

2018–19 Season: Week 17 – 19 March 2019

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Specialist Rounds

The Specialist rounds are:

1. Arts & Entertainment
2. 20th Century Assassinations/Attempts
3. Geography
4. History
5. Science
6. Sport
7. Animals in Fiction
8. Your Daily Bread

Round 1: Arts & Entertainment

1	Soon to tour again for the first time in fifteen years, which UK singer-songwriter was born Florian Cloud de Bouneville Armstrong?
	Dido
2	Which entertainment company was founded in 1979 by Bob and Harvey Weinstein?
	Miramax
3	Who preceded Carol Ann Duffy as poet laureate?
	Andrew Motion
4	In Greek mythology, which consort of Zeus gave birth to King Minos, the keeper of the Minotaur?
	Europa (accept Pasiphae)
5	Which famous author wrote a series of short novels between 1977 and 1982 under the <i>nom-de-plume</i> Richard Bachman?
	Stephen King
6	J. R. R. Tolkien was born in which country?
	South Africa
7	Who composed the music to the Threepenny Opera?
	Kurt Weill
8	Lin Manuel Miranda wrote the music, lyrics and book to which hit musical?
	Hamilton

Supplementaries:

1	Which composer's second marriage was to the daughter of the Hungarian composer Franz Liszt?
	Richard Wagner
2	What's name of the title character in Shakespeare's <i>The Merchant of Venice</i> ?
	Antonio

Round 2: 20th Century Assassinations and Attempted Assassinations

1	In which year was Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, assassinated by her Sikh bodyguards?
	1984 (accept 1982 to 1986)
2	Which former Prime Minister of Pakistan was assassinated by Islamic extremists in 2007?
	Benazir Bhutto
3	Giuseppe Zangara fired five shots at which US President-elect, just 17 days before his inauguration in 1933?
	Franklin D. Roosevelt
4	Which US President did Lynette 'Squeaky' Fromme, a follower of Charles Manson, attempt to shoot in Sacramento, California in 1975?
	Gerald Ford
5	Which Egyptian President was assassinated in 1981 by a group of militants led by Khalid Islambouli?
	Anwar Sadat
6	Hendrik Verwoerd was assassinated in 1966, in the Parliament building of which country – of which he'd been Prime Minister since 1958?
	South Africa
7	Which senior Nazi official was assassinated in Operation Anthropoid, carried out in Prague in 1942?
	Reinhard Heydrich
8	The killing of Nazi diplomat Ernst vom Rath in Paris, by the German Jewish teenager Herschel Grynszpan, was used as a pretext for which pogrom against German Jews in 1938?
	Kristallnacht (accept Crystal Night , or Night of Broken Glass)

Supplementaries:

1	Andrew Cunanan was a US serial killer who murdered five people over a three-month period in 1997, including which prominent fashion designer?
	Gianni Versace
2	Which Spanish poet, playwright and Socialist is believed to have been murdered by Nationalist militia in 1936 at the start of the Spanish Civil War?
	Federico Garcia Lorca

Round 3: Geography

1	What is the capital city of Nicaragua?
	Managua
2	Lying on the Arctic Ocean, what is the largest city in the world north of the Arctic Circle, and Russia's most northerly ice-free port?
	Murmansk
3	Which island is shared between the two separate countries of Haiti and the Dominican Republic?
	Hispaniola
4	Luzon is the largest island in which country?
	The Philippines
5	What is the largest town and capital of the Isle of Skye?
	Portree
6	The greatest length of the Orinoco river is in which country?
	Venezuela
7	Cape York is the most northerly point of which country?
	Australia
8	What is the most easterly country on the African mainland?
	Somalia

Supplementaries:

1	The Great Barrier Reef off Queensland, Australia lies in which sea?
	The Coral Sea
2	Isabela, Santa Cruz and Fernandina are major islands in which archipelago?
	The Galapagos

Round 4: History

1	Born in Shanghai in 1898 as Soong Mei-ling, she died in New York in 2003. She was on the cover of <i>Time</i> magazine three times. How is this First Lady of World War II better known?
	Madame Chiang Kai-Shek (wife of President of Republic of China)
2	Which South American capital city was founded in 1535 under the original name City of the Kings, the name chosen by Francisco Pizarro?
	Lima
3	In what year in the 1930s did the Night of the Long Knives happen in Germany, the Long March began in China, and Bonnie and Clyde were shot by police in Louisiana?
	1934 (no leeway)
4	Originally used by King Louis XV of France, the motto " <i>Après moi le deluge</i> " was the official motto of which unit of the UK's Armed Forces?
	617 Squadron (accept the Dam Busters)
5	In the Russian Civil War of 1917–22, fighting initially against the Bolsheviks and later the Red Army, the allied forces including the Tsarist army were known as what?
	The White Army or White Russians
6	In which French city did the Popes reside during the 14th Century?
	Avignon (seven successive popes lived in Avignon between 1309 and 1377)
7	What navigational device was invented during the Han Dynasty in China around 200 BC?
	The compass
8	Eagle and Jaguar Warriors were the elite fighting forces of which Empire?
	The Aztec Empire

