

Derwent Quiz League 2008/09

Questions

20th January 2009

ROUND 1

A1	What infamous role did Eartha Kitt play on TV ?	
B1	What was the common name for tuberculosis in 19th century Europe ?	
A2	What type of animal is a bushmaster ?	
B2	In Greek mythology who was seduced by Zeus in the form of a swan ?	
A3	Who was the only driver to win back to back Formula 1 championships in the 1980s ?	
B3	What was the most common name given to baby girls in 2008 ?	
A4	Who represented Switzerland in the 1988 Eurovision Song Contest?	
B4	Where would you find Pelagic Zones ?	

ROUND 2

A1	Which Australian was cricket's leading international run scorer in the 1980s ?	
B1	Who will present the BBC coverage of the Eurovision Song Contest later this year ?	
A2	Which British army regiment is known as the Sappers ?	
B2	Who is the current Pope ?	
A3	Which is the only native British bird to change its plumage to almost completely white in winter ?	
B3	"Where do I begin" was the theme song from which 1970 movie ?	
A4	Of which country is Kathmandu the capital ?	
B4	Who checked into a Harrogate hotel as Mrs Neele in 1926 ?	

ROUND 3

A1	Apart from the duck-billed platypus, which is the only other mammal to lay eggs ?	
B1	Which song from the musical Sweet Charity became a big hit for Shirley Bassey ?	
A2	For much of the 14th century the Pope resided in which French city?	
B2	Most of Shakespeare's plays were first performed by which troupe of actors ?	
A3	Which common English word derives from the Greek for 'bad star'?	
B3	The Roman town of Lutetia was the forerunner of which European capital city ?	
A4	What was the name of Sherlock Holmes's faithful housekeeper ?	
B4	Where, unusually, will England play the first match of this summer's Ashes series ?	

ROUND 4

A1	What is the original meaning of the term troglodyte ?	
B1	What is the capital city of the Canadian province of Manitoba ?	
A2	What did Barack Obama promise to buy his children when they move into the Whitehouse in his acceptance speech ?	
B2	Who were the only major UK band to perform at Woodstock in 1969 ?	
A3	Who was the king who led the 300 spartans ?	
B3	What was the title of the famous article written by Emile Zola concerning the Dreyfus Affair ?	
A4	Who won the recent UK snooker championship ?	
B4	Which is the smallest species of deer to be found living wild in the UK ?	

ROUND 5

A1	Who founded the monastery on Iona ?	
B1	Who directed the film Dr Zhivago ?	
A2	Who wrote the recent Christmas No. 1 single ?	
B2	Which natural fibre is second only to cotton in terms of the amount produced worldwide ?	
A3	Who won the recent series of Strictly Come Dancing ?	
B3	Hayley Turner is Britain's top female participant in which sport ?	
A4	Which notorious carnivore is the largest land-dwelling member of the weasel family ?	
B4	When is Yorkshire day ?	

ROUND 6

A1	What is the name of the first steam engine to have been built in Britain for nearly 50 years ?	
B1	In which Scottish town or city do Partick Thistle play ?	
A2	The port of Dubrovnik is in which country ?	
B2	Who played Dave's father in the recent Royle Family Xmas special?	
A3	A melody by which German composer is used as the music for Hark the Herald Angels Sing ?	
B3	What is the largest species of fish in the world ?	
A4	In mathematics what is the value of pi to two decimal places ?	
B4	Which notorious murderer lived at 10 Rillington Place ?	

ROUND 7

A1	Which musical features the song "There is nothing like a Dame" ?	
B1	What is the name of the manatee's closest relative, found in Indo-Pacific waters ?	
A2	What is the name of Phileas Fogg's constant companion in Around the World in Eighty Days ?	
B2	In which Scottish town or city do St Johnstone play ?	
A3	Which is the only county in Wales without a coastline ?	
B3	What is the cube root of 125 ?	
A4	What is the name of the circular forts along Britain's coasts, built to deter a Napoleonic invasion ?	
B4	How old was Tony Blair when he became Prime Minister in 1997 ?	

ROUND 8

A1	In which country is the ski resort of Sapporo ?	
B1	Name either of the two students who created the Google search engine.	
A2	Who won Great Britain's first gold medal in the Beijing Olympics ?	
B2	Which is the only place in the Northern hemisphere where penguins can be found in the wild ?	
A3	Which playwright wrote The Caretaker ?	
B3	Which battle is also known as Custer's Last Stand ?	
A4	When did the first Woolworths store open in the UK ?	
B4	What was Cliff Richard's first No. 1 UK hit ?	

SPARES

1.	Which is Yorkshire's only World Heritage site?	
2.	Who wrote "Ode to a nightingale"?	
3.	How was the city Indian city of Chennai formerly known?	
4.	Who has written a series of letters entitled `Dear Fatty` in the form of an autobiography?	
5.	Who lives at 62 West Wallaby Street?	
6.	Who won the X-Factor in December 2008?	
7.	At the outbreak of World War I, who was the British Prime Minister?	
8.	The Roman province of Lusitania comprised most of which EU country?	
9.	From what bridge does the Oxford/Cambridge boat race start?	
10.	On which day of the year does All Souls Day fall?	