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Award Winning Restaurateur delivers a sweet result!



As each deadline of my Quizzes approaches, I am always on the lookout for somebody quite unique and famous to ask to make the Draw from the large pile of correct entries, to find our 4 Winners.

This year, I was delighted to meet with the very popular, effervescent and Award Winning Chris Lees, from the Number 16 Café, Bar & Bistro on the Bingham Market Place in Nottinghamshire. We met to discuss the recent accolade that was bestowed on Chris and his fantastic Team and to make the Draw.

To see more details and a video of the Draw, please use this link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8lQK0o2lVE>

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I am very proud that we will be donating **£5,634** to the Nottingham Branch of ChildLine from all those generous entrants from our Annual Quiz. I am always amazed with your generosity and the completing of Gift Aid forms for what is simply, a Quiz... that seems to bring so much enjoyment and frustration. Every call to ChildLine costs £4 to answer and your donations will make a huge difference to the lives of **1,400** vulnerable children!
Jonathan Hammond M.B.E.

Many congratulations to....

The Winner of our 1st Prize...

Mrs Robinson of Northamptonshire

and the three other Prize Winners have also been selected... the letters & their winnings are on the way!

the correct answers are below... I hope you enjoyed the challenge.

I set the Quiz, you solve it and kindly donate... and... this is why we do it

*“My heart is racing as I pick up the phone
But I'm hoping by calling, I'll feel less alone.
As I'm waiting for someone to answer my call
I know what to say, I've planned it all.*

*A friendly voice answers and my plan disappears
I can't say anything, I burst into tears.
The counsellor is patient, she says it's ok
She understands it's hard, to know what to say.*

*My heart stops racing, I feel less afraid
I tell her about all the mistakes I have made.
She doesn't judge, she doesn't seem shocked.
I'm not used to talking without being mocked.*

*She helps me to feel a little less sad,
Maybe I'm really not all that bad.
It's so good to know there is someone to care
A place to feel safe when I have problems to share.*

*The call comes to an end and I'm feeling good
I want to thank her, I wish that I could.
But just saying thank you doesn't seem enough.
For helping me so much with something so tough.*

*So, I'm writing this poem for all Childline staff
To say from myself and on all children's behalf.
Thank you for listening and being there for us all.
You may never realise when you answer our call*

*Just how much you help, when you pick up and say
'You're through to Childline, how're you feeling today?'
You will have saved lives without even knowing
You've helped thousands of children to keep on going.
So thankyou Childline for the great work that you do
I want you to know, I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for you”.*

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Pre-flight cheques

A proud moment... for one of my many passions... with Pre-flight cheques being made!

A project to create a Landmark Sculpture, entitled “On Freedom’s Wings”, received a boost with support from locally based Estate Agent, Jonathan Hammond of Hammond Property Services, presenting a cheque for £1,000 to Ken Sadler, the Chairman of the Bomber County Gateway Trust.

The Project will result in a life-size sculpture of a Lancaster Bomber on the County border of Nottinghamshire & Lincolnshire where many Bomber Command bases were situated. Indeed, the landmark sculpture will be visible on the A46 at Norton Disney, between Newark and Lincoln and will be angled as if turning to land at the previous base of RAF Swinderby. The final design denotes a Lancaster Bomber that actually flew from the base.



Jonathan commented, “The £750,000 project is well underway with the concrete base and support stanchions now in place and the successful push for the final monies required will result in the steel sculpture components being purchased and put into place.

Whilst I am asking 100 companies to donate £1,000 each, it didn’t seem fair if I didn’t do the same! I am looking forward to driving up and down the A46 with the glorious sight of a landmark statue on the horizon and to feel that I was part of that project and I would invite you to consider doing the same; maybe in memory of a family member or someone you know who flew in Bomber Command”.



If you wish to donate or learn more about the Project, then please visit <https://www.bombergatewaytrust.co.uk/>

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The Answers!!! THE LITERARY CHARACTERS QUIZ 2024



Well... it's all over for yet another year! All of the entries have been marked and the winners are being notified in the post! For those who requested a list of the answers, this is it! You can now see where you went right **AND** where you may have gone wrong **AND** if you are still struggling to see how some of the more devious and cryptic clues were worked out, please feel free to contact me by telephone, e-mail or letter and I will explain all!

