

2023–4 Season: Cup Final – 30 April 2024

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| 1 | Frederick Forsyth's novel <i>The Dogs of War</i> takes its title from a line in which Shakespeare play? |
| | Julius Caesar ("Cry, Havoc! and let slip the dogs of war") |
| 2 | Who became the first Black leader of a European country in March this year, when he became First Minister of Wales? |
| | Vaughan Gething |
| 3 | Which rock band was founded by Trent Reznor in 1988? |
| | Nine Inch Nails |
| 4 | Which company was founded in 1994 as <i>Cadabra</i> , before changing to its current name a few months later? |
| | Amazon |
| 5 | Who, in 1991, became the first Nigerian to win the Booker prize for the novel <i>The Famished Road</i> ? |
| | Ben Okri |
| 6 | What's the name of the tourism-oriented passenger train service that operates between the northern and southern coasts of Australia, through the cities of Adelaide, Alice Springs and Darwin? |
| | The Ghan |
| 7 | With which fashion designer did Malcolm McLaren open a shop in London in 1971? |
| | Vivienne Westwood |
| 8 | In the human brain, what is the occipital lobe primarily responsible for? |
| | Vision (or eyesight) |
| 9 | The Brooklyn Bridge joins Brooklyn to which other borough of New York? |
| | Manhattan |
| 10 | Formerly known as Mount McKinley, Denali National Park is in which US state? |
| | Alaska |
| 11 | Which American national park shares its name with a Terrence Malick film and a Bruce Springsteen song? |
| | Badlands (in South Dakota) |
| 12 | Which river does the iconic Ponte Vecchio bridge cross in Florence? |
| | The Arno |
| 13 | Who starred as Doctor Michael Hfuhruhurr in the 1983 film <i>The Man with Two Brains</i> ? |
| | Steve Martin |
| 14 | Adam Driver, Lady Gaga and Jared Leto starred in a 2021 film about which fashion house? |
| | Gucci (House of Gucci) |
| 15 | What's the longest river in Australia? |
| | The Murray |

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| 16 | Which 2002 Booker prize-winning novel was made into an Oscar winning film in 2012, directed by Ang Lee? |
| | Life of Pi (written by Yann Martel) |
| 17 | What company was founded in 1964 as <i>Blue Ribbon Sports</i> , changing to its current name in 1971? |
| | Nike |
| 18 | Who wrote the novels <i>Gone Girl</i> and <i>Sharp Objects</i> ? |
| | Gillian Flynn |
| 19 | Rachel Reeves, the current Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, has been an MP in which English city since 2010? |
| | Leeds (MP for Leeds West) |
| 20 | Which knighted and renowned playwright, whose works include <i>Arcadia</i> , also co-wrote the screen play for <i>Shakespeare in Love</i> ? |
| | Sir Tom Stoppard |

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| 21 | In what year was the first Apple iPhone released? (No leeway) |
| | 2007 |
| 22 | In April 1983, Spandau Ballet had their only UK Number 1 single. What was it? |
| | True |
| 23 | Which TV comedy sketch show featured Ted and Ralph, Swiss Toni, and "Does my bum look big in this?" |
| | The Fast Show |
| 24 | Which city's Brown Ale is known for its iconic 'blue star' logo? |
| | Newcastle (upon Tyne) |
| 25 | In Greek mythology, who went to the underworld to rescue Eurydice, failing at the last moment when he turned back to look at her? |
| | Orpheus |
| 26 | In which US state is Kitty Hawk, where the Wright brothers made the first powered flight? |
| | North Carolina |
| 27 | Which English cathedral city stands on the River Stour? |
| | Canterbury |
| 28 | In Latin, what is the plural of the word <i>opus</i> ? |
| | Opera |
| 29 | Which country won tennis's Davis Cup in 2023? |
| | Italy |
| 30 | On which island is the country of Brunei situated? |
| | Borneo |
| 31 | What's the capital of Namibia? |
| | Windhoek |



