# LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE

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Quiz set by the Boot and Shoe A

Required answers are in bold capitals.

#### **ROUND ONE**

### MIDDISH NORTHUMBERLAND

1A What type of dog originates in mid Northumberland?

BEDLINGTON TERRIER

1B Under what name do the hard men of Blyth's football team play? **SPARTANS** 

2A Cissie Charlton lived in 'Jules Rimet House' in which Northumbrian pit village?

**ASHINGTON** 

2B Which cricketer has the nickname of the "Ashington Express'? Steve HARMISON

3A Which famous suffragette whose epitaph reads 'Deeds not words' is buried in a Morpeth churchyard? Emily **DAVISON** 

3B Will Owen, alleged to be an East German spy, was MP for which constituency in Northumberland that is now known as 'Wansbeck'?

MORPETH

4A The father of the Pointless Alexander Armstrong was a GP in which Northumbrian village?

ROTHBURY

4B What is the name of the famous National Trust property that overlooks Rothbury?

CRAGSIDE

#### **SPARES**

Which brand of razor blade is associated with Cramlington? WILKINSON SWORD

Which brand of Aluminium is associated with Lynemouth? ALCAN

# **ROUND TWO**

# THE WEST COUNTRY

1A Name the river that forms the major part of the boundary between Devon and Cornwall.

# The TAMAR

1B Name the Cornish village that was severely damaged by a flash flood in 2004.

**BOSCASTLE** 

2A Name the female athlete, brought up in Bath, who in Vancouver in 2010 became the first Briton for 30 years to win a gold medal in the Winter Olympics.

Amy WILLIAMS

- 2B Name the Formula 1 racing driver who was born in Frome, Somerset, and is known as the Frome flyer.

  Jensen **BUTTON**
- 3A Thomas Hardy was born in Dorchester. What name did he use to represent the town in his novels?

  CASTERBRIDGE
- 3B Name the Dorset town that Thomas Hardy used as the model for his fictional town of Budmouth. **WEYMOUTH**
- 4A Name the clarinet player, born in Pensford, Somerset, who with his Paramount Jazz Band had a series of hits in the 1960s and 1970s. Acker **BILK**
- 4B Name the West Country comedy folk band originally led by singer Adge Cutler.

  The **WURZELS**

Who led the team which restored the Lost Gardens of Heligan in Cornwall? Tim **SMIT** 

Name the model town in Dorset, built on Duchy of Cornwall land, which seeks to implement design principles espoused by Prince Charles. **POUNDBURY** 

#### **ROUND THREE**

### **FRANCE**

- 1A Which group issued the album 'Tour de France Soundtracks'? **KRAFTWERK**
- 1B Which Scottish band took their name from a French children's book and TV series?

  BELLE AND SEBASTIAN
- 2A Who was the last French cyclist to win the Tour de France? Bernard HINAULT
- 2B Who was the first (and only Australian cyclist to win the Tour de France?

Cadel **EVANS** 

- 3A Which French artist lived with Vincent Van Gogh in the south of France for some months in the 1880s?

  Paul GAUGUIN
- 3B Which French-born artist specialised in what he called 'ready-mades', one of the best known being a piece entitled 'Fountain'?

  Marcel **DUCHAMP**
- 4A Which French rugby union team won the Heineken Cup for the first time in May 2013? **TOULON**
- 4B Which French rugby union team beat Gloucester in the first match of the Heineken Cup this season?

  PERPIGNAN

In which year was the first Tour de France held? Name the present Prime Minister of France.

1903 Jean-Marc AYRAULT

### **ROUND FOUR**

### **SCOTLAND**

- 1A Name the subsequently famous singer-songwriter who was Billy Connolly's partner in the folk duo The Humblebums.

  Gerry RAFFERTY
- 1B 'Sunshine on Leith' is a musical now filmed based on the songs of which duo?

  The **PROCLAIMERS**
- 2A Two years after the Scottish victory at Stirling Bridge, the army of William Wallace was defeated by the English army under Edward I in a battle named for which Scottish town?

  FALKIRK
- 2B Which king of Scotland was killed at the battle of Flodden in 1513? JAMES IV
- 3A Name the Scottish writer who died in June 2013 after asking his partner to do him the honour of becoming his widow. **Iain BANKS**
- 3B 'Standing in Another Man's Grave', a novel published in 2012, marked the return after five years of which fictional Scottish detective?

  John REBUS
- 4A St. Mirren FC play their home games in which Scottish town? PAISLEY
- 4B St. Johnstone FC play their home games in which Scottish town? PERTH

### **SPARES**

Which river enters the sea just south of Dundee? The TAY
The poet Robert Burns died in 1796 in which Scottish town?

DUMFRIES

# **ROUND FIVE**

# **WALES and WHALES**

- 1A Who is the First Minister of Wales (i.e. Leader of the Welsh Assembly)?

  Carwyn **JONES**
- 1B What are the letters equivalent to MP at Westminster that denote an elected member of the Welsh Assembly?

  AM

- 2A Which Welsh musician formed an influential rock band with the late Lou Reed, produced Patti Smith's first album and was the first artist to cover Leonard Cohen's song 'Hallelujah'?

  John CALE
- 2B Which Welsh entertainer chose the motto "Go On" for his or her coat of arms when honoured by the Queen in 1981?