I am particularly grateful to all those who took the time to write to me with such positive comments yet again and confirming the pleasure (and frustration!) that our Annual Quiz creates. We have again received entries from over 46 countries over the UK, Europe **as well as our regular entries from China, Australia... & U.S.A.**

The important statistic for you – *to encourage you to enter our next quiz later this year is...!*

Percentage of all correct entries = **87%!!!**

BUT.... THE BEST NEWS..... As a result of the donations made by many of those that entered the Quiz, we will be presenting the local branch of ChildLine with all of the **£2** coins AND the **£5** and **£10** notes AND the many cheques from all those entrants who 'enjoyed' the quiz – the final figure is below!

A huge thank you to all those who made donation of £5, £10 or more – a call to ChildLine costs £4 to answer... you really have helped to make a difference to the lives of **1,400** vulnerable children and young people who would otherwise have no one else to turn to and this figure includes donations from those who did not manage to complete the quiz and yet still generously gave to this extremely worthy cause.

Question 92 appears to have been a common favourite amongst those who commented! I really do hope that you enjoyed battling away to solve the clues – and work will begin at the start of March for this year's Quiz to be ready around September / October time.
Quizzingly yours!

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How much raised from generous
donations for the 2024 Quiz?

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THANK YOU FOR TAKING PART AND FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION

1) "O!, O!, Quads!" I'm in a mess	Quasimodo
"Whisk in jam" could be the recipe instruction from this narrator	Jim Hawkins
A 51 degree metal	Ali Baba
A boy from Yttrium has small talk with the French at the end of February	Lady Chatterley
5) A fellow, it is said, appeared around 9	Don Quixote
A little boy in and around the centre of Windsor	Aladdin
A rally for 99 of our people, on the first of February, in Church	Atticus Finch
A small thing, it is taken from a famous Musical	Little Eva
A sport, back in America	Polonius
10) A supporter from New York could be torrid	Fanny Dorrit
According to Old William... broken keys were found on Sunday	Bill Sykes
Albert's wife backs off, to be quite honest, as another Albert lets one go	Victor Frankenstein
Andrew travels around Cyprus after November	Nancy Drew
Army is in disarray at Italian River and quietly cut back	Mary Poppins
15) As simple as a sheep is	Aramis
At home, with what sounds like a ghost, this might go down well	Inspector Bucket
Bottle opener for French water, a gesture from which, we hear, you are exempt	Beau Geste
Broken drain is fixed in the morning, before mole was beheaded	Adrian Mole
By taking in the poorly, Bishop replaces the Head Hunter	Billy Bunter
20) Carol's plant, for safety it's always green and moderately finished	Holly Golightly
Christmas birds on a strange course	Robinson Crusoe
Crept in so awkwardly, a new example of Ragtime	Inspector Maigret
Cut the grass for golf and then add some lithium	Mowgli
Discovered hiding in Africa's landlocked Country	Aslan
25) Duck liver with a surprise ending	Oliver Twist
European city, the Capital of Oman	Romeo
Eyesore was repaired after the beginning of stye was removed	Eeyore
Fan, glad to be transformed	Gandalf
Father takes in 6 from Culea	David Copperfield
30) Favourite animal of the late Queen looks back on a short sleep	Peter Pan
Fewer squads rock when there is a change of positions	Wackford Squeers
Find Mary a new companion, by the end of the week	Man Friday
Fire up the radiators at the Hotel? It could be a bluff	Heathcliff
First murderer takes in suitable fire-starter	Captain Flint
35) First woman to appear in not ok jokes	Jeeves
For a laugh, vehicle is reversed by Edward, before having a drink to extreme	Horace Rumpole
For every small railway, there's a mother and her off-spring	Perry Mason
For this clue, just one word did get changed	Edwin Drood
Formed in a pact with a Hungary seaman	Captain Ahab
40) Four legged animal retreats by after a bird appears	Jay Gatsby
Georgia and Victoria step up to the dartboard	Gavroche
He travelled home and appears in everybody's Seuss book	Odysseus
How the crime was committed, it's 50/50, within this region of Belgium	Moll Flanders
I hope he won't in a new version of this children's character	Winnie the Pooh
45) I'll tell ten to get in order for her	Little Nell
I'm going back with Kelvin and Edward, to go on strike	Mike Hammer
If you grab a look, it's bearily hiding in there	Baloo

