



Macclesfield Quiz League

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2017–18 Season: Plate Final – 25 September 2018

1	In which sport was Allison Fisher the first woman to turn professional?
	Pool or snooker (accept either; she plays both.)
2	What does a chiromancer profess to be able to do?
	Tell people's fortunes by reading their palms
3	Which tree produces the pecan nut?
	The hickory tree
4	What is the hobby of a gricer?
	Trainspotting
5	Which botanical symbol is used by the Countryside Agency to mark its National Trails?
	An acorn
6	Which Dickens character's name was used to refer to an umbrella?
	Mrs. (Sarah) Gamp
7	In which county is Market Rasen racecourse?
	Lincolnshire
8	What type of farm livestock are Dorkings, Jersey Giants and Brahmas?
	Chickens
9	What is the Scottish equivalent of a barrister?
	An advocate
10	According to the Bible, who sold his birthright to his younger twin Jacob for a mess of pottage?
	Esau
11	According to the Bible, who replaced Judas as one of the apostles?
	Matthias
12	In music, which note is written on the middle line of the treble stave?
	B
13	David Bowie changed his name in 1966 to avoid having the same one as which other British International pop star?
	Davy Jones (of The Monkees)
14	What was the only tune that Tom Tom the Piper's Son could play?
	Over the Hills and Far Away
15	Which character, called the greatest ever ace pilot, was played by Denis Lawson in the original <i>Star Wars</i> film trilogy?
	Wedge Antilles
16	Actor and comedian Steve Martin is an accomplished performer on which instrument?
	The banjo (he often tours)



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17	Which James Cameron film earned \$500 million in just 32 days in 2009?
	Avatar
18	How old was the Dancing Queen in the hit song by Abba?
	Seventeen
19	Also known as kadle dock, which common weed is poisonous to horses and cattle but not to sheep?
	Ragwort
20	Bobby and Jackie Charlton come from a famous footballing family in which four uncles were professional footballers. What was their surname?
	Milburn
21	Which letter of the alphabet is the prefix of aircraft registration codes in the UK?
	G
22	Which is the most famous wine growing area of California?
	The Napa Valley (accept Sonoma Valley)
23	Which football team acquired the title The Centurions this May?
	Manchester City (they became the first team to amass 100 points in the English top flight)
24	Booksellers W. H. Smith, to celebrate its 225 years in business, organised a poll to find the nation's favourite book. Which book by Daphne du Maurier won?
	Rebecca
25	Which Irish port, close to Cork City, was the Titanic's last port of call in 1912?
	Cobh (pronounced Cove; accept Queenstown , the name by which it was known at the time)
26	Who is the high-profile Tory Member of Parliament for Uxbridge and South Ruislip?
	Boris Johnson
27	Who was apparently relieved of the responsibility of directing the next James Bond film, in August 2018, due to "creative differences"?
	Danny Boyle
28	Which King of England was born in Le Mans, France in 1133, married Eleanor of Aquitaine, and died in 1189?
	Henry the Second
29	November 2018 will see the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the First World War. What was the name of the forest in France where it was signed?
	Compiègne
30	What was unusual about the Glastonbury Music Festival this year?
	There wasn't one (the farmland site was rested for the land to recuperate from the effects of the previous few years)
31	Which Austrian Art Nouveau painter, born in 1862 and died in 1918, painted <i>The Kiss</i> and <i>Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer</i> ?
	Gustav Klimt
32	Who was the British Prime Minister at the time World War One ended?
	David Lloyd George



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33	In which US state would you find the towns of Naples, Clearwater and Saint Pete's?
	Florida
34	On which planet in the Solar System can the Great Red Spot be seen?
	Jupiter
35	Which company, founded in 2003, has set out to accelerate the world's transition to sustainable energy, especially by the development of electric cars?
	Tesla
36	Who (as of half past two yesterday afternoon) is the manager of Macclesfield Town?
	Mark Yates
37	The Rewind Festival was held again this summer at which local venue?
	Capesthorpe Hall
38	Which city in Indonesia has recently been dubbed "The fastest sinking city in the world?"
	Jakarta
39	The late great Aretha Franklin was literally crowned onstage in 1968, with which title?
	Queen of Soul
40	Since a rule change in 2001, what is the minimum number of points required to win a game in Table Tennis?
	Eleven
41	Miranda and Oberon are two of the moons of which planet?
	Uranus
42	Which gland in the human body is enlarged in the condition known as goitre?
	The thyroid
43	What was created as a distinct part of the United Kingdom on May 3rd 1921?
	Northern Ireland
44	Which of our planets has a moon called Titan?
	Saturn
45	What can be defined as metric, Whitworth or BSF?
	They're different sizes of thread , on a bolt or screw
46	Mount Toubkal is the highest mountain in which range?
	The Atlas mountains
47	Which American city is adjacent to the Niagara Falls?
	Buffalo
48	Which noted artist painted the Pears soap advertising poster known as Bubbles?
	Sir John Millais
49	In men's foil fencing, how many hits or touches are required to win a game?
	Five
50	What word connects tenon, mitre, jig and keyhole?
	They're types of saw



