This quiz is set by the Merchants, we do hope that it's enjoyable, balanced and not too specific, but it is a little harder than normal as it's a semi-final

Required answers are in BOLD CAPITALS.

Round 1 Merchants A by the Merchants A

Each question contains the name of a Merchants A team member. Please note it's the *questions not the answers* that refer to our members.

1a. What song, prominently featuring the word gigolo, was a hit for Neneh Cherry in 1988?

BUFFALO STANCE

1b. The song 'Joanna' was a hit for who in 1968?

SCOTT WALKER

2a. Isabel Hardman is assistant editor of which politics magazine?

THE SPECTATOR

2b. Which of Michael Jackson's children did he infamously dangle out of a hotel window as a baby?

PRINCE MICHAEL, also known as **BLANKET** and **BIGI** (accept any)

3a. AJ Cronin's novel Country Doctor was adapted as a long-running BBC TV and radio series. What was the series called?

DR FINLAY'S CASEBOOK

3b. Simon le Bon and his band Duran Duran provided the theme song for which Bond film?

A VIEW TO A KILL

4a. Andrew Lincoln played Edgar "Egg" Cooke in which cult 1990s Tv series?

THIS LIFE

4b. Which artist filled Tate Modern's Turbine Hall with porcelain sunflower seeds?

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SPARE

Which Merchant Ivory film of 1987 saw Hugh Grant perform in his first leading role?

MAURICE

Round 2 More places I've been on holiday

1a. Cagliari is the capital of where?

SARDINIA

1b. Name the town on Mount Parnassus where there was a famous temple of Apollo

DELPHI

2a. On what island is Brunei

BORNEO

2b. In which country was the second Grand Prix of this season on 31st March 2019

BAHRAIN

3a. In which wine state is the Napa Valley

CALIFORNIA

3b. In which wine state is the Barossa Valley

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

4a. What is the tallest building in New York officially known as

ONE WORLD TRADE CENTRE

4b. What are Panamax, Suezmax and Seawaymax

The largest **SHIPS** that fit down the Panama Canal, Suez Canal and St Lawrence Seaway

Spare

What are sink holes found in Mexico more specifically called?

CENOTES

What is the tallest building in the world

BURJ KHALIFA

Round 3 Science

Chemistry (Note: I am not good at chemistry. These question were taken from my 12-year-old son's homework.)

1a. Any neutralisation reaction of an acid plus a base produces water plus what?

A SALT

1b. What is the name of the energy required to convert a solid to a liquid, or a liquid to a gas, without a change of temperature?

LATENT HEAT.

Maths

2a. Which branch of mathematics uses the term SOHCAHTOA?

TRIGONOMETRY.

2b. What is the name of a straight line drawn from one side of a circle to another which does not pass through the centre point?

A CHORD.

Biology

3a. Inside which structure would you find a vacuole?

A CELL.

3b. What is the correct collective term for the external female sex organs?

VULVA.

Physics

4a. What is the common name for electromagnetic waves lying on the spectrum between radio waves and infrared?

MICROWAVES.

4b. Which is the only planet in the solar system which spins on its side?

URANUS.

Spare

What is the SI unit of the amount of a substance?

MOLE

Round 4 General knowledge. Every answer is a two-letter word.

1a. A magical land invented in 1900 by Frank L. Baum.

OZ

1b. Twenty-two divided by seven (approximately)

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2a. The Egyptian god of the sun, commonly represented with a falcon's head

RA (also accept RE)

2b. A celebrated poem of 1910, four lines of which appear over the players' entrance to Centre Court at Wimbledon

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3a. 2009 Disney Pixar movie. Only the second animated film to receive an Academy Award nomination for best picture.

UP

3b. First name by which the leader of the opposition at the time of the 2015 UK general election is commonly known.

ED

4a. 1986 horror novel by Stephen King that features Pennywise the Clown.

IT

4b. Fourth largest moon of Jupiter, named after a mistress of Zeus in Greek mythology who was transformed into a heifer.

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Spare:

The name of Sainsburys' in-house clothing brand

TU

First name of the character played by John Schneider in The Dukes of Hazzard

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Round 5 Picture Round: World Leaders past and present

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1a. A

GOLDA MEIR, ISRAEL

1b. E

Sheikh HASINA Wazed, BANGLADESH

2a. C

Helle THORNING-SCHMIDT, DENMARK

2b. [

PARK Geung-hye, SOUTH KOREA

3a. E

Dilma ROUSSEFF, BRAZIL

3b. F

Cristina Fernandez de KIRCHNER, ARGENTINA

4a. G

Julia **GILLARD**, **AUSTRALIA**

4b. F

Ellen JOHNSON-SIRLEAF, LIBERIA

Spare

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Kim CAMPBELL, CANADA

Round 6 Public personae

1a. Under what name did Irish comedian and actor David Tynan O'Mahony perform?

DAVE ALLEN

1b. By what name was the Brazilian footballer Manuel Francisco dos Santos better known?

GARRINCHA

2a. What is the public name of model, "author" and singer Katie Price?

JORDAN

2b. As what sort of animal is three-times Mayor of Hartlepool Stuart Drummond usually dressed when in public?

