Champion of the Thames Pub Quiz - 18/2/2020

Quizmaster's Sheet

Pubs of Cambridge

This is a general knowledge round in which every answer is the name of a Cambridge pub. For example, to the question *Who is second in line to the British Throne?* the answer would be *The Duke of Cambridge*.

- 1. During the Civil War, Parliament passed an ordinance calling which village tradition a heathenish vanity? (**Maypole**)
- 2. What was the Old English name for the river Cam? (Granta)
- 3. Which pub name is amongst the things protected by the First Amendment to the US Constitution? (The **Free Press**; accept *wtte*)
- 4. Which philosopher said: it is better to be a human being dissatisfied than a pig satisfied? (**Mill** accept *J.S. Mill* or *The Mill*)
- 5. Which company sponsored Felix Baumgartner's record-breaking skydive of 2012? (**Red Bull**)

Chess

- 1. In which 1982 science fiction film does the character Roy Batty watch genetic designer J.F. Sebastian play a game of chess with Tyrell, Roy's creator? (**Blade Runner**)
- 2. How many possible first moves are there for white in a game of chess? (20)
- Perhaps best known for his sculpture "Fountain", which French artist left the art world to play chess, remarking: "It has all the beauty of art – and much more."? (Duchamp)
- 4. The 1972 world championship between Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky was held in which city, the northernmost capital in the world? (**Reykjavik**)
- "Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast". Which character says this to Alice in Lewis Carroll's *Through the Looking Glass*? (The White Queen)

Discoveries

- 1. Which chemical element was accidentally discovered by Hennig Brandt while he was attempting to make the philosopher's stone by distilling urine? (**Phosphorus**)
- Discovered in 1799, the Rosetta Stone is inscribed with three versions of the same text. Two are in Egyptian hieroglyphs and demotic; in which language is the third? (Greek)
- 3. In 1953, Francis Crick proclaimed at the Eagle pub: we have discovered *what*? I'm looking for a specific four-word phrase. (**The Secret of Life**)
- 4. Discovered in South Dakota, the skeleton known as Sue is one of the largest and best preserved specimens of which carnivorous Dinosaur? (**Tyrannosaurus Rex**)

5. In *Winnie-the-Pooh*, to what landmark does Pooh affix a sign that reads *Discovered by Pooh; Pooh Found It*? (the **North Pole**)

Round

- 1. Written in 1944, 'Round Midnight is a jazz standard by which American pianist? (**Thelonious Monk**)
- 2. Which country's flag is made up of two horizontal bands, the top one the colour of the ball worth five points in snooker; the bottom the colour of the circle line on the tube map? (**Ukraine**)
- 3. *Hand with Reflecting Sphere* and *Still Life with Spherical Mirror* are prints by which Dutch artist? (**M. C. Escher**)
- 4. Which Knight of the Round Table returned Excalibur to the Lady of the Lake? (**Bedivere**)
- 5. What is the name of the opening song in *The Lion King*? (**Circle of Life**)

General Knowledge

- 1. The original Bavarian beer purity law allowed beer to contain only which three ingredients? (**Barley, water, hops**. Accept only all three correct. Yeast is now allowed but had not been discovered in the 16th Century)
- 2. After the City of London, what is England's second-smallest city? Its cathedral shares a bishop with nearby Bath Abbey. (**Wells**)
- 3. What links Francis Bacon, Christopher Marlowe, and Edward de Vere, Earl of Oxford? (There are theories that each of them **wrote the works attributed to Shakespeare**)
- 4. The Great Game was a 19th Century confrontation over central Asian territories between Britain and which other power? (**The Russian Empire**)
- 5. Mistral, Chinook, and Sirocco are examples of what? (Winds)
- 6. Since 1938, which locomotive has held the world speed record for steam trains? (**Mallard**)
- 7. The Kalevala is the national epic of which country? (Finland)
- 8. In astronomy, Castor and Pollux are the two brightest stars of which constellation? (**Gemini**)
- 9. What type of structure links London, Hanoi, and Martello? (Tower)
- 10. In the Clangers, the dragon provides what foodstuff? (Soup)

Music: What Links? [Two points each]

- 1. Rhapsody in Blue Gershwin / The Beautiful Blue Danube J. Strauss / All Blues Miles Davis (**Blue**)
- 2. Tommy the Cat Primus / Message in a Bottle The Police / Tom Sawyer Rush (Lead singer is the bassist)
- 3. Creep Radiohead / Ghostbusters / Ice Ice Baby Vanilla Ice (**All involved in plagiarism disputes**)
- 4. Fantasy Overture to Romeo and Juliet Tchaikovsky / Romeo and Juliet Dire Straits / Love Story – Taylor Swift (**Romeo and Juliet**)

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