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51	Which musical features the song <i>I Know Him So Well</i> ?
	Chess
52	Funchal is the capital of which island?
	Madeira
53	Which sport includes a variation called clout shooting?
	Archery (the clout is a flag)
54	The Holy Crown of St. Stephen was returned to which country by the USA in 1978, after being held for safekeeping since the end of WWII?
	Hungary
55	Which American singer and entertainer lost his left eye in a car accident in 1954?
	Sammy Davis Junior
56	Which system of photography was invented by Edwin Land in 1947?
	The Polaroid camera
57	What was the primary role of the French port of La Rochelle under German occupation during the second world war?
	It was a major U-boat base
58	What title is usually given to the president of a yacht club?
	Commodore
59	Which astronomer first discovered that the universe was expanding?
	Edwin Hubble
60	Which 20th century conflict was ended by the Treaty of Portsmouth?
	The Russo-Japanese war (of 1904-5)
61	On the human body, a 'keloid' is a type of what?
	Scar
62	During which year did Yuri Gagarin become the first human to travel into outer space?
	1961
63	How many children did Queen Victoria have?
	9 (Victoria (Princess Royal), Edward VII, Alice, Alfred (Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha), Helena, Louise, Arthur (Duke of Connaught and Strathearn), Leopold (Duke of Albany) and Beatrice)
64	Which laws of 1797 made trade unions punishable as a conspiracy?
	The Combination Acts
65	By what name is the pop musician born in 1971, whose real name is Florian Cloud de Bouneville Armstrong, better known?
	Dido
66	By what name is the actress born in 1945, whose real name is Ilyena Lydia Vasilievna Mironov, better known?
	Helen Mirren
67	What is the capital of Morocco?
	Rabat



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68	What is the capital of the German state of Bavaria?
	Munich
69	At which course are the Coventry Stakes run?
	Ascot
70	In darts, what is the lowest score that is impossible to make with just a single dart?
	23
71	Which river runs through Canterbury?
	The Stour
72	Which African country has the highest population?
	Nigeria (approximately 186 million – it's the seventh most populous country in the world)
73	In which fictional county did Anthony Trollope set a series of novels?
	Barsetshire
74	What is the name of Caractacus Potts's 12-cylinder, eight-litre, supercharged Paragon Panther?
	Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
75	Who said: "You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time."
	Abraham Lincoln
76	Who said: "The unexamined life is not worth living."
	Socrates
77	Which British actor played Lucius Malfoy in the Harry Potter film series?
	Jason Isaacs
78	According to the World Boxing Association, which weight class is just below heavyweight?
	Cruiserweight
79	Which legendary US film actor got his first leading role in the 1930 western <i>The Big Trail</i> ?
	John Wayne
80	Which character in the original <i>Star Trek</i> series was played by DeForest Kelly?
	Dr. Leonard McCoy
81	Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was the first ever president of which country?
	Bangladesh
82	What was the real first name of Che Guevara?
	Ernesto
83	"Hey rainmaker, come away from that man" was the opening lyric from which song, a Top Ten hit for two different acts in 1971 and 1990?
	Step On (John Kongos and the Happy Mondays)
84	What is the English name for Yom Kippur – the holiest festival in the Jewish calendar, held nine days after the Jewish New Year?
	The Day of Atonement



