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### Round 1 - Link-a-Letter

The initial letters of each answer, in order, spell a mystery name, word or phrase

Optional Clues: An expression relating to success or failure. Used when faced with a situation where the outcome will go one of those ways. Three words with 4, 2 and 4 letters respectively

- 1. Who was the mentor to the first ever winner of ITV's 'The X-Factor' in 2004, Steve Brookstein? **Simon Cowell**
- 2. In 2001, who succeeded William Hague as leader of the Conservative party? **lain Duncan Smith**
- 3. Which UK (conservation) charity has the motto 'For Ever, For Everyone'? **National Trust**
- 4. (Probably best known for the single 'I Got the Music in Me') according to their own website, who became the first British artist to be signed by Tamala Motown? **Kiki Dee**
- 5. Which word is used to describe an animal that eats both plants and meat? **Omnivore**
- 6. Which river forms a large part of the boundary between Mexico and the US? **Rio Grande** (aka Rio Bravo in Mexico)
- 7. When Income support was introduced in 1988, which other kind of benefit did it replace? **Supplementary Benefit**
- 8. In 1963 who became the first person to be declared an honorary citizen of the US? **Winston Churchill**
- 9. Which Disney song begins with the line 'Now I'm the king of the swingers'? **I Wanna Be Like You**
- 10. 'Yum-Yum' and 'Ko-Ko' are characters from which opera? **Mikado**

INITIAL LETTERS SPELL SINK OR SWIM

## Round 2 - Feature Round (1)

**Blockbusters** 

1. K B - In 1978, who became the first female artist to have a UK number one hit single with a song she had written herself?

Kate Bush (Wuthering Heights)

- 2. D L In football, which Scottish player was named European Footballer of the Year in 1964? **Denis Law**
- 3. N D Which fictional character solves mysteries in River Heights together with her friends Bess Marvin and George Fayne?

**Nancy Drew** 

4. L V B - Born in the 18th century, who famously composed most of his celebrated works after losing his hearing in his mid-twenties?

Ludwig van Beethoven

5. B G - Which ITV drama series was set in Larkhall Prison?

**Bad Girls** 

6. W P T Y - Income tax was the first tax in British history to be levied directly on people's earnings – who introduced it?

William Pitt the Younger (1799)

- 7. I Q What name is given to the test used by Mensa in an effort to measure a person's intellect? **Intelligence Quotient**
- 8. C P (Known as 'Madam Cyn') Who famously made headlines in the 1970's after police raided her home to find a sex party in full swing and luncheon vouchers being exchanged for sexual entertainment? **Cynthia Payne**
- 9. T M A Y What may well be the first question a prospective employer would ask you at a job interview? **Tell Me About Yourself**
- 10. A P O C If you found this round particularly easy, how could you describe it? **A Piece Of Cake**

## Round 3 - Feature Round (2)

Occupations

To make this round easier let teams know each answer contains an occupation Leave this info out and you can use this round as a quiz-link!

- 1. Which 1970's UK hit for the Carpenters was a cover version of a 1960's US hit for the Marvelettes? **Please Mr Postman**
- 2. Who presented the first three (now defunct) X-Factor spin-off shows, leaving in 2007 after missing out on the main presenting job which went to Dermot O'Leary?

**Ben Shepherd** 

3. An iconic photo from 1989, taken at the end of a vital world cup qualifying game against Sweden, shows which England player with his white shirt turned red?

### **Terry Butcher**

(A deep cut early in the game resulted in impromptu stitches, he continued playing swathed in bandages but constant heading of the ball reopened the wound and seeped through to the extent that it turned his shirt red)

4. Vivien Leigh famously portrayed the role of Scarlett O'Hara in 'Gone with the Wind', what was the name of the character played by Clark Gable?

**Rhett Butler** 

5. In 1999 which TV personality and former children's TV presenter had a 60ft naked image of herself projected onto the side of the Palace of Westminster?

Gail Porter

### Round 4 - Feature Round (3)

Initially Speaking

Each question leads to a two-word answer, each with the same initial letters - T and B

1. The Radcliffe Road End can be found at which test cricket ground?

#### **Trent Bridge**

2. What was the name of the resident camp comic in 'Hi-De-Hi' as played by Paul Shane?

### **Ted Bovis**

3. In 2014 the eldest son of which veteran Labour politician took back the hereditary peerage that his late father had fought for years to renounce?

**Tony Benn** (His son Stephen became Viscount Stansgate)

4. In which 1981 film does John Cleese play the role of Robin Hood?

### **Time Bandits**

5. What was the name of the 12th century chancellor and archbishop of Canterbury whose murder resulted in his canonisation?

**Thomas Becket** 

## Round 5 - Quiz-Link (1)

1. In 1982, which then Prime Ministers son, (Mark Thatcher), famously went missing while taking part in which international motor race?

### **Paris-Dakar Rally**

- 2. Which Swedish groups only UK number one hit was the 1993 song 'All That She Wants'? **Ace of Base**
- 3. In crime, which specific type of burglary is carried out by breaking a barrier, usually a window display, then snatching whatever is of value and making a quick getaway?

  Smash and Grab
- 4. In which 2003 film does Hugh Grant play the role of the UK Prime Minister? **Love Actually**

The link? Rally, Ace, Smash, Love (Terms used in) **Tennis** 

# Round 6- Quiz-Link (2)

- 1. In 1988 at the age of just 14, France's Vanessa Paradis had worldwide success with which hit song? **Joe Le Taxi**
- 2. What name is given to the trophy a ship traditionally receives for making the fastest sea crossing of the Atlantic Ocean on a regular commercial voyage?

The Blue Riband

- 3. What is the name of the star system that includes our sun and its planets? **The Milky Way**
- 4. Which planet did the alien invaders come from in HG Wells 'War of the Worlds'? **Mars**

The link? Taxi, Blue Riband, Milky Way, Mars Chocolate Bars

## Round 7 - GK & Pot Luck

- 1. The British Legion was founded in 1921, what word was added to their title in 1971? **Royal**
- 2. 'Quodpot' is the US version of which fictional game? **Quidditch**
- 3. How many balls are used in a game of billiards? **Three**
- 4. Before being replaced by the Euro in 2002, the 'Guilder' was the currency of which country? **Holland**
- 5. Which UKTV entertainment channel uses the tagline 'the home of witty banter'? **Dave**
- 6. Essential for healthy bones, which vitamin do we get from exposure to sunlight? **Vitamin D**
- 7. In which ITV dating game-show would the winning contestants have a date at a fictional location called Fernando's?

**Take Me Out** 

8. Which Welsh village has been the location for numerous films and television shows, most notably that of 'the village' in the 1960's series 'The Prisoner'?

**Portmeirion** 

- 9. The Statue of Liberty holds a stone tablet in one hand with the inscription (July IV) MDCCLXXVI what year is that? (July 4th) **1776**
- 10. In the northern hemisphere, the vernal equinox marks the beginning of which season? **Spring**