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**SEASON 2 MATCH 3**

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## RUNNING ORDER + INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

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### START OF QUIZ

Teams to toss a coin to determine A & B order

<b>Round 1 - Individual</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1)	Marengo was the famous war horse of which prominent 19th-century historical figure? The horse was named after the 1800 Battle of Marengo, in which this man led the French to victory against the Austrian army.	<b><u>Napoleon Bonaparte</u></b> (accept first <u>or</u> last name)
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	"So fresh it's famous" is the slogan of which Irish brand of bread? The company was founded in County Longford in 1953 by a baker with the last name Higgins.	<b><u>Pat the Baker</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	What Atlanta-born singer is the only woman to date to have been inducted into both the Rock & Roll and Country Music Halls of Fame? Probably her most well-known song is <i>Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree</i> , recorded in 1958 when she was only 13.	Brenda <b><u>Lee</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	Established as a colony in 1885, Bechuanaland Protectorate became what modern-day country when it achieved independence from the United Kingdom in 1965?	<b><u>Botswana</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	The 1945 novel <i>Goodbye Berlin</i> by Christopher Isherwood was adapted into what multi-Oscar winning 1972 movie?	<b><u>Cabaret</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	First opened in 1984, the Irish Museum of Modern Art is located in which 17th century building, close to Dublin's Heuston Station?	<b><u>Royal Hospital</u></b> Kilmainham
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	The US federal holiday Presidents' Day, originally created to mark George Washington's birthday, is currently celebrated on the third Monday of what month?	<b><u>February</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	The epitaph "I had a lover's quarrel with the world" is carved on the gravestone of what American poet, who died in 1963? It the last line of his 1941 poem <i>A Lesson For Today</i> .	Robert <b><u>Frost</u></b>

## Round 2 - Team

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

## Round 3 - Individual

	Question	Answer
Q1a (Team B Person 1)	Of the 13 politicians to have held the office of Irish Taoiseach, who is the only one <u>never</u> to have been the leader of his party?	John A. <u>Costello</u>
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Following Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, two historically neutral Northern European countries signalled that they intended to fast-track an application for NATO membership. Name <u>both</u> ?	<u>Sweden / Finland</u> (need <u>both</u> )
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	The two closest professional football stadiums in England are in what city? Only 270 metres apart, albeit separated by the river Trent, one of the stadiums belongs to the oldest professional football club in the world.	<u>Nottingham</u> (Nottingham Forest & Notts County)
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	What American actress, whose real first name is Susan, played the US First Lady alongside Kevin Kline's US President in the 1997 comedy film <i>Dave</i> , as well as a former First Lady turned Secretary of State in the 2012 TV mini-series <i>Political Animals</i> ?	Sigourney <u>Weaver</u>
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Winning Sports Book of the Year at the 2014 Irish Book Awards, <i>The Test</i> is the autobiography of which Irish sportsman? Considered one of the greatest Irish rugby players of all time, he holds the record for most tries scored by any Irish player, as well as the overall try-scoring record for the Six Nations Championship.	Brian <u>O'Driscoll</u>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	What is the shortest athletics distance ever to have been an Olympic event? This sprint distance only featured at the 1900 and 1904 Summer Olympics before being dropped, though it was added to the World Indoor Championships in the 1980s.	<u>60 metres</u>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Taking place in April 1974, the Carnation Revolution was a coup by left-leaning military officers that overthrew the authoritarian Estado Novo regime in what country?	<u>Portugal</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	In Jewish tradition, what is the name of the small decorative object attached to the door frame of one's house, which contains a small parchment scroll inscribed with specific verses from the Torah?	<u>Mezuzah</u> (accept <u>mezuzot</u> )