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85	The region known to the ancient Romans as Lusitania corresponded approximately to which modern country?
	Portugal
86	Which engagement between German and Soviet forces, in July and August 1943, has been described as the greatest tank battle in history?
	Kursk
87	What is formed when a very large supernova collapses into its core?
	A black hole
88	For what work was Albert Einstein awarded the Nobel Prize in 1921?
	An explanation of the photoelectric effect
89	To which county did the island of Anglesey belong from 1974 to 1996?
	Gwynedd
90	Which island was formerly known as Van Dieman's Land?
	Tasmania
91	Who was the mother of Queen Mary I?
	Catherine of Aragon
92	Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983 and was President of his country from 1990 to 1995?
	Lech Walesa
93	Which actress changed her name to distinguish herself from her sister Olivia de Havilland?
	Joan Fontaine
94	Which singer and front man's stage name is a shortened version of the Latin for 'good voice'?
	Bono
95	What was the name of the USA's only space station?
	Skylab
96	In the acronym BASIC, meaning a computer language, what does the B stand for?
	Beginner's (Beginner's All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code)
97	Which St Petersburg museum is said to be the largest in the world?
	The Hermitage
98	How are Olga, Masha and Irina Prozorov described in the title of one of Chekov's plays?
	The Three Sisters
99	In which royal residence was Prince Charles born?
	Buckingham Palace
100	In which year did Great Britain join what would become the European Union?
	1973
101	Name either of the countries involved in the Winter War of 1939–40.
	Finland or Soviet Union (accept Russia)
102	Springfield is the capital of which US state?
	Illinois



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103	Who invented the vulcanisation of rubber?
	Charles Goodyear
104	Who discovered X-rays?
	Wilhelm Röntgen
105	In which US state is Mount Rushmore?
	South Dakota
106	Of which country are the Galapagos Islands a province?
	Ecuador
107	Which artist founded the Cubist movement in collaboration with Pablo Picasso?
	Georges Braque
108	Who has written children's books entitled <i>Gangsta Granny</i> and <i>Grandpa's Great Escape</i> ?
	David Walliams
109	Which sport was invented by James Naismith?
	Basketball
110	Which male actor played the headmistress in the original St Trinians films?
	Alistair Sim
111	Lewis Carroll was born Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, in which Cheshire village?
	Daresbury
112	Which World War Two American General was based for a time at Peover Hall near Knutsford?
	General George S. Patton
113	Which city is served by MacDonald–Cartier International Airport?
	Ottawa
114	Which city is served by Heydar Aliyev International Airport?
	Baku
115	8 minutes and 47.8 seconds is the fastest ever winning time for what race?
	The Grand National
116	Which country has a national anthem entitled <i>Wilhelmus</i> , which can be translated as the name 'William'?
	The Netherlands
117	In Morse Code, which letter is represented by a single dash?
	T
118	Which evil mythological creature was part woman and part bird, having a human face and the wings and claws of a bird?
	Harpy
119	Which river flows through the city of Durham?
	The Wear
120	What was the first name of the unusually competent American waitress in Fawlty Towers?
	Polly



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Supplementaries:

1	What is the platform on a skateboard known as?
	The deck
2	On which Scottish Island did St Columba establish a monastery in AD 563?
	Iona
3	Which part of a medieval castle is the donjon?
	The innermost keep
4	Which small species of deer escaped from Woburn Abbey parklands in 1925 and has now established itself throughout the countryside?
	The muntjac
5	Taking its name from a popular children's story, what name is used to describe an area surrounding a star that has suitable conditions to support liquid water?
	The Goldilocks zone
6	For which 1994 film did Robert Zemeckis win a Directing Oscar?
	Forrest Gump
7	Who was the only US president to serve two non-consecutive terms?
	Grover Cleveland
8	In which European country does most of the population write in Bokmal script?
	Norway
9	For what 1983 novel, which was later filmed, did Alice Walker win a Pulitzer Prize?
	The Color Purple
10	Who held the post of US president at the time of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II?
	Dwight D. Eisenhower (2 June 1953)
11	How many cards are there in the original version of the board game Cluedo?
	21 (6 suspects, 6 weapons and 9 rooms)
12	To whom is the famous quote "Be the change that you wish to see in the world" attributed?
	Mahatma Gandhi
13	Who is the current Wimbledon Women's Singles champion?
	Angelique Kerber
14	In which country was Amal Clooney (the wife of George Clooney) born?
	Lebanon
15	How many moons does the planet Venus have?
	None
16	What is the name of the former director of the FBI who was sacked by President Trump in May 2017 over his handling of the inquiry into Hillary Clinton's emails?
	James Comey
17	What is the capital of Vietnam?
	Hanoi



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18	Who was the mother of King Henry VIII?
	Elizabeth of York

Tie breakers:

1	Last night saw the nearest Full Moon to the Autumn Equinox – known as the Harvest Moon. The next Full Moon will be the Hunter's Moon. What is the exact time, in days, hours, minutes and seconds, between two full moons?
	29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes, 3 seconds.

If that fails to separate the teams, try this one:

2	What was the value of the FTSE 100 Share Index (to two decimal places) at 17:23 this afternoon?
	7,507.56