MONKEY (he is "H'Angus the Monkey")

3a. What was the big-headed public persona of comedian and singer Christopher Mark Sievey?

FRANK SIDEBOTTOM

3b. Under what name did professional wrestler Shirley Crabtree perform?

BIG DADDY

4a. Venetian mannerist painter Jacopo Robusti is best known for his works in the charitable foundations of St Mark and, particular, Saint Rocco. Under what name did he paint?

TINTORETTO

4b. What was the nom de guerre of Edward of Woodstock, eldest son of Edward III, who died before he could become King of England?

THE BLACK PRINCE

Spare

Dolores Ibarruri, whose slogan was "They shall not pass", broadcast radio propaganda in support of the Republicans during the Spanish Civil War. Under what name did she make those broadcasts?

LA PASIONARIA

How was the Second World War propagandist William Joyce better known?

LORD HAW HAW

What is the performing persona of Michael Peter Balzary, bassist with the Red Hot Chili Peppers?

FLEA

Round 7 Off to the shops: a round about retail

1a. Which retailer used to use the St Michael brand?

M&S (or MARKS AND SPENCER)

1b. Which major retailer markets the Florence and Fred, or F&F, clothing line?

TESCO

2a. What type of clothing do Evans stores specialise in?

PLUS-SIZE (accept something that indicates clothes for larger people)

2b. Accessorize sells goods such as handbags and scarves. What is its sister company that sells clothes?

MONSOON

3a. Which brand managed to become one of the world's largest jewellery companies on the back of charm bracelets?

PANDORA

3b. Which clothes chain for men got into hot water when one of the top brass described its core customers as 'football hooligans'?

TOPMAN

4a. Which current high street clothing chain was created by the merger of Chelsea Girl and Concept Man?

RIVER ISLAND

4b. Which stores caused a stir a few years ago by selling clothing in near-darkness?

HOLLISTER or **ABERCROMBIE & FITCH**

Spare

What does H&M stand for?

HENNES AND MAURITZ

Round 8 Initially speaking

1a. "Q Tips" are a well-known brand of cotton buds. What does the Q stand for?

QUALITY

1b. "E-numbers" on labels refer to food additives such as colourants and preservatives. What does the E stand for?

EUROPE (also accept **EUROPEAN**)

2a. The L-Word was a north American TV drama that ran from 2004-2008. What does the L stand for?

LESBIAN

2b. The "F-plan" was a popular diet programme introduced by Audrey Eyton in the 1980s. What does the F stand for?

FIBRE

3a. A "D-Notice" is an official request for news editors not to publish or broadcast stories on certain subjects. What does the D stand for?

DEFENCE

3b. "K-pop" is a genre of popular music that has emerged since the 1990s. What does the K stand for?

KOREA (also accept KOREAN)

4a. G-man is US slang for FBI agent. What does the G stand for?

GOVERNMENT

4b. A "J-cloth" is used for household cleaning. What does the J stand for?

JOHNSON & JOHNSON (also accept JOHNSON)

Spare:

R. Kelly is a now-disgraced America singer and producer. What does the R stand for?

ROBERT

K2 is the world's second-highest peak. What does the K stand for?

KARAKORAM

SPARE Round 9 General Knowledge

1a. Which capital city is nicknamed the "Forty Forties"?

MOSCOW

1b. Which capital city is nicknamed the "City of 72 Nations"?

TFHRAN

2a. What surname is shared by Bart Simpson's head teacher and the US psychologist (1904-1990) who pioneered Behaviourism?

SKINNER

2b. What surname is shared by Harry Potter's deputy head teacher and the self-taught writer (1825-1902) who has frequently been described as the "worst poet in the English language"?

MCGONAGALL

3a. What is the bodily activity oscitation more commonly known as?

YAWNING

3b. What is the bodily activity *bruxism* more commonly known as?

TEETH-GRINDING

4a. The Polich Tallix fine art foundry in New York are primarily known for manufacturing what items?

OSCAR statuettes (also accept **ACADEMY AWARD** statuettes)

4b. The architect Jørn Utzon was best known for designing which building?

SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE

Spare

How old was Teresa May when she became UK prime minister?

59

How old was Barack Obama when he became US president?

47

SPARE Round 10 GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1a. A 'cete' is the collective noun for which land animal?

BADGER

1b. A 'convocation' is the collective noun for which bird?

EAGLE

2a. Which musical instrument is mentioned in the title of a 1791 opera by Mozart?

FLUTE

2b Which musical instrument is mentioned in the title of a 1994 novel by Louis de Bernières?

MANDOLIN

3a In which team sport do the positions include "hole-set", "2-meter man" and "hole D"

WATER POLO

3b In which team sport is the overall score calculated from "Goals" (worth six points) and "Behinds" (worth one point)?

AUSSIE RULES FOOTBALL

- 4a Who was UK prime minster at the time of the Charge of the Light Brigade?
 - George HAMILTON-GORDON (also accept: Lord ABERDEEN)
- 4b Who was US president when British forces set the White House ablaze during the "Burning of Washington"?

James **MADISON**

Spare:

Which UK newspaper is currently (24 April 2019) edited by John Witherow?

THE TIMES

Which UK pop group were the first people to appear on Channel 5?

THE SPICE GIRLS

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