#### Round 4 - Team

Team B to pick a topic first

Team A to pick a topic second

#### Round 5 - Individual

	Question	Answer
Q1a (Team A Person 1)	Established as a colony in 1884, Basutoland became what modern-day country when it achieved independence from the United Kingdom in 1966?	<u>Lesotho</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Copenhagen was the famous war horse of which prominent 19th-century historical figure? The horse was named after the 1807 Second Battle of Copenhagen, and eight years later this man rode the horse as he led the British army and its allies to victory against Napoleon at Waterloo.	The Duke of <u>Wellington</u> (or Arthur <u>Wellesley</u> )
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Winning Sports Book of the Year at the 2018 Irish Book Awards, <i>Game Changer</i> is the autobiography of which Irish sportsperson? Considered one of the greatest ladies' gaelic footballers of all time, she has 11 All-Star awards and four All-Ireland titles to her name, in addition to having played soccer, rugby and Australian rules at a senior level.	Cora <u>Stanton</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Released as a single in January 1953 a few weeks after his death aged 29, <i>Your Cheatin' Heart</i> is one of the most well-known songs by which hugely influential Alabama-born singer? He is one of the select number of men to have been inducted into both the Rock & Roll and Country Music Halls of Fame.	Hank <u>Williams</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	The two closest professional football stadiums in the entire UK are in what Scottish city? They are situated a mere 183 metres apart on Tannadice Street, a street which also lends its name to one of the stadiums.	<u>Dundee</u> (Dundee FC & Dundee United)
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	What American actress, whose real first name is Susan, played the US First Lady alongside Martin Sheen's US President in the 1999-2006 TV series <i>The West Wing</i> ?	Stockard <u>Channing</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	First opened in 1997, the Decorative Arts and History branch of the National Museum of Ireland is located in which 18th century building, close to Dublin's Heuston Station?	<u>Collins Barracks</u> (accept <u>Royal Barracks</u> )
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	In Jewish tradition, what is the name of the symbolic enclosure that surrounds a community? Usually consisting of a thin wire or cord strung up several metres above the ground, the purpose of this enclosure is to combine multiple houses or streets into one "private domain" in order to allow activities which would otherwise be prohibited on the Sabbath: for example, carrying objects from your own house to a neighbour's house.	<u>Eruv</u> (accept <u>erub</u> , <u>eruvim</u> or <u>eruvim</u> )

### **Round 6 - Team**

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

### **Round 7 - Individual**

	<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	The US federal holiday Memorial Day, which honours US military personnel who have died in the line of duty, occurs on the last Monday of what month?	<b><u>May</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	The epitaph "Even amidst fierce flames the golden lotus can be planted" is carved on the gravestone of which American poet, who died in 1963? The line was written by the poet's spouse, also a noted poet.	Sylvia <b><u>Plath</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	If Sweden and Finland both joined NATO, that would leave only 4 EU countries who are not NATO members, of which Ireland is one. Name any <u>two</u> of the other three?	<b><u>Austria / Malta / Cyprus</u></b> (accept any <u>two</u> )
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	Taking place in February and March 2005, the Tulip Revolution led to the overthrow of President Askar Akayev's authoritarian regime in what country?	<b><u>Kyrgyzstan</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	The 2005 novel <i>Q&amp;A</i> by Vikas Swarup was adapted into what multi-Oscar winning 2008 movie?	<b><u>Slumdog Millionaire</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	"Today's bread today" is the slogan of which Irish brand of bread? The company was founded in Dublin in the 1960s by a baker with the first name Joseph.	<b><u>Brennan's</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	Excluding the triathlon, what is the longest athletics distance ever to have been an Olympic event? This walking event featured at every Olympics from 1932 to Tokyo 2020, though last year it was announced that from 2024 it would be dropped in favour of a new team event.	<b><u>50 kilometre</u></b> race walk (accept <b><u>50,000 metres</u></b> )
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	Fine Gael backbencher John A. Costello was chosen as Taoiseach in 1948 because of his party leader's controversial role as defence minister during the Irish Civil War, where he oversaw the execution of 77 Anti-Treaty prisoners. Who was this politician, who led Fine Gael from 1944 to 1959?	Richard <b><u>Mulcahy</u></b>

### **Round 8 - Team**

Team **B** to pick a topic first

Team **A** to use last remaining topic

**END OF QUIZ**

**Spare questions  
(only use if necessary)**

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
The world's largest lizard species, the Komodo Dragon, is native to what Asian country?	<b><u>Indonesia</u></b>
What river forms most of the border between County Antrim and County Down?	<b><u>Lagan</u></b>
Europe's tallest building since 2017, the 462-metre tall Lakhta Centre is located in what city?	<b><u>St. Petersburg</u></b>
Who was captain of the Tyrone team that won the 2021 All-Ireland Senior Football Championship?	Pádraig <b><u>Hampsey</u></b>

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### Twins

<b>Q1</b> What are the first names of the Olsen twins? Initially coming to fame as child actors in the 1980s American sitcom <i>Full House</i> , in recent years they have retired from Hollywood to focus on their career as fashion designers, leaving their younger sister Elizabeth to carry on the family name as an actor.	<b>Mary-Kate and Ashley</b> (need both)
<b>Q2</b> What was the surname of the twin brothers Norris and Ross, who co-founded the Guinness Book of Records in 1955? Due to his strong political views, Ross was assassinated by the Provisional IRA in 1975, while Norris remained familiar to TV viewers throughout the 70s and 80s due to his regular appearances on the BBC's <i>Record Breakers</i> .	<b>McWhirter</b>
<b>Q3</b> Twin brothers Joel Madden (lead vocals) and Benji Madden (lead guitarist) are the two founder members of what American rock band? Their best-selling album to date is 2002's <i>The Young and the Hopeless</i> , which included the hit singles <i>The Anthem</i> and <i>Lifestyles of the Rich &amp; Famous</i> .	<b>Good Charlotte</b>
<b>Q4</b> Played by real-life twins Oliver and James Phelps on-screen, what are the first names of Ron Weasley's twin brothers in the <i>Harry Potter</i> books and movies?	<b>Fred and George</b> (need both)

