

LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE: 24th February 2025

Quiz set by Three Mariners B

Answers are in bold. Unless specified surnames are sufficient

Round 1

Given a Sequence, What Comes Next?

1a	Becher's Brook, Foinavon, Canal Turn	Valentine's Brook (Grand National Fences)
1b	Old Kent Road, Community Chest, Whitechapel Road.	Income Tax (Pay £200) (Monopoly Properties)
2a	Sergeant, Nurse, Teacher	Constable (Carry on Films)
2b	England, Brazil, West Germany	Argentina (World Cup Winners)
3a	Ted Hughes, Andrew Motion, Carol Ann Duffy.	Simon Armitage (Poets Laureate)
3b	Columbia, Challenger, Discovery	Atlantis (Space Shuttles)
4a	Paul VI, John Paul I, John Paul II	Benedict XVI (Popes)
4b	Edward George, Mervyn King, Mark Carney	Andrew Bailey (Governors of the Bank of England)
Spare	Roy Plomley, Michael Parkinson, Sue Lawley	Kirsty Young (Desert Island Discs Presenters)

Round 2

A Capital Round – All Questions concern facts and figures about Capital Cities

1a	The Beehive is the common name for the Parliament Building in which capital city?	Wellington
1b	Which is the driest capital city in the world with an average rainfall of just 2.29mm of rain per annum.	Lima
2a	Which is considered to be the oldest capital city in the world, continually inhabited since the year 661?	Damascus
2b	Which is the only country in the world that does not have an official capital city?	Nauru (only 12,000 population)
3a	Caused by excessive groundwater extraction, which capital city is one of the fastest sinking cities in the world, and is being replaced by the completely new city of Nusantara, expected to be completed in 2045?	Jakarta (Indonesia)
3b	In what year did Canberra become the capital of Australia?	1913 *
4a	Which is the only capital city to feature in the title of a Play by William Shakespeare?	Athens (Timon of Athens)
4b	Which European capital city has the longest name?	Andorra La Vella
Spare	In which capital city would you find the most vending machines? (more than 5.5 million)	Tokyo

* Allow 3 years either way - 1910 - 1916

Round 3
The last trump

Now that the Anti-Christ is back in the White House, the end of the world can surely not be far off. Time for some revision.

1a	Which book of the Christian Bible predicts the events which will occur at the end of the world?	The Book of Revelation or The Book of the Apocalypse .
1b	What apocalyptic battle does the Book of Revelation predict will be fought at the ruined Bronze Age city of Megiddo in Israel?	Armageddon
2a	According to the Book of Revelation, who is the rider on a pale horse?	Death
2b	In Viking mythology, what is the name of the final battle between the gods and the giants at the end of the world?	Ragnarok
3a	Which group had a hit in 1987 with the song 'It's the End of the World as we Know it (and I feel fine)'?	REM
3b	Which British actor, comedian and screenwriter both co-wrote and starred in the 2013 sci-fi comedy movie The World's End?	Simon Pegg
4a	What ology is concerned with the study of the end of the world and the end times?	Eschatology
4b	Heat Death, the Big Rip and the Big Crunch are theoretical scientific scenarios for the end of what?	The universe
Spare	Which nuclear scientist, quoting the Bhagavad Gita, said "Now, I am become Death, the destroyer of worlds" after the first successful atomic bomb test in 1945?	Robert Oppenheimer

Round 4
A general sciencey round

1a	Name one of the radioactive elements discovered by Marie and Pierre Curie	Radium and Polonium
1b	What was added to the water in Birmingham in 1964?	Fluoride
2a	Under construction in Chile, what is the ELT?	Extremely Large Telescope.
2b	The Rubber-Keyed Wonder is a film about which computer	ZX Spectrum
3a	Which Darwinian phrase was actually coined by Herbert Spencer?	Survival of the fittest.
3b	Which medical remedy was derived from cinchona bark?	Quinine
4a	In AI computing, what is an LLM?	Large language model.
4b	Which metal has the highest melting point	Tungsten
Spare	What was the first spacecraft to fly beyond Mars?	Pioneer 10

Round 5
The natural world

1a	At about 1,500 square miles, A23a is the world's largest what?	Iceberg_
1b	What was last held on the Thames in 1814?	Frost Fair
2a	In Japan, what natural attraction is sakura?	Cherry blossoms
2b	The nerpa is a seal found only in which freshwater lake?	Lake Baikal_
3a	Tapioca comes from the root of which plant?	Cassava (manioc).
3b	Pele's hair and Pele's tears are made from what?	Cooled lava . (Pele is Hawaiian goddess of volcanoes)
4a	What is the largest living reptile?	Saltwater crocodile_
4b	Which fruit is affected by noble rot?	Grapes._
Spare	<i>Nessiteras rhombopteryx</i> was a proposed scientific name for what?	Loch Ness monster (by naturalist Peter Scott)_

Round 6
Museums: All questions are about Museums in England

1a	In which city is the Thackray Museum of Medicine?	LEEDS
1b	Where would you find the National Coal Mining Museum?	WAKEFIELD
2a	Where would you find the Northern site of the National Museum of the Royal Navy?	HARTLEPOOL
2b	Where is the National Motor Museum located?	BEAULIEU (New Forest)
3a	In which city can you visit the Fitzwilliam Museum?	CAMBRIDGE
3b	What is the name of the National Children's Museum?	EUREKA (Halifax)
4a	Where is the British Lawnmower Museum?	SOUTHPORT
4b	Where is the Derwent Pencil Museum?	KESWICK
Spare	Where is the Laurel and Hardy Museum?	ULVERSTON

**Round 7
Company logos**

1a	Which animal is used in the Hermes fashion logo?	HORSE
1b	Which animal features on the Lamborghini badge?	BULL
2a	Which creature is on the ING Bank logo?	LION
2b	Which fashion brand uses a crocodile as its logo?	LACOSTE
3a	The Swarovski logo and the Vanderbilt perfume logo both use which bird?	SWAN
3b	Which animal is featured in the Bacardi logo?	BAT
4a	Which animal is seen in the Toblerone logo?	BEAR
4b	Which flower is used in the Lancome Cosmetics logo?	ROSE
Spare	Which creature is used on the Slazenger logo?	PANTHER

**Round 8
General**

1a	The desk lamp Luxo Jr is a mascot of which film company?	Disney Pixar
1b	Who asked President Nixon to make him a "federal agent at large" in 1970?	Elvis Presley
2a	Which woman posed for, and exhibited with, the pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood?	Elizabeth Siddal
2b	Which artist brought his pet anteater on to a US talkshow in 1971?	Salvador Dali
3a	Who is Katherina Minola in the title of a Shakespeare play?	The shrew in The Taming of the Shrew.
3b	Which novel's first line dismisses "all that David Copperfield kind of crap"?	The Catcher in the Rye
4a	What is the liturgical language of Egyptian Christianity?	Coptic.
4b	Which US city reversed the flow of its river in 1900?	Chicago.
Spare	Stamps with "Island" on them come from which country?	Iceland.