

LANCASTER CITY QUIZ LEAGUE: 3 NOVEMBER 2025

Quiz set by The Dog and Partridge.

Please note: Surnames (only) will be accepted unless otherwise stated at the start of a round. Required elements of answers **IN BOLD CAPITALS**.

Round 1

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1a	In which U.S. city will you find the Gateway Arch?	ST LOUIS
1b	Name the U.S. city that is home to Brigham Young University and the headquarters of the Mormon faith?	SALT LAKE CITY
2a	Which State is home to 'The Grand Ole Opry' in Nashville?	TENNESSEE
2b	Which State is known as the Blue Grass State and has Frankfort as its Capitol?	KENTUCKY
3a	Which US city was the birthplace of Tamla Motown music?	DETROIT
3b	Which city is a centre of Soul Music with the legendary Stax records label founded there in 1957?	MEMPHIS
4a	The 'Empire Builder' train begins its long journey west in Chicago. It divides in Spokane before reaching its final destination(s). Name one of the two final destinations of this train.	SEATTLE or PORTLAND
4b	The 'California Zephyr' is a scenic and historic daily service beginning in Emeryville (San Francisco) travelling west to its destination in which city, 51 hours later?	CHICAGO
Sp	Musically, which train began its journey at "Track 29, Pennsylvania Station about a quarter to 4"?	THE CHATANOOGA CHOO COO

Round 2

'NAME THE YEAR'

Given the 3 clues, identify the year.

(No leeway – exact answer required).

1a	German pilot Mathias Rust evades air defences and lands in Red Square, Moscow. The FA Cup is won by Coventry City who beat Spurs 3-2 in the final. The album 'Bad' by Michael Jackson was released.	1987
1b	The movie 'Titanic' becomes the 1 st to gross 1 billion U.S. Dollars at the box office.	1998

	Wimbledon singles champions are Pete Sampras and Jana Novotna. The signing of the Belfast / Good Friday Agreement takes place.	
2a	The Watergate Scandal breaks in America. The Grand National is won in record time by Red Rum. Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips marry in Westminster Abbey.	1973
2b	In the UK, new TV programmes Match of the Day and Top of the Pops are launched. Cassius Clay becomes World Heavyweight Boxing Champion. Julie Andrews stars in the new film "Mary Poppins".	1964
3a	Apple launches the first iPhone. Gordon Brown replaces Tony Blair as UK Prime Minister. Padraig Harrington pips Sergio Garcia to win The Open Golf Championship at Carnoustie.	2007
3b	A devastating earthquake strikes Haiti with an estimated 230,000 deaths ensuing. Chelsea beat Portsmouth in the FA Cup Final, both teams missed penalties. David Morris become MP for Morecambe and Lunesdale.	2010
4a	James Callaghan becomes UK Prime Minister. Romanian Nadia Comaneci scores a 'perfect 10' in the Olympics Gymnastics competition. Artist LS Lowry dies.	1976
4b	Stevie Wonder is born. The Archers is first broadcast in pilot form on BBC Midlands Home Service. (It was broadcast nationally the following year). England's footballers lose 0-1 to the USA in the 1st round of the World Cup.	1950
Sp	Francis Chichester completes his round the world voyage. Foinaven wins the Grand National at odds of 100-1. Dustin Hoffman and Anne Bancroft star in the film 'The Graduate', released this year.	1967

Round 3
LITERATURE

Given the opening line of the novel, and the author's initials (in brackets). Name the well-known book.

1a	"It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen." (G.O)	1984
1b	"It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife." (J.A.)	PRIDE AND PREJUDICE
2a	"All happy families are alike; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way." (L.T.)	ANNA KARENINA
2b	"It was a pleasure to burn." (R.B)	FARENHEIT 451
3a	"All children, except one, grow up." (J.M.B.)	PETER PAN
3b	"Far out in the uncharted backwaters of the unfashionable end of the western spiral arm of the Galaxy lies a small unregarded yellow sun." (D.A.)	THE HITCHHIKER'S GUIDE TO THE GALAXY
4a	"If you really want to hear about it, the first thing you'll probably want to know is where I was born, and what my lousy childhood was like...and all that David Copperfield kind of crap, but I don't feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth." (J.D.S)	THE CATCHER IN THE RYE
4b	"A squat grey building of only thirty-four storeys. Over the main entrance the words, CENTRAL LONDON HATCHERY AND CONDITIONING CENTRE, and, in a shield, the World State's motto, COMMUNITY, IDENTITY, STABILITY." (A.H.)	BRAVE NEW WORLD
Sp	"'Where's Papa going with that axe?' said Fern to her mother as they were setting the table for breakfast." (E.B.W.)	CHARLOTTE'S WEB

Round 4
BRITISH RIVERS

1a	Name the river that flows through the towns of Tadcaster, Ilkey and Wetherby.	WHARFE
1b	Which river passes through Hereford, Monmouth and Chepstow?	WYE
2a	Which major river empties into the North Sea at The Wash near Kings Lynn?	GREAT OUSE
2b	Name the river that rises in the Cheviot Hills and discharges into the North Sea near the tourist village of Amble.	COQUET
3a	Great Mitton, near Clitheroe, is close to the confluence of which two rivers? <i>(1 point for one, 3 points for 2. Both needed for a pass)</i>	RIBBLE and HODDER

3b	Tewkesbury in Gloucestershire is the site of the confluence of which two major rivers? <i>(1 point for one, 3 points for 2. Both needed for a pass)</i>	SEVERN and AVON
4a	Which river in Hampshire is often referred to as the most important chalk stream in Britain? It is regarded as the birthplace of modern dry fly-fishing.	TEST
4b	Which Welsh seaside resort stands at the mouth of the River Clwyd?	RHYL
Sp	This river's valley is home to over 50 whisky distilleries; it flows northwards into the sea at the Moray Firth.	SPEY

Round 5

SPORT

Questions 1a to 2b: you will be given the name of a prominent sporting team. Name the sport.

