

## SAL's Christmas Quiz – Answers

- 1 Fry's in Bristol.
- 2 Any clue for the next *Blue Peter* pet, Meg the Dog, perhaps the siege gun in Edinburgh Castle, (Mons) Meg:
  - i. Petra;
  - ii. Jason;
  - iii. Shep (Rose);
  - iv. Goldie;
  - v. (Lonesome) George; and
  - vi. (*Mack & Mabel*).
- 3 The white-tailed sea eagle (which is a different bird from an osprey).
- 4 Walmington-on-Sea.
- 5 Mercury.
- 6 Osborne House on the Isle of Wight was designed by Prince Albert – though some parts (in particular the gate) were credited to Thomas Cubitt.
- 7 These are the three Astrobees, tiny bread-loaf sized robots assisting the astronauts aboard the International Space Station.
- 8 The graffiti, in the Poet's Bar in the Kenmore Hotel in the Perthshire village of Kenmore, was written by Robert Burns when he stayed there in 1789. It begins "Admiring Nature in her wildest grace".
- 9 The website IMDB.COM – take the initial letters of each one word film title:
  - i. *Invictus*;
  - ii. *Misery*;
  - iii. *Dragnet*;
  - iv. *Burlesque*;
  - v. *Drive!*
  - vi. *Oklahoma!*
  - vii. *Titanic*
  - viii. *Castaway*;
  - ix. *Octopussy*; and
  - x. *Magnolia*.
- 10 Horta in The Azores; the bar is Café Sport. Sailors leave a painting in the harbour (legend has it that whoever doesn't leave a painting won't have a safe journey); leave a flag in the café and sign the café's logbook.
- 11 McDonalds' nuggets are either classified as (Martin) bell, (Spanish) boot, (Rag and) bone (men) or (Lucille) ball.
- 12 Belgium.
- 13 ON:
  - i. O (Canada);
  - ii. ONE;
  - iii. HONE;
  - iv. PHONE; and
  - v. PHONEY.
- 14 Design 223 by Bristol Aerospace Company was the blueprint for Concorde which, famously, flew to the JFK airport in New York.
- 15 The link is headwear:

BROTHER (HOOD) WINK	CHIMNEY (COWL) NECK	CROWN (DERBY) COUNTY
EUROPEAN (BEAVER) AWAY	FORAGE (CAP) SCREW	PANAMA (HAT) TRICK
SCOTCH (BONNET) MONKEY	SPIN (BOWLER) WILDCAT	

- 16 Snooker balls:
  - i. (Jimmy) White (known as "the Whirlwind" but references to white goods were accepted);
  - ii. (Paul Neal) "Red" (Adair);
  - iii. (Tie a) Yellow (Ribbon Round the Old Oak Tree);
  - iv. (Graham) Green(e);
  - v. (James Gordon) Brown;
  - vi. (The boy band) Blue;
  - vii. *Pink (Cadillac)*; and
  - viii. (Dr.) Black.
- 17 My answers were  $(44 \times 4 \times 4) - 4$  and  $4^4 + 444$  but, courtesy of Gill and Adrian Groom, the following is also correct (though far too complicated for my taste!):  $((4^4) + 4!)/0.4$ .
- 18 Amanda Houston is an ITV weather presenter whereas the others are BBC weather presenters:
  - i. Nick Miller;
  - ii. Amanda Houston;
  - iii. Philip Avery – Michael Fish was a possible contender though he doesn't present any more;
  - iv. Louise Lear
  - v. Carol Kirkwood; and
  - vi. Chris Fawkes.
- 19 They only contain odd letters of the alphabet (A, C, E, etc).
- 20 These all have the surname Jones;
  - i. Tom;
  - ii. Inigo;
  - iii. Bridget;
  - iv. Alan (Australian F1 driver whose Surtees car was controversially sponsored by the London Rubber Company... which SAL once audited!);
  - v. Davy;
  - vi. Bustopher (in *Cats*);
  - vii. Peter (on *Dragon's Den*);
  - viii. Chuck;
  - ix. Gethin; and
  - x. Indiana.

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