This week's quiz is set by the Merchants, we do hope that it's enjoyable, balanced and not too specific.

Required answers are in BOLD CAPITALS.

Round 1

Sharks & Rays

1a Which is the largest species of shark

WHALE Shark

1b Which is the largest species of Ray

giant oceanic MANTA Ray

2a Which zookeeper and conservationist was killed by a stingray

STEVE IRWIN

2b Which Actor killed Jaws in the first Jaws film

ROY SCHNEIDER

3a In the TV series Stingray what was the name of the mute mermaid

MARINA (accept AQUAMARINA)

3b Which film features The Sharks and The Jets

WEST SIDE STORY

4a Which controversial actress claims to have watched 'Shark Week' with Donald Trump

STORMY DANIELS

4b Name the song, relevant to this round, currently doing the rounds as the latest internet challenge

BABY SHARK

Spare

Which rays, that have a resemblance to sharks, have a name featuring a musical instrument

GUITAR FISH

Round 2 WATERWAYS

1a Which river rises in the Massif Central and flows into the Bay of Biscay at St Nazaire?

LOIRE

1b What is both the world's deepest river and crosses the equator twice?

CONGO

2a In which country is the world's longest canal?

CHINA

Which US river has fifteen dams on its main stem and is nicknamed the "River of Law" because it has been the subject of so many legal disputes?

COLORADO

3a Which Asian river is nicknamed the "Road to Mandalay"?

IRRAWADDY

3b What is the name of the subterranean London river part of which flows under Buckingham Palace?

TYBURN

4a In which decade was the Panama Canal opened to traffic?

1910s (1914)

4b Who was UK prime minister during the Suez Crisis?

EDEN

Spares

The Glomma is the longest river in which European country?

NORWAY

What is the name of the English canal stretches of which were accidentally drained by a holidaymaker in July 2018?

KENNET AND AVON

Round 3 Scrabble-accepted English towns

Each answer is the name of an English town (not city) which is also a Scrabble-accepted word. You will be given the county in which the town sits together with a line from the Oxford online definition and the part of speech.

1a Greater Manchester: Put or hide underground (v)

BURY

1b East Sussex: A sustained fight between large organized armed forces (n)

BATTLE

2a Norfolk: Speak disrespectfully to or criticise (informal) (v)

DISS

2b County Durham: The hooked staff of a shepherd (n)

CROOK

Staffordshire: A plant related to the onion, with flat overlapping leaves forming an elongated cylindrical bulb which together with the leaf bases is eaten as a vegetable (n)

LEEK

3b North Yorkshire: Resolve or reach an agreement about (an argument or problem) (v)

SETTLE

4a Kent: Take part in commercial trading of a particular commodity (v)

DEAL

4b Hampshire: Fast and nimble in movement (adj)

FLEET

Spares

Bedfordshire: (especially of hair) light yellowish brown (adj)

SANDY

Greater London: An implement consisting of a heavy frame set with teeth or tines which is dragged over ploughed land to break up clods, remove weeds, and cover seed (n)

HARROW

Round 4

Given the IATA Airport Code... and a further clue, which town or city is served by the following airports:

1a. DXB, Hot city with a shopping mall with a Ski Slope

DUBAI

1b BCN, City with a half built Basilica

BARCELONA

2a JNU, American state capital

JUNEAU

2b BIS, American State Capital

BISMARK

3a BIO, City with a famous Frank Gehry building

BILBAO

3b BRU, Home of the Atomium

BRUSSELS

4a CDG, City sacked by Vikings in 845

PARIS

4b FCO, Classical city founded on 21st April according to Plutarch (and others)

ROME

Spare

HNL, home of fictional former naval officer Steve McGarrett

HONOLULU

Round 5 Picture Round: Name the MP

- 1a A Angela **RAYNER**
- 1b B Stella CREASY
- 2a C Luciana BERGER
- 2b D Karen **BRADLEY**
- 3a E Priti **PATEL**
- 3b F Angela **EAGLE**
- 4a G Justine GREENING
- 4b H Sarah WOLLASTON

Spares

- I Amber **RUDD**
- J Emily THORNBERRY

Round 6 Numbers Each answer contains a number.

1a & 1b Given three clues, name the film.