### Golden Balls

<b>Q1</b> The nickname "Golden Balls" is most commonly associated with which very famous retired English footballer? Its origin comes from a 2001 interview where his equally famous wife let slip that she privately referred to him by this nickname.	David <b>Beckham</b>
<b>Q2</b> Said to derive from the Medici coat of arms, the traditional symbol for what type of retail establishment consists of three golden spheres?	<b>Pawnbroker / pawn shop</b>
<b>Q3</b> What Real Madrid midfielder won the FIFA Golden Ball award in 2018 for leading his team to the final of that year's FIFA World Cup? The same year, he also won the Ballon D'Or, breaking Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo's 11-year stranglehold on the award.	Luka <b>Modrić</b>
<b>Q4</b> Born Robert Norman Davis in 1945, what English comedian hosted the 2007-2009 ITV game show <i>Golden Balls</i> ?	Jasper <b>Carrott</b>

### **The Ladies of the Long Room**

It was announced in November 2020 that four busts of notable women would be commissioned for the famous Long Room in Trinity College Dublin's Old Library, joining the 40 existing busts (all men) which have adorned the room for over a century. Here are questions on the four women chosen for this honour.

<b>Q1</b> What English mathematician and writer (1815-1852) is often regarded as the first computer programmer, due to her theoretical work on algorithms for Charles Babbage's Analytical Engine?	Countess Ada <b><u>Lovelace</u></b> (also accept <b><u>King</u></b> or <b><u>Byron</u></b> ) - prompt on "Ada"
<b>Q2</b> Name the London-born author who wrote the pioneering feminist work <i>A Vindication of the Rights of Woman</i> in 1792? She married the philosopher William Godwin in 1797 and died later that same year aged 38, eleven days after giving birth to her second daughter, who would also become an accomplished writer.	Mary <b><u>Wollstonecraft</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Underappreciated in her lifetime, name the English chemist whose work in X-ray crystallography was crucial to discovering the double-helix structure of DNA? Francis Crick, James Watson, and Maurice Wilkins were eventually awarded a Nobel Prize for their related work in 1962, four years after this person's untimely death from cancer aged 37.	Rosalind <b><u>Franklin</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> The only Irishwoman of the four, and the only one not to have died in her thirties, was born Isabella Perse [ <i>pronounced "purse"</i> ] in Roxborough, County Galway in 1852 and died at her home in Coole Park aged 80. Once described by George Bernard Shaw as "the greatest living Irishwoman" and a driving force behind the Irish Literary Revival at the turn of the 20th century, by what name is she better known to history?	Isabella Augusta, <b><u>Lady Gregory</u></b>

### **Sculpture nicknames**

<b>Q1</b> Unveiled in 1988 for the city's millennium celebrations, what fictional woman is depicted in the Dublin statue humorously referred to as "The Tart with the Cart" or "The Dolly with the Trolley", among other nicknames? A subject of a famous traditional Irish song, the statue was controversial at the time due to the low-cut dress in which the woman is depicted.	Molly <b><u>Malone</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Anish Kapoor's landmark sculpture <i>Cloud Gate</i> in Chicago's Millennium Park consists of an 8-metre high curved metal object made from stainless steel, with a highly polished surface that reflects the surrounding city somewhat like a giant funhouse mirror. In place of its official name, it is most frequently referred to by what nickname, due to its shape?	The <b><u>Bean</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Unveiled in 2011, the <i>RISE</i> sculpture in Belfast is located on the A12 Westlink motorway and is a familiar sight for anyone driving into Belfast from the south and west. 37 metres tall and consisting of two giant spheres one inside the other, the sculpture is colloquially referred to by what nickname?	The <b><u>Balls</u></b> on the <b><u>Falls</u></b> (accept any answer mentioning "Balls" and "Falls" - also accept The <b><u>Testes on the Westies</u></b> or The <b><u>Westicles</u></b> )
<b>Q4</b> While most people refer to the iconic statue in New York Harbour simply as "The Statue of Liberty", this is actually just an abbreviation of its official name, which contains what 3 additional words after "Liberty"?	<b><u>Enlightening the World</u></b>