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| 32 | There are three horse racing courses in Wales. Bangor-on-Dee is one of them, name either of the other two. |
| | Chepstow or Ffos Las |
| 33 | What word is the name given to the study of the origin and evolution of words and their meanings? |
| | Etymology |
| 34 | Which Welsh cathedral city stands on the River Usk? |
| | Newport |
| 35 | The English aviator Amy Johnson died in 1941 when she crashed into the estuary of which river? |
| | The Thames |
| 36 | In Greek mythology, which titan stole fire from the gods to give it to humans? |
| | Prometheus |
| 37 | Sharing its name with a famous Noel Coward song, what is the flagship beer of Fuller's Brewery? |
| | London Pride |
| 38 | Which TV comedy panel show made use of the catchphrases "Iranu" and "Uvavu"? |
| | Shooting Stars |
| 39 | The Clash had their only UK Number 1 single in 1991 after Levi's jeans used the song in an advert. What was the song? |
| | Should I Stay or Should I Go? |
| 40 | From 1 January this year, how much does it cost to have your green waste bin emptied by Cheshire East Council via their annual subscription scheme? (No leeway) |
| | £56 |

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| 41 | Which reality TV show is currently hosted by Siobhan McSweeney, with Keith Brymer-Jones and Richard Miller as judges? |
| | The Great Pottery Throw Down |
| 42 | Which Saudi Arabian football club does Cristiano Ronaldo currently play for? |
| | Al Nassr |
| 43 | In musical terms, how are the twin sisters Gabriela and Monica Irimia better known? |
| | The Cheeky Girls |
| 44 | In the sitcom <i>Only Fools and Horses</i> , Trigger consistently gets Rodney's name wrong. What does he invariably call him? |
| | Dave |
| 45 | What is the capital of Rwanda? |
| | Kigali |
| 46 | Which genus of duck is also the name of a James Bond film? |
| | The goldeneye(s) (the film is <i>GoldenEye</i>) |



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| 47 | 20 years ago, in April 2004, the song <i>Five Colours in Her Hair</i> was Number 1 in the UK Singles chart for which band? |
| | McFly |
| 48 | Give a year in the life of Cardinal Thomas Wolsey. |
| | 1473 to 1530 |
| 49 | Who did Michael Clegg replace as manager of Macclesfield FC in February this year? |
| | Alex Bruce |
| 50 | Which film and musical is based is based on a 1968 strike of Ford workers looking for equal pay for women? |
| | Made in Dagenham |
| 51 | Broadwater Farm, the scene of a notorious riot in 1985, is in which area of North London? |
| | Tottenham |
| 52 | Who replaced Eddie Jones as coach of the England Rugby union team in December 2022? |
| | Steve Borthwick |
| 53 | Give a year in the life of French statesman Cardinal Richelieu. |
| | 1585 to 1642 |
| 54 | Forty years ago, in April 1984, Lionel Richie spent six weeks at Number 1 in the UK Singles chart with which one-word titled song? |
| | Hello |
| 55 | <i>Ilex aquifolium</i> is the botanical name for which flowering plant? |
| | Holly |
| 56 | Belfast stands on the banks of which river? |
| | Lagan |
| 57 | When English Actor James Stewart sought a film career in Hollywood, he found there was already an actor called James Stewart. What stage name did he adopt from that point onwards? |
| | Stewart Granger |
| 58 | Who is the drummer and sole continuous member of the band (The) Eagles? |
| | Don Henley |
| 59 | Who was the last British man to be Formula 1 World Champion in the 20th Century? |
| | Damon Hill (in 1996) |
| 60 | Which American actor made his British TV debut as the character Frank, in the 2021 British comedy crime series <i>Outlaws</i> ? |
| | Christopher Walken |
| 61 | Tagalog is the principal native language of which country? |
| | The Philippines |
| 62 | Which French phrase is commonly used in English to mean small ornamental objects, less valuable than antiques? |
| | Bric-à-brac |