In short, I would go back after he and I got together	Heidi
It is me having been upset by my mother	Emma
50) It is said to not be in in Yorkshire	Tin Tin
It was reported that the cat witnessed you	Tom Sawyer
It's a task about air-conditioning, to a degree, right? The French approve	Jacob Marley
It's just about a falsehood, without safety first	Juliet
It's usually ice-cold courage left out	Puck
55) It's very quiet around India	Pip
Jane is upset when, in France I am in naval bombardment	Jean Valjean
Juliet and Oscar... in-step together	Jo March
Listen, it's a long way to go for a drink	Fagin
Live in the middle of or bad smell around or	Oliver Mellors
60) Looking back, the car check was done by one between July & September	Tom Jones
Mr big head succeeds the humble leader	Mr Bumble
Nigerian, Canadian and Austrian leaders are ordered to appear in New York	Nancy
Nobody will see him and he keeps his views to himself	The Invisible Man
Notice the absence of the Knight returning in the afternoon	Miss Prism
65) Old Man's underwear could be vile by the end of November	Long John Silver
On reflection, she appears to be hidden in opera style stage show	Eponine
One script is edited, let's read for a change	Inspector Lestrade
One sided, in the middle of those	Porthos
Parent of recent P.M.	Father Brown
70) Pester the assistant to the man with the camera	Harry Flashman
Pigs are allowed in this very small village	Hamlet
Preserve the link by surrounding Spain	James Bond
Put pressure on the man at the wheel	Harry Potter
Relatively speaking, he's the man to start each of the old mowers	Uncle Tom
75) Rely on a Doctor with a cold and half broken fibula	Count Dracula
Rhyme about Deputy Head	Mr Hyde
Right by two little ducks	Roo
Search for the talented ones, loud in Church	Scout Finch
She appears in a Trojan epic... whilst I leave the nest	Jane Eyre
80) She could avoid the King in the wood	Miss Marple
She should take a bow for playing this	Viola
Silver discovered in a flower from the south of England by Gran	D'Artagnan
Someone fighting under a major bad omen	Captain Nemo
Sounds like missed her car being picked up	Mr Toad
85) Spilled beer at the Cricket Club on the 1 st of August	Rebecca
Spread with part of a fork	Fantine
The baker in the red suit	The Queen of Hearts
The bit in the middle is the flat, top part of a stove	The Hobbit
The cat can rest in peace at the bottom half of the valley	Tom Ripley
90) The Girl Guide leaders are sitting in the middle of the row	Tigger
The half measly brushed animal	The Sly Fox
The Ketompi or the Panpussama	The Cat in the Hat
The last letter before tomorrow, when old Thomas leaves with whiskey	Zorro
The messy room used for this small dinner guest	The Dormouse

95) The red-headed young lad is hiding the money	<u>The Gingerbread Boy</u>
The summing up of unusual storm notice	<u>The Count of Monte Cristo</u>
This aristocrat from a Berkshire Town is heard to be an earnest character	<u>Lady Bracknell</u>
This is set in Colorado and Tellurium	<u>Cosette</u>
To put up with his station first	<u>Paddington Bear</u>
100) Turncoat discovered within the Alamo legend	<u>Mole</u>
Uncle with a black suit	<u>Sam Spade</u>
We are told that he is determined to be taken seriously	<u>Ernest</u>
We hear of photographs of a large inland lake	<u>Prince Caspian</u>
We travel around Hotel and City centre with the leading lady on board	<u>White Queen</u>
105) With a short raincoat, Elizabeth heads-off	<u>Macbeth</u>
With hindsight, Alaska has a point with Georgia	<u>Kanga</u>
Yankee left in shock	<u>Shylock</u>
You can see Karen in a close-up after Hannah drops her aitches	<u>Anna Karenina</u>

Now that it is all over for yet another year, I hope that you managed to work out all of the answers above. However, if there are any questions that you are still struggling to see how the answer fits, then I usually have 2 weeks or so of entrants contacting me for an explanation.

Please do contact me to help to put you out of your misery and frustration!!!

Either by email at quiz@hammondpropertyservices.com

or on **01949 87 86 85** – if I am out and about, please leave a message with one of my team and I will get back to you.

Best wishes again and thank you for taking part... by kindly donating an amazing **£5,634** you have all made a huge difference to a vulnerable or frightened child's life to enable them to reach out for help. Take a bow...

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