



# MERSEYSIDE QUIZ LEAGUES



Season 2011-2012  
Questions set by Ormskirk 3  
Correct as at August 2011

## ROUND 1

- 1a What is the name of the Nuclear Power station badly damaged in the Japanese earthquake of March 2011?  
**FUKUSHIMA**
- 1b What is the name of the butterfly shaped pasta?  
**FARFALLE (accept FARFALLONE, FARFALLINE or STRICHETTI)**
- 2a After what are all the holes on the Augusta National Golf Course named? **TREES or SHRUBS**
- 2b Who was Vice President of the USA during Lyndon Johnson's administration from 1965 to 1969?  
**HUBERT HUMPHREY**
- 3a Vaughan Williams 'The Lark Ascending' is a musical work for which solo instrument and orchestra?  
**VIOLIN**
- 3b Who was the captain of the Sri Lankan cricket team which toured England in the summer of 2011?  
**TILLAKARATNE DILSHAN**
- 4a What is the capital of the Spanish autonomous region of Andalusia? **SEVILLE**
- 4b In Tolkein's novels who is 'The Lord of the Rings'? **SAURON**

## ROUND 2

- 1a Alpha Canis Major is the alternative name of which star? **SIRIUS or DOG STAR**
- 1b Which novel by Dostoyevsky is the story of Rodion Raskolnikov, who commits a murder and suffers its subsequent consequences? **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**
- 2a Talisker single malt whisky is produced on which Scottish island? **SKYE**
- 2b Who comperes the quiz show 'Pointless'? **ALEXANDER ARMSTRONG**
- 3a Specifically what is the colour of Blackpool FC's shirts? **TANGERINE**
- 3b In the 1974 film 'The Great Gatsby' who plays the title role? **ROBERT REDFORD**
- 4a Five teams from capital cities have won Football's European Cup/Champions League Final. Madrid, Amsterdam and Lisbon are three. Name either of the other two.  
**(RED STAR) BELGRADE or (STEAUA) BUCHAREST**
- 4b Which Lancashire town was once known as Poulton-le-Sands? **MORECAMBE**

## ROUND 3

- 1a Who since 2009 has been the President of the European Council? **HERMAN VAN RUMPOY**
- 1b In what year did the Birmingham Toll Motorway open? **2003**
- 2a Give either Christian name of the English poet W H Auden. **WYSTAN HUGH**
- 2b How many vertebrae are there in the normal human neck? **7**
- 3a What is a clepsydra? **WATER CLOCK**

- 3b Who succeeded Edward III to the English throne? **RICHARD II**
- 4a What is the Spanish for Monday? **LUNES**
- 4b '22 boxes, a quarter of a million pounds, just one question.....' are the opening words of which TV game show? **DEAL OR NO DEAL**

#### **ROUND 4**

- 1a The Touareg is which motor manufacturers SUV model? **VOLKSWAGEN**
- 1b How many ways in total are there of ordering the numbers 1, 2 and 3? **6**
- 2a What bird of prey is a summer visitor to the UK, being such a skilled and swift flyer it can catch swallows and dragonflies? **HOBBY**
- 2b In Greek mythology who was the wife of Agamemnon, who murdered him on his return from Troy? **CLYTEMNESTRA**
- 3a On what date is Candlemas a Christian festival commemorating the presentation of the infant Jesus in the Temple? **2ND FEBRUARY**
- 3b What major medical discovery did Karl Landsteiner make in 1900? **BLOOD GROUPS**
- 4a Which current American politician's autobiography published in 2003 is entitled 'Living History'? **HILLARY CLINTON**
- 4b The prefix Giga indicates 10 to the power of what number? **9**

#### **ROUND 5**

- 1a Which New Zealand city suffered a devastating earthquake in February 2011? **CHRISTCHURCH**
- 1b What is the name of the shell shaped pasta? **CONCHIGLIE**
- 2a What is the only golf course in Northern Ireland to have hosted the Open (1951)? **(ROYAL) PORTRUSH**
- 2b Who was Vice President of the USA during Jimmy Carter's administration from 1977 to 1981? **WALTER MONDALE**
- 3a Beethoven's 'Emperor Concerto' is a musical work for which solo instrument and orchestra? **PIANO**
- 3b Who was the captain of the Indian cricket team which toured England in the summer of 2011? **MAHENDRA SINGH DHONI**
- 4a What is the capital of the Italian region of Tuscany? **FLORENCE**
- 4b In the Harry Potter novels who is 'The Dark Lord'? **VOLDEMORT**

#### **ROUND 6**

- 1a Alpha Orionis is the scientific description of which star even though it is not as bright as Rigel, the brightest star in the same constellation? **BETELGEUSE**
- 1b How is Prince Myshkin described in the title of a novel by Dostoyevsky? **THE IDIOT**
- 2a Which single malt whisky is produced on Mainland Orkney? **HIGHLAND PARK (accept SCAPA)**
- 2b Who comperes the quiz show 'The Chase'? **BRADLEY WALSH**
- 3a Specifically what are the colours of Wigan RLFC's shirts? **CHERRY and WHITE**
- 3b Which actor plays Andy Dufresne a banker falsely imprisoned for murder in the 1994 film 'The Shawshank Redemption'? **TIM ROBBINS**

- 4a Which capital city hosted the 1952 Winter Olympics? **OSLO**
- 4b Which East Lancashire town developed out of two villages, Little Marsden and Great Marsden, taking its current name in the late 19th century? **NELSON**

### **ROUND 7**

- 1a Who is the current Secretary General of NATO? **ANDERS RASMUSSEN**
- 1b In what year did the National Lottery start? **1994**
- 2a Give either Christian name of the English writer D H Lawrence. **DAVID HERBERT**
- 2b How many ribs does a normal human have? **24**
- 3a What is a calumet? **(NORTH AMERICAN SMOKING) PIPE**
- 3b Who succeeded Henry III to the English throne? **EDWARD I**
- 4a What is the German for Thursday? **DONNERSTAG**
- 4b On what day of the week do Prime Minister's questions take place? **WEDNESDAY**

### **ROUND 8**

- 1a The Qashqai is which motor manufacturers SUV model? **NISSAN**
- 1b What is 40% of 40? **16**
- 2a Which is the only species of British breeding duck where the male and female are almost identical? **SHELDUCK**
- 2b In Greek mythology who was the wife of Ulysees who patiently waited for him after his protracted return from Troy? **PENELOPE**
- 3a On what date is All Souls' Day in the Christian calendar? **2nd NOVEMBER**
- 3b What major medical discovery was made by Watson, Crick and Wilkins in the 1950s? **(THE STRUCTURE OF) DNA**
- 4a Which Irish politician's autobiography published in 2003 is entitled 'Hope and History'? **GERRY ADAMS**
- 4b The prefix Nano indicating 10 to the power of minus 9 originates from the Greek word meaning what? **DWARF**

### **SPARE QUESTIONS**

- 1 Which birthday did Prince Philip celebrate in 2011? **90TH**
- 2 What was the currency of Portugal before the Euro? **ESCUDO**
- 3 Which vegetable has the Latin name Allium Porrum? **LEEK**
- 4 The Ramblas is the principle thoroughfare in which European city? **BARCELONA**