

## The First Ever Virtual Online Zoom-based

# mfm QUIZ

1. First **breakout-room** chat: invent a **team name** + elect **team captain**
  - then team captains enter your team name into the first **Google form** (check the link from the 28mfm website to find the forms)
  - the best team name gets a **bonus point**
2. Listen to the quiz-questions in **3 rounds** of **5 questions** and take down your own answers by yourselves – **no googling!**
3. After each round, compare answers with your team (in a **breakout-room** chat) and each team captain enters your team's answers in the next **Google form**.
4. There will be one **Google form** for each round.
5. We will mark your answers while you are comparing your answers for the following round. This will *definitely* all work **seamlessly**.
6. The winning team will be **celebrated** throughout the phonological world for **evermore**.

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## ROUND ONE

1. Name a language which has a **palindromic** name (when spelled in English).
2. Who is the linguist in this photo, pointing at the phonetic symbols with his **finger**?



– and for a **bonus point**...  
... this photo is from  
'backstage' at a film  
– *which film?*

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### ROUND ONE (continued)

3. Which language **lacks labial consonants** (at some level of analysis at least) but has a labial in the English version of its name?
4. Which linguistic database is also an eccentricity?
5. Give an **English common noun** which fulfils the following conditions:
  - (i) it starts with a vowel
  - (ii) the syllable immediately before the primary stress consists only of /h/ and a short unreduced vowel

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### ROUND ONE – ANSWERS

1. Name a language which has a **palindromic** name (when spelled in English).

**Malayalam**, **Ewe**, **Olo**, **Ono**, **Ata** (last three from Papua New Guinea),  
**Manam** (Oceanic, famous for allowing only [m] in codas),  
**Aja** (a Gbe language), **Oko** (Volta-Niger), **Kuk** (Bantoid; Grassfields)



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### ROUND ONE – ANSWERS

2. Who is the linguist in this photo, pointing at the phonetic symbols with his finger?



Peter Ladefoged

– and for a bonus point...  
... this photo is from  
'backstage' at a famous  
film – *which film?*

*My Fair Lady*

[https://books.google.co.uk/books?id=Sd2qBgAAQBAJ&pg=PA170&lpg=PA170&dq=beverley+collins+daniel+jones+my+fair+lady&source=bl&ots=Yhd8P4JcgM&sig=ACfU3U2GR4gP\\_My\\_ix2hKS8F6c2oFnlp0g&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwj1sr3jg-DwAhWbDWMBHSY9CnwQ6AEwEHoECA8QAw#v=onepage&q=beverley%20collins%20daniel%20jones%20my%20fair%20lady&f=false](https://books.google.co.uk/books?id=Sd2qBgAAQBAJ&pg=PA170&lpg=PA170&dq=beverley+collins+daniel+jones+my+fair+lady&source=bl&ots=Yhd8P4JcgM&sig=ACfU3U2GR4gP_My_ix2hKS8F6c2oFnlp0g&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwj1sr3jg-DwAhWbDWMBHSY9CnwQ6AEwEHoECA8QAw#v=onepage&q=beverley%20collins%20daniel%20jones%20my%20fair%20lady&f=false)

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**Mohawk** (in Mohawk: *Kanien'kéha*)

<https://pure.knaw.nl/ws/portalfiles/portal/4931531/mfm-handout.pdf>

4. Which linguistic database is also an eccentricity?

<https://phoible.org/>

5. Give an **English common noun** which fulfils the following conditions:

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**alcoholicity** /,alkəhɒ'lısəti/

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## ROUND TWO (the anagrams round)

Which phonologist is hidden behind the following anagrams...?

1. *Sore candidate.*
2. *Beach stories.*
3. *Amoeba slurp.*
4. *Aha, Mr. Elk!*
5. *Boozy Inuit elk kart.*

# The First Ever Virtual Online Zoom-based mfm QUIZ

## ROUND TWO – ANSWERS (the anagrams round)

Which phonologist is hidden behind the following anagrams...?

1. *Sore candidate.*

Donca Steriade

2. *Beach stories.*

Tobias Scheer

3. *Amoeba slurp.*

Paul Boersma

4. *Aha, Mr Elk!*

Mark Hale

5. *Boozy Inuit elk kart.*

Nikolai Trubetzkoy



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## ROUND THREE

1. *Guess the **topic** from the references:*  
Vago (1976), Ringen (1978, 1988), Hayes & Londe (2006)
2. *Guess the **topic** from the references:*  
Halle (1999), Dell & Elmedlaoui (2008), Hayes (2009), Kiparsky (2020)
3. Phonologists have abolished lots of things at past mfms
  - name **five** things that have been abolished (**1 point per thing**)
  - e.g., *There is no ‘**Duplication Problem**’* (Paster, 18mfm)
  - e.g., *On the Non-Existence of **Phonetic Representation*** (Harris & Lindsey, 1mfm)
4. What was the shortest ever title of a presentation at an mfm?
  - Fill in the gap **with one letter** to get the title: “On \_\_”

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### ROUND THREE (continued)

5. If this quiz had been held as a **pub quiz** at an mfm 10 years ago...  
... where would it have been held?
- (a) The Fox Talbot pub
  - (b) The Whitworth
  - (c) Old Trafford football stadium
  - (d) The Grafton Hotel

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## ROUND THREE – ANSWERS

1. *Guess the **topic** from the references:*

Vago (1976), Ringen (1978, 1988), Hayes & Londe (2006)

**Hungarian Vowel Harmony**

2. *Guess the topic from the references:*

Halle (1999), Dell & Elmedlaoui (2008), Hayes (2009), Kiparsky (2020)

**Textsetting** – aligning speech rhythm with music

3. Phonologists have abolished lots of things at past mfms  
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<http://www.lel.ed.ac.uk/mfm/25mfm-talk.pdf>

+ There is no problem of /v/ in Russian phonology (Iosad, 26mfm)

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### ROUND THREE – ANSWERS

4. What was the shortest ever title of a presentation at an mfm?  
– Fill in the gap **with one letter** to get the title: “On \_\_\_\_”

‘On r’ (Broadbent, 3mfm)

5. If this quiz had been held as a **pub quiz** at an mfm 10 years ago...  
... where would it have been held?

We would, of course, have held it at the *Whitworth* (aka, Whitworth Arms)

<http://pubs-of-manchester.blogspot.com/2011/09/158-whitworth-moss-lane-east.html>