1a Bruce Willis, Terry Gilliam and time travel:

TWELVE MONKEYS

1b Brad Pitt, David Fincher and a serial killer:

SEVEN

- 2a & 2b Given a section of lyric, name the song.
- 2a "I got my first real six-string, Bought it at the five-and-dime":

SUMMER OF 69 (Bryan Adams)

2b "Don't worry about a thing, 'Cause every little thing Gonna be all right":

THREE LITTLE BIRDS (Bob Marley)

3a & 3b Given a clue, name the book.

3a Sellar and Yeatman's romp through British history:

1066 AND ALL THAT

3b Dodie Smith relates the adventures of Pongo and Perdita:

101 DALMATIANS

- 4a & 4b Given a clue, name the TV show.
- 4a US show revolving around a family of undertakers:

SIX FEET UNDER

4b Kiefer Sutherland interminably averts disaster:

24

Spares

Film: Eminem, Curtis Hanson and a rap battle:

EIGHT MILE

Songs: "Everyone knows about it, From the Queen of England to the hounds of hell":

SEVEN NATION ARMY (White Stripes)

Books: Billy Pilgrim comes unstuck in time in Kurt Vonnegut's magnum opus:

SLAUGHTERHOUSE-FIVE

Dorothy L Sayers' novel about murder and bellringing:

THE NINE TAILORS

TV: Liz Lemon tries to run a TV sketch show while not going insane:

30 ROCK

Round 7 Sporting ignominy

Which Czech tennis player was World Number one for 270 weeks during the 1980s yet failed to ever win Wimbledon, losing the final twice in 1986 and 1987?

IVAN LENDL

1b Which horse, ridden by Dick Francis, was leading the 1956 Grand National when it slipped and fell just 40 yards from the finish line?

DEVON LOCH

Which US athlete tripped over Zola Budd during the 1984 Olympics 3,000 metre final, a race she was strong favourite to win?

MARY DECKER

Which Ukranian pole vaulter, a Nike advertising icon, holder of multiple world records and the first man to clear 6 metres, was odds-on title favourite at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics, yet crashed out immediately, failing to clear all three of his first round jumps?

SERGEIY BUBKA

3a Which is the only NFL team to have lost the Superbowl on five separate occasions?

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

Which Asian team conceded 145 points against New Zealand in the 1995 Rugby World Cup, the record number of points conceded in a game in that tournament?

JAPAN

4a Which team lost 1-0 to West Germany in the 1990 World Cup Final, thus becoming the first team to fail to score a goal in the final?

ARGENTINA

In the 1981 Headingly Ashes Test, Australia made England follow on but then lost after scoring just 111 in their second innings. Which English bowler precipitated this collapse by taking eight second innings wickets?

BOB WILLIS

Spares

Which team accepted bribes to deliberately lose the 1919 World Series, leading to prosecution and lifetime bans for 8 players?

CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Which team lost 36-0 to Arbroath in an 1885 Scottish FA Cup tie, a record defeat in Scottish football?

BON ACCORD

Round 8 General Knowledge

1a Released in 1967, which James Bond film is set almost entirely in Japan?

YOU ONLY LIVE TWICE

1b Which film, set entirely in India, received the 2008 Oscar for best picture?

SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE

2a What is the age of criminal responsibility in England and Wales?

10

2b What is the minimum age at which someone can become US president?

35

3a In maths, what is the term for a number that is the sum of its divisors?

A **PERFECT** number

3b In the SI system, what is the standard unit for temperature?

KELVIN

The son of a British colonial official, John Clayton is a well-known fictional character who first appeared in a story published in 1912. He has subsequently appeared in dozens of books, films, TV shows and comic strips. By what name is this character better known?

TARZAN

4b Sir Percy Blakeney is a fictional character who was created by Baroness Orczy in 1903. By what alias is he better known?

THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL

Spare

What is the given name of the current King of Spain?

FELIPE (VI)

Round 5 MPs



Became a gran a few months ago



Payday loan campaigner



Critic of Corbyn over Labour antisemitism



Secretary of State for Northern Ireland



Enjoys having meetings while on her hols



Is a twin



First gay woman in Cabinet



Used to be a GP



Has a tiny majority



Problems with flags and vans