  Harry **SECOMBE**
- 3A Gregory Peck starred in John Huston's film of 'Moby Dick', released in which year (allow 2 years either way)?

  1956
- 3B In which year did the International Whaling Commission ban commercial whaling (allow 2 years either way)?

  1986
- 4A According to the Biblical story, how long did Jonah spend in the belly of the whale?

  THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS
- 4B Which Biblical name, often translated as 'whale', was used by Thomas Hobbes in the title of his 1651 book of political philosophy?

  LEVIATHAN

At the beginning of the TV series 'Gavin and Stacey', Stacey lives in Barry Town, but in which town do Gavin and his family live?

BILLERICAY
In what year did Pontypridd-born Tom Jones have his first no. 1 hit with 'It's Not Unusual'?

1965

### **ROUND SIX**

# **ITALY**

- 1A The fictional detective Inspector Montalbano is based in which Italian region?
  - SICILY
- 1B Name the Franciscan friar played by Sean Connery in the 1986 film who investigates mysterious events in an Italian monastery in Umberto Eco's novel *The Name of the* Rose.

  William of BASKERVILLE
- 2A Serie A team Atalanta play their home games in which city?

  BERGAMO
- 2b Serie A team Sampdoria play their home games in which city? **GENOA (or GENOVA)**
- 3A Who (as of 29 October) is Prime Minister of Italy? Enrico **LETTA**
- 3B In September 2013 Silvio Berlusconi announced the re-launch of which political party, of which he had been the original leader in 1993?

  FORZA ITALIA

- 4A Name the island to the south west of Sicily which is one of the main points of entry into Europe for migrants from Africa, and has recently been in the news as a result of the sinking off its coast of a boat carrying many migrants.

  LAMPEDUSA
- 4B What is the English title of the novel, set in 19<sup>th</sup> century Sicily, by Giovanni Tomasi di Lampedusa, which was published posthumously in 1958 and made into a film starring Burt Lancaster in 1963?

  THE LEOPARD

In the 'Divine Comedy', Dante is guided through Hell and Purgatory by which much earlier poet?

VIRGIL

Name the river, the second longest in Italy, which flows through Verona. The ADIGE

#### **ROUND SEVEN**

## PRIME MINISTERS' QUESTIONS

The answer in every case is the name of a Prime Minister of Great Britain/the United Kingdom.

- 1A Born in Ireland in 1769, he denied being Irish and is reputed to have said: "If a gentleman happens to be born in a stable, it does not follow that he should be called a horse"?

  DUKE OF WELLINGTON
- 1B Born in 1792, he was the grandfather of a famous philosopher who wrote *Principia Mathematica*.

  Lord John **RUSSELL**
- 2A Born in 1804, he was also a novelist, whose works include *Coningsby*, *Sybil*, and *Tancred*.

  Benjamin **DISRAELI**
- 2B Born in 1764, he reputedly once received a gift of tea flavoured with bergamot oil, a variety of tea that now bears his name.

  Earl GREY
- 3A Born in 1943, he failed to get a job as a bus conductor because of his height.

  John MAJOR
- 3B Born in 1916, he was the founding President of the European Community Youth Orchestra (now the European Union Youth Orchestra)? Edward **HEATH**

4A Born in 1883, he composed this limerick about himself: Few thought he was even a starter.

There were many who thought themselves smarter.

But he finished PM,

CH and OM,

An earl and a Knight of the Garter.

Clement ATTLEE

4B Born in 1916, he was blamed by Basil Fawlty in an episode of *Fawlty Towers* for a fire extinguisher exploding in his face.

Harold **WILSON** 

#### **SPARES**

Born in 1863, he was accused in 1913 of speculating in Marconi shares on the inside information that they were about to be awarded a key government contract.

David **LLOYD GEORGE** 

Born in 1852, he was the great-grandfather of the actress Helena Bonham Carter.

Herbert **ASQUITH** 

### **ROUND EIGHT**

# THE IRISH QUESTION(S)

- 1B Name the fictional Dublin suburb that is the setting for the books and films *The Commitments*, *The Snapper* and *The Van*.

  BARRYTOWN
- 1B Who is the Irish screenwriter who co-wrote *Father Ted*, *Big Train*, *Black Books*, and *The IT Crowd*? Graham **LINEHAN**
- 2A Name the Irish-born scientist who formulated the law that the pressure of a gas is inversely proportional to its volume.

  Robert **BOYLE**
- 2B Name the mathematician, a Professor at Queen's College Cork, who invented a form of algebra where the values of the variables are true and false, rather than numbers?

  George **BOOLE**
- 3A Name the English singer, born in Davyhulme, Lancashire in 1959 to Irish parents, whose Christian names are Steven Patrick.

  MORRISSEY
- 3B Name the Irish author who wrote the *Artemis Fowl* series of children's books.

  Eoin (pronounced Owen) **COLFER**
- 4A Name the three Dublin-born writers who have won the Nobel Prize for Literature. (One point for each, all three needed for a pass.)

W.B. YEATS, George Bernard SHAW, Samuel BECKETT

4B Name the three counties that are in the historic province of Ulster but not in Northern Ireland. (One point for one, all three needed for a pass.) **DONEGAL, CAVAN, MONAGHAN** 

#### **SPARES**

What is the Irish national broadcaster called? (Initials suffice)

R.T.E.

Name the English singer of Irish descent who was born Declan MacManus in 1954.

**ELVIS COSTELLO**