



Fill in the gaps

Major-General's Song by Gilbert And Sullivan

...

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

I've information vegetable, animal, and mineral

I know the kings of England

And I quote the fights historical

From Marathon to Waterloo, in order categorical

I'm very well acquainted, too, with (1)_____

mathematical

I understand equations, both the simple and quadratical

About binomial (2)_____ I'm teeming with a lot o'

news

(Hmm, lot of news.... Got it!)

With many (3)_____ facts

About the square of the hypotenuse

...

I'm very good at integral and

(4)_____ calculus

I know the (5)_____ names of beings

animalculous

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

...

I know our mythic history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

I answer hard acrostics, I've a pretty taste for paradox

I (6)_____ in elegiacs all the crimes of Heliogabalus

In conics I can floor peculiarities parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels from Gerard (7)_____ and Zoffanies

I know the croaking chorus

From The Frogs of Aristophanes

Then I can hum a fugue

Of which I've (8)_____ the music's din afore

(Ooh, din afore, din afore... Got it!)

And whistle all the airs

From that infernal nonsense Pinafore

...

Then I can write a washing bill in Babylonian cuneiform

And tell you every (9)_____ of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in (10)_____ vegetable, animal, and

mineral

I am the very (11)_____ of a modern Major-General

...

In fact

When I know what is meant by "mamelon" and "ravelin"

When I can tell at sight a (12)_____ rifle from a

javelin



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And surprises I'm more wary at
And when I know precisely
What is meant by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has been (13)_____ in modern gunnery
When I (14)_____ more of tactics than a novice in a
nunnery
In short, when I've a (15)_____ of
elemental strategy
(Oh, that's a hard one, strategy... Got it!)
You'll say a better Major-General has never sat a-gee
...
For my military knowledge
Though I'm plucky and adventury
Has only been (16)_____ down
To the beginning of the century
But still, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral
I am the very model of a modern Major-General
...
(One more time?!)
...
In fact
When I know what is meant by "mamelon" and "ravelin"
When I can tell at sight a Mauser rifle from a javelin
When (17)_____ affairs as sorties
And surprises I'm more wary at
And when I (18)_____ precisely
What is meant by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has (19)_____ (20)_____ in modern
gunnery
When I know more of tactics than a novice in a nunnery
In short, when I've a (21)_____ of
elemental strategy
You'll say a better Major-General has never rode a horse!
...
For my (22)_____ knowledge
Though I'm plucky and adventury
Has (23)_____ been brought down
To the beginning of the century
But still, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral
I am the very model of a modern Major-General!
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Answer

1. matters
2. theorem
3. cheerful
4. differential
5. scientific
6. quote
7. Dows
8. heard
9. detail
10. matters
11. model
12. Mauser
13. made
14. know
15. smattering
16. brought
17. such
18. know
19. been
20. made
21. smattering
22. military
23. only