**ROUND ONE: SIGHT**

1) What was Percy Shaw’s most famous invention? **Cat’s eyes (reflective road studs)**

2) Which actor played the little boy who can see dead people in the 1999 film *The Sixth Sense*?

**Haley Joel Osment**

3) In which London museum can you see John Singer Sargent’s 1919 painting *Gassed*? **Imperial War Museum**

4) Four of Saturn’s moons, Iapetus, Rhea, Tethys and Dione were discovered by which Genoa-born astronomer?

(**Giovanni Domenico or Jean-Dominique) Cassini**

5) I wear red and white striped tops, blue trousers, a bobble hat, round spectacles and carry a walking stick, and I am difficult to find. What do my American and Canadian friends call me?

**Waldo** (UK: Wally)

6) The finale of which UK TV show got the biggest overnight audience of this year so far?

**Line of Duty (9.1m)**

7) Risin' up, back on the street / Did my time, took my chances / Went the distance, now I'm back on my feet / Just a man and his will to survive”. For One point: Name the song AND the band.

**Eye of the Tiger** by **Survivor**

**ROUND TWO: HEARING**

1) You hear the high pitch of the siren of an approaching ambulance, and notice that its pitch drops suddenly as the ambulance passes you. What is this effect called?

**The Doppler Effect**

2) Hello darkness, my old friend / I've come to talk with you again / Because a vision softly creeping / Left its seeds while I was sleeping / And the vision that was planted in my brain / Still remains Within BLANK

**The Sound of Silence**

3) Which Lancashire born female surrealist artist wrote the novel *The Hearing Trumpet?*

**Leonora Carrington**

4) 136 years ago what was so loud it could be heard from 2,200 miles away?

**Krakatoa (Erupting)**

5) *Oh Whistle, and I’ll Come to You My Lad* is a short ghost story by MR James, sometime Provost of Kings College and Eton. The title of the story is taken from a poem by which poet and lyricist?

**Robert Burns (Rabbie / Robbie)**

6) True or false: According to Captain Scott’s diary, when Captain Oates uttered the immortal words ‘I am just going outside and may be some time’, Scott misheard Oates and thought he was popping out for a cigarette.

**False**

7) What is Britain’s longest running radio show? **Desert Island Disks (first aired 1942)**

**ROUND THREE: TASTE**

1) What do you call someone who has a higher than average number of taste buds on their tongue (and who therefore has a much stronger sense of taste than the average person)?

**A supertaster**

2) What is the name of the “kitchen sink” play, set in Salford in the 1950s, written by Shelagh Delaney when she was just 19 years old? **A Taste of Honey**

3) A customer who ordered a £260 bottle of wine in a Manchester restaurant last week was given the wrong bottle. What was the price of the bottle they were given in error? **£4,500**

4) Self-adhesive or sticky stamps went on sale in the UK, to the general public, 18 years ago. Slowly gummed stamps have been phased out. According to the Royal Mail, how many calories do you consume when you lick a single gummed stamp? **a) 5.9 calories;** b) 19.5 calories; c) 59.9 calories

5) In 1985, which company disastrously changed the flavour of its top best-selling drink? The move was described by Jesse Meyers, publisher of *Beverage Digest*, as “the boldest consumer products move of any kind of any stripe since Eve started to hand out apples”. **Coca-Cola**

6) In Katy Perry’s 2008 hit single “I Kissed a Girl”, what does she note the taste of?

(Her) **cherry chap stick**

7) As of this year, Midsummer House is the only restaurant in Cambridge with what?

**(2) Michelin Stars**

**ROUND FOUR: SMELL**

1) Made out of cartilage, what is the name of the wall that separates your nasal passages?

**Septum**

2) I am the largest flowering structure on Earth, growing up to three metres tall. My flower only opens for 48 hours and attracts insect pollinators with its stench of rotting flesh. I rarely bloom in cultivation (only producing a flower after 7-9 years). My swollen underground storage stem (tuber) can weigh more than 75kg. What am I?

**Titan arum / *Amorphophallus titanum* / Corpse flower**

3) Which television sketch show featured a joke so funny that it could kill and was used in so-called “Joke Warfare” during the Second World War? **Monty Python’s (Flying Circus)**

4) If you suffer from *phantosmia* what can you smell? **Things that aren’t there / phantom smells**

5) Who speaks the line: “What’s in a name? that which we call a rose, By any other name would smell as sweet”.

**Juliet**

6) Comprising grains of resins (sometimes mixed with spices) that burn with a fragrant odour, what is widely used as an oblation in several religions. **Incense**

7) If you suffer from *halitosis* what do you have? **Bad breath / stinky breath**

**ROUND FIVE: TOUCH**

1) Stanley Kirk Burrell trousered a lot a money with a hit single in 1990, which reached number three in the UK Singles Chart. For one point, what is Burrell’s stage name and what was the single.

**MC Hammer** with **(You/U can’t) Touch this**

2) What is Hansen’s Disease also known as? **Leprosy**

3) To make sure Daniel Craig and Ana De Armas remain comfortable during the filming of risqué scenes in the latest James Bond film what has the film company recruited?

**Intimacy Co-ordinator**

4) You are walking along and you feel a corduroy hazard warning surface under your feet. What are you approaching?

**Steps / ramp / level crossing / on-street light rapid transport platform / a shared route from a walkway**

5) What weather condition would you most associate with RD Wingfield?

**Frost** (as in *A Touch of Frost*)

6) Co-written with his wife, *Touching Distance* is the autobiography of which Cambridge rower?

**James Cracknell**

7) After a 27-year career, who or what made an historic last touchdown eight years ago?

(Space shuttle) **Discovery**

**ROUND SIX: TIE-BREAKER QUESTIONS: SENSES**

1) Who directed the 1995 film adaptation of Sense and Sensibility, starring Emma Thompson and Kate Winslet? **Ang Lee**

2) Which philosopher is famous for saying “Life without pain has no meaning”?

**Arthur Schopenhauer**

3) Your ability to detect an object in your handbag without looking at it is given which technical term?

a) Visualisation

b) Tactile special acuity

c) Texture perception

**d) Stereognosis**

e) Fumbling