### **Regicide**

<b>Q1</b> What 11th century High King of Ireland is traditionally said to have been killed by a group of fleeing Vikings while praying in his tent following the Battle of Clontarf?	Brian <b><u>Boru</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Name the Scottish king who is murdered by the title character in Shakespeare's <i>Macbeth</i> ? He is based on a real Scottish king who died in 1040, though in real life he was killed in battle fighting Macbeth's troops, rather than being stabbed in his sleep as depicted in the play. Regnal number is not required.	<b><u>Duncan</u></b> (the First)
<b>Q3</b> What English king famously wore two shirts to his beheading in January 1649, to prevent the cold weather causing any noticeable shivers that the crowd could have mistaken for fear? He remains the only English king to have been tried and executed for treason. Name and regnal number required.	<b><u>Charles I</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> What collective name is commonly given to King Edward V and his younger brother Richard of Shrewsbury, who in 1483 were imprisoned and allegedly murdered by their uncle, the future King Richard III, in his bid to claim the English throne? Aged 12 at the time, Edward V's reign of less than 3 months makes him one of the shortest-reigning British monarchs.	The <b><u>Princes in the Tower</u></b>

### **An Ghaeltacht**

*Four questions about the Gaeltacht [pronounced "Gale-tuckt"], the collective name for the areas of Ireland where the Irish language is officially designated as the primary spoken language.*

<b>Q1</b> Approximately 100,000 Irish citizens live in Gaeltacht areas, which are found in seven Irish counties: One in Ulster, two in Connacht, three in Munster, and the other in which Leinster county? This county is home to the smallest Gaeltacht area of all, consisting of the two villages of Ráth Cairn and Baile Ghib (Rathcairn and Ballygibb in English), with a total population of 1,500.	<b><u>Meath</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> One of the half-dozen Irish offshore islands to be included in the Gaeltacht is which Ulster island? Located 14.5 kilometres off Donegal's northwest coast, it is Ireland's most remote inhabited island and until 2018 was known for appointing a "King" of the island, in a tradition stretching back to the 6th century.	<b><u>Tory</u></b> Island
<b>Q3</b> Established in 2007, the first (and so far only) officially sanctioned Gaeltacht to exist outside Ireland is the so-called "Permanent North American Gaeltacht" near the town of Erinsville in which Canadian province, the largest by population?	<b><u>Ontario</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Founded in 1980 to replace Gaeltarra Éireann, what is the name of the current Irish state agency responsible for the economic, social and cultural development of Gaeltacht areas?	<b><u>Údarás na Gaeltachta</u></b>

### **Cartoonists**

<b>Q1</b>	No relation to the current Canadian Prime Minister, name the American cartoonist who since 1971 has written and drawn the Pulitzer Prize-winning newspaper comic strip <i>Doonesbury</i> ?	Garry <b><u>Trudeau</u></b>
<b>Q2</b>	German cartoonist and illustrator Axel Scheffler is a frequent collaborator with which English author, having providing the illustrations for her best-selling children's books <i>The Gruffalo</i> , <i>Room on the Broom</i> and <i>Stick Man</i> , among others?	Julia <b><u>Donaldson</u></b>
<b>Q3</b>	Born in Essex and educated at Queen's University Belfast; who has been <i>The Irish Times</i> ' political cartoonist continuously since 1976 and still produces four cartoons a week for the paper?	Martyn <b><u>Turner</u></b>
<b>Q4</b>	Born in Washington D.C. in 1958, which American cartoonist wrote and drew the beloved newspaper comic strip <i>Calvin and Hobbes</i> from 1985 until his unexpected retirement ten years later? He is famously reclusive, with only a handful of verified photographs of him available online.	Bill <b><u>Watterson</u></b>

### **Second Comes Right After First**

<b>Q1</b>	Since November 2021, the world's second tallest building has been the 679-metre tall Merdeka 118 building, located in what Asian capital city? It is over 200 metres taller than another famous building in the same city, which was the world's tallest building between 1998 and 2004.	<b><u>Kuala Lumpur</u></b>
<b>Q2</b>	While Mont Blanc is famously the highest mountain in the Alps, what mountain on the Swiss/Italian border is the second-highest? Appropriately, while the name of Mont Blanc translates as "White Mountain", this mountain's name is also colourful - directly translating as "Pink Mountain" in both French and Italian. (Although the actual origin of the name is a local dialect term for "Glacier Mountain")	<b><u>Monte Rosa</u></b> (accept <b><u>Mont Rose</u></b> )
<b>Q3</b>	What Australian athlete was the second person to run a mile in under four minutes, doing so in June 1954 - a mere six weeks after Roger Bannister famously achieved this feat? A keen rival of Bannister's for years, in later life this man served as State Governor of Victoria and died in February of this year aged 91.	John <b><u>Landy</u></b>
<b>Q4</b>	In April 1961, Yuri Gagarin entered the history books as the first person to orbit the Earth. Four months later, what fellow Soviet cosmonaut became the second person to do so? Aged 25 at the time, to this day he remains the youngest person to orbit the Earth - he also set another historic milestone as the first person ever to take a photograph of Earth from space.	Gherman <b><u>Titov</u></b>