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| 63 | Whose early plays included <i>Barefoot in the Park</i> and <i>The Odd Couple</i> ? |
| | Neil Simon |
| 64 | Which dish is made from chicken breasts, stuffed with garlic, herbs and butter? |
| | Chicken Kiev |
| 65 | In which city does Interpol have its headquarters? |
| | Lyon |
| 66 | Which female former politician was Leader of the Liberal Democrats from July to December 2019 – preceding Ed Davey, the current post holder? |
| | Jo Swinson |
| 67 | What flying creatures belong to the order <i>Chiroptera</i> ? |
| | Bats |
| 68 | Give either of the two previous names of the Russian city of St Petersburg |
| | Petrograd or Leningrad |
| 69 | Name either of the two land areas separated by the Palk Strait |
| | India or Sri Lanka |
| 70 | "My word is my bond" is the motto of which organisation? |
| | The London Stock Exchange |
| 71 | "Nation shall speak peace unto Nation" is the motto of which organisation? |
| | The BBC |
| 72 | Name either of the two land areas separated by the Denmark Strait |
| | Iceland or Greenland |
| 73 | Give either of the two previous historic names of the Turkish city of Istanbul |
| | Byzantium or Constantinople |
| 74 | The blackbird is a member of which species of bird? |
| | Thrush |
| 75 | Which female politician has been Acting Leader of the Labour Party twice, in 2010 and 2015? |
| | Harriet Harman |
| 76 | The headquarters of the World Bank is in which city? |
| | Washington DC |
| 77 | Which expensive foodstuff is obtained from crocus flowers? |
| | Saffron |
| 78 | Which actress played Mrs Robinson in the 1967 film <i>The Graduate</i> ? |
| | Anne Bancroft |
| 79 | Which French phrase is commonly used in English to mean a feeling of solidarity among members of a group, or morale? |
| | Esprit de corps |
| 80 | The Eastern and Western Ghats are mountain ranges in which country? |
| | India |



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| 81 | Which adventure story opens with a confrontation at the Admiral Benbow Inn? |
| | Treasure Island |
| 82 | Which horse won the 2024 Grand National? |
| | I Am Maximus |
| 83 | Before becoming US President, Barack Obama was a Senator for which US State? |
| | Illinois |
| 84 | Why was Russ Cook in the news in April 2024? |
| | He became the first person to run the entire length of Africa (from South to North) |
| 85 | Name either of the two African countries whose names begin with the letter D. |
| | Djibouti or Democratic Republic of Congo. |
| 86 | Who wrote the <i>Hunger Games</i> series of books? |
| | Suzanne Collins |
| 87 | Once the tallest buildings in the world, what is the name of the twin towers in Kuala Lumpur? |
| | The Petronas Towers (also accept KLCC Twin Towers, the 'local' name) |
| 88 | Which popular children's cartoon character was created by Keith Chapman, and voiced originally by Neil Morrissey? |
| | Bob the Builder |
| 89 | Which lover of Lord Byron described him as "mad, bad and dangerous to know"? |
| | Lady Caroline Lamb |
| 90 | Bertolt Brecht wrote the words to the musical <i>The Threepenny Opera</i> , but who wrote the music? |
| | Kurt Weill |
| 91 | Who composed the opera <i>Dido and Aeneas</i> ? |
| | Henry Purcell |
| 92 | Roger Moore's character, The Saint, was created by which author? |
| | Leslie Charteris |
| 93 | Comedian Chris Sievey, who died in 2010, was best known for creating which character, an aspiring singer-songwriter from Timperley, South Manchester? |
| | Frank Sidebottom |
| 94 | Which country is known as "the Pearl of Africa", a phrase attributed to Winston Churchill? |
| | Uganda |
| 95 | Whose second novel, <i>Go Set a Watchman</i> , was the sequel to her first novel, written 45 years previously? |
| | Harper Lee |
| 96 | In which fractious British colony did Bishop Abel Muzorewa win the first multicultural election in 1979? |
| | Rhodesia (also accept Southern Rhodesia or Zimbabwe) |
| 97 | Taylor Swift fans have been flocking to a London pub that gets a namecheck on her new album. What is the pub called? |
| | The Black Dog |

