(1) Name the three longest rivers in the United Kingdom?

The Severn, the Thames and the Trent.

(2) Which famous children’s book character was created by Michael Bond?

Paddington Bear.

(3) The St Valentine’s Day Massacre took place in which city?

Chicago.

(4) A female fox is called a vixen, what name is given to a male fox?

A dog.

(5) The duration of a game of Polo is measured in what?

Chukkas.

(6) Which German line lay opposite the French Maginot Line?

The Siegfried Line.

(7) On the Skull and Crossbones flag, what kind of bones are the cross bones?

Femurs.

(8) Bruce Springsteen won an Oscar for which song?

Streets of Philadelphia.

(9) What were Little Boy and Fat Man?

The two atom bombs dropped on Japan.

(10) What is the mathematical term which means without end or limitless?

Infinity.
(11) Sleeping Sickness is an infectious disease of tropical Africa which is transmitted by which fly?

The tsetse fly.

(12) What does GPS stand for?

Global Positioning System.

(13) Who was Formula One World Champion first: Graham Hill or Jim Clark?


(14) What is the name given to the explosive which consists of nitroglycerine, nitrocellulose, wood pulp and potassium nitrate?

Gelignite.

(15) Who was King of England during the American War of Independence?

George III.

(16) In which London Borough is Heathrow Airport?

Hounslow.

(17) In George Orwell’s novel '1984', what is 'Airstrip One'?

Britain.

(18) What is 1999 in Roman numerals?

MCMXCIX.

(19) Which river flows through Baghdad?

The Tigris.

(20) The names of two items of clothing originated in the Crimean War. Which ones?

Balaclava and cardigan.
(21) In which sport do neither the participants nor the spectators know the score until the end?

Boxing.

(22) Which sign of the zodiac is represented by a Virgin?

Virgo.

(23) What kind of animal is a flying fox?

A bat.

(24) At what age do Adrian Mole’s diaries start?

13 and 3/4.

(25) Which is, by far, the smallest Canadian province in both area and population?

Prince Edward Island.

(26) Which element is found in bones, teeth and shells?

Calcium.

(27) Which king hid in an oak tree after the battle of Worcester?

Charles II.

(28) Where was Olivia Newton-John born – Oxford or Cambridge?

Cambridge.

(29) What year saw the deaths of Rudolf Nuryev, Audrey Hepburn, Les Dawson and James Hunt?

1993.

(30) On which country’s flag would you see an eagle on a cactus eating a snake?

Mexico.
(31) The name of which musical instrument derives its name from the Greek for 'wood' and 'voice' meaning 'wooden sound'?

Xylophone.

(32) From which country do Moselle wines come?

Germany.

(33) Which is always the third grand slam event in the tennis calendar?

Wimbledon.

(34) For which film did Cher win an Oscar?

Moonstruck.

(35) Name the Osmonds only UK number one?


(36) In which war did jet aircraft first fight each other?

The Korean War.

(37) Of the 11 founder members of OPEC, which was the only South American country?

Venezuela.

(38) In the film The Lion King, what type of creature is Rafiki?

A baboon.

(39) Which TV and film detective was played by Richard Roundtree?

Shaft.

(40) Name the four cities in the United Kingdom which have underground rail systems?

London, Liverpool, Glasgow and Newcastle.