Supplementaries:

1	Which 18th Century British monarch corresponded with the Duchess of Marlborough using the name Mrs Morley?
	Queen Anne
2	Granted the title 'Concubine Yi' in the Imperial Palace in Beijing, she died in 1908 after being the effective ruler of the Qing dynasty for 47 years. How is she better known?
	The Empress Dowager Cixi

Round 5: Science

1	In human anatomy, what is the first part of the intestine, located immediately beyond the stomach?
	The duodenum
2	What distinguishes 'pulmonates' from other slugs and snails?
	They have lungs (accept "they can breathe ")
3	What's the weight in kilograms of a litre of pure water, at zero degrees Centigrade?
	One kilogram
4	What name is used for a clockwork model of the solar system, showing the positions and motions of the planets and moons?
	An orrery – named after Charles Boyle, Earl of Orrery (1676–1731), who owned the first one)
5	With what are the electron beams of an electron microscope focused?
	Magnets
6	Cinnabar is a toxic ore of which metal?
	Mercury
7	Developed primarily by Enrico Fermi in 1942, Chicago Pile-1 was the first what?
	Nuclear reactor (accept similar)
8	What is the SI Unit (derived) for electrical charge?
	The coulomb

Supplementaries:

1	<i>Lutra lutra</i> is what species of animal?
	The Eurasian otter
2	Which birds build nests that are highly prized in some Asian countries as an ingredient for birds' nest soup?
	Swiftlets (accept swifts)

Round 6: Sport

1	England Test Cricket passed a huge milestone when England played India in August 2018. How many Test matches had England played since the first in 1877?
	1,000 (one thousand)
2	In which sport did Great Britain's Briony Page win a silver medal at the 2016 Rio Olympics?
	Trampolining
3	Who currently manages Stoke City football club?
	Nathan Jones
4	Which horse won the Cheltenham Gold Cup horse race last week?
	Al Boum Photo
5	Who is the only person to have won the Triple Crown of motor sport, i.e. won Indianapolis 500, Le Mans 24 Hours and Monaco Grand Prix?
	Graham Hill
6	Which Japanese tennis player has won the last two Women's Singles Grand Slam tournaments (2018 US Open and 2019 Australian Open)?
	Naomi Osaka
7	In which country is the FIFA Women's World Cup to be held this year?
	France
8	What is the golfer Tiger Woods's real first name?
	Eldrick

Supplementaries:

1	From an official '501' start, it takes a minimum of 9 darts to win a game. Who was the first player to check out in nine darts in a televised match?
	John Lowe
2	In tennis, what is the women's equivalent of the Davis Cup called?
	The Federation Cup or Fed Cup

Round 7: Animals in Fiction

1	Who wrote the fantasy trilogy in which the King of the Armoured Bears, Iorek Byrnison, is a major character?
	Philip Pullman (the <i>His Dark Materials</i> trilogy)
2	In T. S. Eliot's <i>Old Possum Tales</i> , what is the biblical-sounding name of the ancient and wise cat "who lived many lives in succession"?
	Old Deuteronomy
3	In Terry Pratchett's <i>Discworld</i> , what type of creature is Great A'Tuin?
	A turtle
4	What type of creature is Rudyard Kipling's Rikki-Tikki-Tavi?
	A mongoose
5	What is the name of the eponymous horse in Michael Morpurgo's <i>War Horse</i> ?
	Joey
6	What was the name of the overfed little dog owned by the wealthy old lady, Mrs Pumphrey, who featured in <i>All Creatures Great and Small</i> by James Herriot?
	Tricki Woo
7	Mr. Tumnus, who first appears in <i>The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe</i> when Lucy arrives in Narnia, is half human and half what?
	Goat (don't accept Faun)
8	What kind of animal is Shardik, the title character in the Richard Adams novel?
	A bear (in fact, a cyborg bear)

Supplementaries:

1	In <i>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</i> , what type of creature is Absolem?
	A caterpillar
2	In the Harry Potter books, what is the name of Ron Weasley's pet rat?
	Scabbers

Round 8: Your Daily Bread

QM: please make clear that either the question or answer will contain a 'bread' ref)

1	Who had a UK Number 1 in 1972 with <i>Mouldy Old Dough</i> ?
	Lieutenant Pigeon
2	Who wrote the BBC TV series <i>Bread</i> ?
	Carla Lane
3	Which brand of bread, originating in Macclesfield, takes its name from the Latin words 'the strength of man'?
	Hovis
4	What is the name of the heavy, black, rye bread originating in Westphalia (modern-day Germany)?
	Pumpernickel
5	What teardrop or oval-shaped bread is traditionally baked in a tandoor?
	Naan
6	Which English celebrity chef and judge began his career at his father's bakery as a teenager, then went on to serve as head baker at several hotels around Britain?
	Paul Hollywood
7	Who did the band Bread sing this about in 1972? "He can make you love / He can make you cry / He will bring you down / Then he'll get you high"
	Guitar Man
8	In 2017, which comedian featured in the <i>Pride and Breadjudice</i> advert for Bolton-based bakery Warburtons? (QM: please spell out Breadjudice)
	Peter Kay

Supplementaries:

1	Who sits at the head of the Civil Division of the Court of Appeal?
	Master of the Rolls
2	Which baked bread product is seasoned with salt, and usually twisted into a knot shape?
	A pretzel



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General Knowledge

1	Which scientific word is derived from the Greek for 'disease producer'?
	Pathogen
2	Which sport is played at the US sporting venue Valhalla?
	Golf
3	Who was British Prime Minister at the time of the 1926 General Strike?
	Stanley Baldwin
4	Which famous person was the first to popularise the wearing of white for brides at weddings?
	Queen Victoria
5	Name a common vegetable that has all five vowels in its name.
	Cauliflower (or Jerusalem artichoke)
6	What is the name of the super-continent that existed in the palaeozoic and mesozoic eras?
	Pangaea
7	The England Ladies Football team won which major trophy in Tampa, Florida on 5 March 2019?
	The She Believes Cup
8	What do superstitious actors call Shakespeare's <i>Macbeth</i> , to avoid saying the title character's name?
	The Scottish Play
9	The Mound stand, the Tavern stand and the Edrich and Compton stands are features of which sporting venue?
	Lord's (Cricket Ground)
10	If you ordered 'murrgh' in an Indian restaurant, what would you expect to eat?
	Chicken
11	Which gas is the primary constituent of natural gas?
	Methane
12	In the English version of Scrabble, which is the only letter to have a value of five?
	K
13	Where did Nelson Mandela spend 18 of his 27 years behind bars?
	Robben Island
14	In Hinduism, who is the four-faced creator god whose four mouths created the four Vedas?
	Brahma
15	What is the traditional gift for a 55th wedding anniversary?
	Emerald
16	The most successful female downhill skier of all time announced her retirement from competition in February 2019. What is her name?
	Lindsey Vonn



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17	In which novel, published in 1817, do the characters Henry Tilney, and James and Catherine Morland appear?
	Northanger Abbey (Jane Austen)
18	Knighted in 1585, which British writer, soldier, spy and explorer led expeditions in 1595 and 1617 to the Orinoco River in search of El Dorado?
	Sir Walter Raleigh
19	Complete this set of Monopoly properties: Pall Mall, Northumberland Avenue and ... ?
	Whitehall
20	What is the title of the anti-slavery novel written in 1852 by Harriet Beecher Stowe?
	Uncle Tom's Cabin (allow Life Among the Lowly)
21	Which planet in the solar system is the only one to rotate clockwise (when viewed from above its North Pole)?
	Venus
22	Name either of the current Joint Leaders of the Green Party.
	Sian Berry or Jonathan Bartley
23	In Homer's Odyssey, who was the wife of Odysseus who resisted many suitors while Odysseus was away at the Trojan Wars?
	Penelope
24	Who is the current President of South Africa?
	Cyril Ramaphosa
25	Which book of the New Testament immediately follows the four Gospels?
	Acts (of the Apostles)
26	What was the name of the character played by Danny John-Jules in the comedy series <i>Red Dwarf</i> ?
	Cat
27	Which is the only Belgian City to have hosted the Olympic Games?
	Antwerp (1920)
28	Historically called Oil of Vitriol, what is it commonly known as today?
	Sulphuric acid
29	What is the County town of Essex?
	Chelmsford
30	How many dominoes are there in a traditional Sino-European set?
	28
31	Who is the current chairperson of BBC1's <i>Question Time</i> ?
	Fiona BRUCE
32	Which famous actor was married to Hattie Jacques?
	John Le Mesurier