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| 98 | Who preceded António Guterres as Secretary-General of the United Nations? |
| | Ban Ki-moon |
| 99 | Who was the first female jockey to win the Grand National? |
| | Rachael Blackmore (2021 - on Minella Times) |

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| 100 | Which fictional detective lives in Whitehaven Mansions in London? |
| | Hercule Poirot |
| 101 | Which 1984 Madonna hit single starts with the line, "I made it through the wilderness ... "? |
| | Like a Virgin |
| 102 | Which BAFTA Fellow provides the 'voice over' commentary at the beginning and end of each episode of the BBC series <i>Call the Midwife</i> ? |
| | Vanessa Redgrave |
| 103 | Who was President of Zimbabwe before Robert Mugabe, serving as such between 1980 and 1987? |
| | Canaan Banana |
| 104 | Which common British wild flower has a Latin name which translates as 'pretty and everlasting'? |
| | The daisy (<i>Bellis perennis</i>) |
| 105 | "'Tis better to have loved and lost, than never to have loved at all" is a line written by which poet? |
| | Alfred, Lord Tennyson (from the poem <i>In Memoriam</i>) |
| 106 | What's the first name of ex-Prime Minister Boris Johnson? |
| | Alexander |
| 107 | "I would like, if I may, to take you on a strange journey ... " is the narrator's opening line to which 1975 cult film? |
| | The Rocky Horror Picture Show |
| 108 | Which word can mean a Governmental body or a piece of furniture? |
| | Cabinet |
| 109 | What is the name of the traditional Scandinavian dish of raw pickled salmon in a mustard or dill sauce? |
| | Gravlax (or gravad lax) |
| 110 | In which county would you find Beaulieu Motor Museum, HMS Victory, and the birthplace of Jane Austen? |
| | Hampshire |
| 111 | In which county would you find Corfe Castle, Milton Abbey, and the Cerne Giant? |
| | Dorset |
| 112 | Which vegetable is commonly known in North America as 'rutabaga'? |
| | Swede (a cross between a cabbage and a turnip) |
| 113 | Which word can mean 'contemporary' or refer to the flow of a river? |
| | Current |

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| 114 | "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end" is a line in which book of the Bible? |
| | Revelation |
| 115 | Who is the only British Prime Minister ever to have been assassinated? |
| | Spencer Perceval |
| 116 | In the novel by D. H. Lawrence, what was the name of Lady Chatterley's lover? |
| | Oliver Mellors |
| 117 | Which flower inspired the William Wordsworth poem <i>I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud</i> ? |
| | The daffodil |
| 118 | Who was the first President of Cyprus, after it gained independence in 1960? |
| | Archbishop Makarios III (accept Makarios) |
| 119 | Jermaine Clement and Bret McKenzie often bill themselves as "Formerly New Zealand's fourth most popular folk parody duo". What is the name of both their Act & TV Series? |
| | Flight of the Conchords |
| 120 | Which 1997 Robbie Williams song starts with the line, "I sit and wait ... "? |
| | Angels |

Supplementaries:

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| 1 | In the world of rock & roll, how is Richard Penniman better known? |
| | Little Richard |
| 2 | Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are courtiers in which Shakespeare play? |
| | Hamlet |
| 3 | In which city are the headquarters of Greggs the Bakers? It's also where the first branch opened in 1951. |
| | Newcastle upon Tyne |
| 4 | Which well-known international footballer was President of Liberia from January 2018 to January 2024? |
| | George Weah |
| 5 | What name is given to the large fault valley in Scotland extending from the Moray Firth in the north south-west to Loch Linnhe and including Loch Ness? |
| | The Great Glen |
| 6 | What is Mons Meg, which can be seen in Edinburgh Castle? |
| | A cannon |

Tie-Breakers:

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| 1 | How many islands in total make up the US State of Hawaii? |
| | 137 |
| 2 | How many Test Match runs were scored by Sir Garfield Sobers? |
| | 8,032 |