Questions 3a to 4b are general sports questions.

1a	Go Ahead Eagles	FOOTBALL <i>(A team in the Dutch Eredivisie)</i>
1b	Lucknow Super Giants	CRICKET <i>(An Indian Premier League franchise team)</i>
2a	London Pulse	NETBALL <i>(A Super League team)</i>
2b	Vodacom Bulls (formerly Blue Bulls)	RUGBY UNION <i>(A noted South African club side)</i>
3a	Golf. At which course will the 2026 men's Open Championship be played?	ROYAL BIRKDALE
3b	The average NFL game takes over 3 hours to complete but how many actual minutes are there on the game clock?	60 MINUTES
4a	The Seahawks are a professional American football team based in which city?	SEATTLE
4b	Nicknamed "The Golden Bear", which golfer became the youngest and oldest player to win the Masters - in 1963 and 1986 respectively?	JACK NICKLAUS
Sp	What is the term for three strikes in a row in 10 pin bowling?	A TURKEY

Round 6
BRITISH POLITICS
(FULL NAMES REQUIRED)

1a	Who was the first politician from an Asian background to hold one of the 4 Great Offices of State (Prime Minister, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Home Secretary, Foreign Secretary)?	SAJID JAVID (Home Sec. 2018)
1b	Who is the last politician to have held all 4 of the Great Offices of State?	JAMES CALLAGHAN
2a	What name is given to the pair of Parliamentary Acts in 1707 that led directly to the establishment of Great Britain as a legal entity?	ACT OF UNION
2b	In what year was the Scottish Independence referendum held?	2014
3a	Sir Lindsay Hoyle MP, Speaker of the House of Commons, represents which constituency?	CHORLEY
3b	Nigel Farage MP, leader of the Reform Party, is MP for which constituency?	CLACTON
4a	Who is the current Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and has represented Wigan as MP since 2010?	LISA NANDY
4b	Who preceded Cat Smith as the MP for Lancaster and Fleetwood? He held the seat from 2010 – 2015.	ERIC OLLERENSHAW
Sp	In 1812, who became the first and only UK Prime Minister to be assassinated?	SPENCER PERCIVAL

Round 7
‘FIRSTS AND LASTS’
Each question contains the word ‘first’ or ‘last’.

1a	According to the Bible, in the Book of Genesis, who was the first person to die?	ABEL
1b	Name the last Book in the Old Testament. It deals with God's judgment for sin and unfaithfulness but also offers a message of hope for a coming Messiah and the purification of Israel.	MALACHI
2a	Which actor took the role of Idi Amin in the film “The Last King of Scotland”?	FORREST WHITTAKER
2b	Who was the first British male to win the Tour de France in 2012?	BRADLEY WIGGINS
3a	In which small local village, Postcode LA3 3HR, would you find the addresses ‘First Row’ and ‘Second Row’?	SUNDERLAND POINT

3b	With which television quiz show, first aired in 1998, do you associate the phrase 'Fastest Finger First'?	WHO WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE?
4a	Name the incoming, first female Archbishop of Canterbury. She is currently Bishop of London.	SARAH MULLALLY
4b	Name the last Catholic Archbishop of Canterbury. He held office from 1556 – 1558.	REGINALD POLE
Sp	Name the ex-Member of Parliament who wrote the novel "First Among Equals" amongst many others?	JEFFREY ARCHER

**Round 8
GENERAL**

1a	The famous 'white horse' FA Cup Final was the first match played at Wembley Stadium in 1923. Which two teams were in the final? <i>(Both teams needed, no points for only one correct)</i>	BOLTON WANDERERS, WEST HAM UTD
1b	The 'new' Wembley Stadium was opened in 2007. Who were the teams who competed in the FA Cup Final at Wembley in May 2007? <i>(Both teams needed, no points for only one correct)</i>	CHELSEA, MANCHESTER UTD
2a	According to popular historical legend, what game was being played on Plymouth Hoe on 20 July 1588?	BOWLS
2b	How many times has a British yacht won the oldest major international sporting trophy, The Americas Cup?	NONE
3a	The United States has 13 States that have land borders with Canada. For 3 points: name 5 of the States. For 2 points: name 4 States. For one point: name 3 States. <i>(5 States needed for a Pass)</i>	ALASKA, IDAHO, MAINE, MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA, MONTANA, NEW HAMPSHIRE, NEW YORK, NORTH DAKOTA, OHIO, PENNSYLVANIA, VERMONT, WASHINGTON

3b	Northern Ireland is composed of 6 Counties. For 3 points: name 4 counties. For 2 points: name 3 counties. For 1 point: name 2 counties. <i>(4 Counties needed for a Pass)</i>	ANTRIM, ARMAGH, DOWN, FERMANAGH, LONDONDERRY, TYRONE
4a	With sales of approximately 70 million copies worldwide; name the biggest selling album of all time.	THRILLER by Michael Jackson
4b	With sales of nearly 2 million copies; name the biggest selling Beatles single in the United Kingdom? <i>(NOT worldwide)</i>	SHE LOVES YOU
Sp	On a London Underground map, which line is coloured dark blue?	PICCADILLY LINE