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33	Which cocktail was created by Brook's Club in London to mourn the death of Prince Albert?
	The black velvet (Guinness and champagne)
34	Which southern Russian city has given its name to the pelts of young Karakul sheep, and in particular the hats made from the pelts?
	Astrakhan
35	As of 2017, which country produces the most hops? Hops are mainly grown for beer making.
	USA
36	Born Joyce Penelope Wilhelmina Frankenberg, which actress changed her name at the beginning of her acting career to one inspired by a wife of Henry the Eighth?
	Jane Seymour
37	<i>Lathyrus odoratus</i> is the scientific name for which fragrant garden flower?
	The sweet pea
38	Which African country was formerly known as Nyasaland?
	Malawi
39	Nabulungi, Arnold Cunningham, Mafala Hatimbi and General Butt F'ing Naked are characters in which hit stage musical?
	The Book of Mormon
40	The current Coventry Cathedral is dedicated to which saint?
	St. Michael
41	Indica, sativa and rudoralis are the most commonly grown species of which plant? Hemp is also a variety of the sativa species.
	Cannabis
42	<i>Finlandia</i> is a piece of music by which classical composer?
	Sibelius
43	What is the third book of the Old Testament?
	Leviticus
44	Which famous and current comedienne in her early days had the stage name 'The Sea Monster'?
	Jo Brand
45	Who cooked with "nose of Turk and Tartar's lips, finger of birth-strangled babe"?
	The three witches from <i>Macbeth</i> (accept " the Weird Sisters ")
46	The Godfather in Mario Puzo's novel was born in which Sicilian village?
	Corleone (he is Don Vito Corleone)
47	Which river runs through Leeds?
	The Aire
48	Who won the 2019 Oscar for Best Director? He directed the film <i>Roma</i> .
	Alfonso Cuaron



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49	Which prestigious international award depicts three naked men embracing each other on its reverse side? Be specific!
	The Nobel Prize for Peace
50	How did the perfume <i>Premier Jour</i> by Nina Ricci gain a certain notoriety after a serious event in 2018?
	Novichok in bottle (found near Salisbury)
51	Number 122 Leadenhall Street is a skyscraper in London. Because of its distinctive wedge shape and its similarity to a kitchen utensil it is commonly known as what?
	The Cheese Grater
52	In which decade did Big Ben first ring out?
	1850s (1859)
53	Which well-known Hollywood movie was the first US film to show a flushing toilet?
	Psycho
54	The drug sildenafil is commonly sold under which brand name?
	Viagra
55	Which French man of letters wrote the satirical and philosophical fable <i>Candide</i> ?
	Voltaire
56	In the organisations known as MI5 and MI6, what does the M stand for?
	Military (Intelligence)
57	The Taupo volcano eruption of around AD 200 is believed to have been the most violent of the last five thousand years, world-wide. In which southern hemisphere country did it occur?
	New Zealand
58	Nominated five times for the Booker prize, which Liverpool-born novelist wrote <i>An Awfully Big Adventure</i> , <i>The Bottle Factory Outing</i> , and <i>Master Georgie</i> ?
	Beryl Bainbridge
59	What was the name of the UK nuclear submarine which sank the General Belgrano in the Falklands War?
	HMS Conqueror
60	What was the nickname of the Welsh pirate Bartholomew Roberts, who roamed the Americas and Africa and was killed off the coast of Gabon in 1723?
	Black Bart (<i>Barti Ddu</i> – 'ddu' pronounced 'thee' – in Welsh)
61	Which Nazi politician became the head of the SS in 1929, and also directed the Gestapo from 1936?
	Heinrich Himmler
62	Which dance form is associated with the Argentinian singer Carlos Gardel?
	The tango
63	Which tree links the National Trust, Charles the Second and the Conservative Party?
	The oak
64	Harrisburg is the capital of which US State?
	Pennsylvania



