Marks & Spencer

- 4 Beginning with M, which island in Greece is famous for its windmills and nightlife?

Mykonos

- 5 Which M is the lower jaw in mammals and fishes?

Mandible

- 6 White rum is the main ingredient in which Cuban cocktail?

Mojito

- 7 Complete the following proverb: "One man's _____ is another man's poison"?

Meat

- 8 Ciccone is the surname of which American pop star?

Madonna

Round 2 – SUM TOTAL = 1,004,172

8 questions where each of your answers will either be a number or contain some reference to a number. The sum total of your 8 answers should be 1,004,172

- 1 In Roman numerals, what is the value of a letter M with a bar over it?

ONE MILLION

- 2 How many leaves does a shamrock have?

THREE

- 3 How many points are there on a 'boxed' compass?

32

- 4 Which novel, published in 1949 and originally to be called 'The last Man in Europe' has the opening line 'It was a bright cold day in April and the clocks were striking thirteen'?

1984

- 5 In which year was decimal currency introduced in the United Kingdom?

1971

- 6 A sesquicentennial celebrates how many years?

150

- 7 In which century did Rococo art & literature develop?

18th

- 8 How many lines are there (normally) in a sonnet?

14

Round 3 - Letter link

8 general knowledge questions where the final letter of the answer to question 1 will be the same as the first letter of the answer to question 2 and so on through to question 8 where the final letter of that answer will be the same as the initial letter of the answer to question number 1, to complete the link

- 1 The Straights of Otranto separate Italy from which country?

ALBANIA

- 2 In which European city are the Headquarters of Greenpeace?

AMSTERDAM

- 3 Which confectionary product, made by Mars, was originally advertised as 'The Lighter Way To Enjoy Chocolate'?

Maltesers

- 4 After McDonald's & Starbucks, which is the 3rd largest fast-food franchise in America in terms of locations?

SUBWAY (with 37,000 locations)

- 5 Launched in April 1961, who piloted Vostok I? (first name & surname required)

YURI GAGARIN

- 6 Contrary to popular belief, brides do not walk down the aisle to get married, which part of the church do they walk down?

NAVE (aisles are at the side)

- 7 Which well-known author of children's books was born in London in 1897 and died in London in 1968. In 1955 alone she produced 59 books? (first name & surname required)

ENID BLYTON

- 8 What was the name of the dog in Peter Pan?

NANA

Round 4 – Connection

This round consists of 7 general knowledge questions where the answers all have a common connection. For question 8 you simply have to work out what the connection is between the previous 7 answers. All your answers should obviously fit the connection; if you find yourself looking at an answer that doesn't obviously fit the connection then it's either very obscure or, more likely, you've got the wrong answer and you'll need a bit of a re-think!

- 1 In *Eastenders*, what was the first name of the character played by actor Ross Kemp?

GRANT

- 2 What was the surname of the first female pilot to fly solo from Britain to Australia?

JOHNSON

- 3 Which English county, created in 1974 but abolished in 1996, used to have Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, Hartlepool and Redcar as some of its major towns?

CLEVELAND

- 4 What is the surname of the now retired footballer who is, to date, the only player to captain the same club side to the 1st Division/Premiership League championship title in three different decades?

ADAMS

- 5 What was the surname of the man who held the post of British Prime Minister as the 70s began, on 1st January 1970?

WILSON

- 6 What is the surname of the artist who sang *All Time High*, the theme to the Bond movie *Octopussy*?

COOLIDGE

- 7 In which American City are the Headquarters of the International Monetary Fund?

WASHINGTON (DC)

- 8 What is the connection between the previous seven answers: **US Presidents (Ulysses S Grant – 18th President; Lyndon B Johnson – 36th; Grover Cleveland – only non-executive President; John Adams – 2nd & John Quincy Adams – 6th; Woodrow Wilson – 28th; Calvin Coolidge – 30th; George Washington – 1st)**