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65	What was the name of the much-loved character which Bill Maynard played in the ITV series <i>Heartbeat</i> ?
	Claude Greengrass
66	In the Periodic Table, the horizontal rows are known as Periods. What are the vertical columns called?
	Groups
67	In which EU capital city are there districts called Innere Stadt, Leopoldstadt, and the Landstrasse, which includes the royal palace complex known as the Beveldeere?
	Vienna
68	Which Gloucestershire-born composer served as an ambulance driver on the Western Front in World War I, at the age of 42?
	Ralph Vaughan Williams
69	Which Scottish soft drink had a 2009 advertising campaign that parodied <i>High School Musical</i> with the slogan "It's fizzy, it's ginger, it's phenomenal"?
	Irn Bru
70	Which Liverpool-born author wrote the TV series <i>Widows</i> , <i>Bella Mafia</i> , and <i>Trial and Retribution</i> ?
	Lynda La Plante
71	Which knitting design links King Edward the Eighth, who popularised it in the 1920s, and the Monty Python characters The Gumbys?
	Fair Isle
72	How many pairs of limbs does a crab have? (QM: please spell 'limbs')
	Five
73	Robert Mueller, James Comey and Christopher Wray are the last three heads of which organisation?
	The FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation)
74	The river Wensum runs through which British county town?
	Norwich
75	From which language is the word 'ketchup' derived?
	Chinese
76	The flag of Ukraine contains only two colours. Blue is one; what's the other?
	Yellow
77	Which Olympic Gold-medal winning English cyclist crashed out of the 1998 Tour de France whilst wearing the yellow jersey?
	Chris Boardman
78	At the Battle of Bannockburn in 1314, who was the victor?
	Robert the Bruce or (accept Robert the First)
79	Which historic Stoke-on-Trent pottery hosted BBC2's <i>Great Pottery Throwdown</i> (2015–17)? In 2018, its bottle kiln was adorned with <i>Weeping Window</i> by Paul Cummins, one of the final displays of the artist's famous ceramic poppies.
	Middleport Pottery



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80	Which educational children's TV programme began in 1969 and spawned <i>The Muppet Show</i> in 1976?
	Sesame Street
81	Lord Darlington is the 'real' name of a tramp, the title character in which best-selling children's book written by David Walliams?
	Mister Stink
82	Who is the current Secretary of State for Education?
	Damian Hinds
83	From the Greek for 'all the devils', which 'uproarious' name did the poet John Milton give to the capital city in Hell?
	Pandemonium
84	Who was voted the Greatest Person of the 20th Century by the public in BBC's 'Icons' series (broadcast in early 2019)?
	Alan Turing
85	The Scottish port city of Aberdeen is situated between the mouths of the River Dee and which other river?
	The Don
86	Joaquin 'El Chapo' Guzman was recently sentenced to life imprisonment for crimes linked to his Mexico-based drug-trafficking empire. Relating to his appearance, what does 'El Chapo' mean
	Shorty (accept similar)
87	Which band won Best British Group and British Album of the Year at the Brit Awards in February 2019?
	The 1975
88	The international Pritzker Prize is awarded annually for a career of achievement in which field?
	Architecture
89	Who invented the 'rigid airship', the first flight of which was over Germany in 1900?
	Ferdinand von Zeppelin
90	Aristotle Onassis, a Greek citizen who became one of the world's richest and most famous men, amassed his fortune through which type of enterprise?
	Shipping
91	Which infamous former Militant politician was re-admitted to the Labour Party in February 2019, after being banned from membership since 1986, but suspended 48 hours later?
	Derek Hatton
92	The paintings of the Japanese artist Hokusai (1760–1849) are widely admired, and have inspired other artists for generations. His best-known works, including <i>The Great Wave</i> , feature views of which mountain?
	Fuji
93	Published in 2018, <i>A Better Me</i> is the official autobiography of which well-known English band-member, composer and musician?
	Gary Barlow



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94	Ironically, Walt Disney had a fear of what creature?
	Mice
95	In the abbreviated name of the British body GCHQ, what does the C stand for?
	Communications (Government Communications Headquarters)
96	A representation of which object sits on top of the Wimbledon Men's Singles trophy?
	A pineapple

Supplementaries:

1	Name one of Hyacinth Bucket's three sisters who feature in the BBC TV series <i>Keeping Up Appearances</i> .
	Daisy, Violet or Rose
2	In which English county are Whipsnade Zoo and Woburn Safari Park?
	Bedfordshire
3	The Ratite group of birds notably lack what ability
	Flight (the emu and the rhea are two examples)
4	Which Canadian province features in the NATO phonetic alphabet
	Quebec
5	The 1996 Oscar-winning documentary <i>When We Were Kings</i> told of which mighty boxing bout of 1974?
	The Rumble in the Jungle (accept " Ali vs Foreman ")
6	In 1895, the poet Banjo Patterson wrote the words to which famous Australian song?
	Waltzing Matilda