



Fill in the gaps

Major-General's Song by Gilbert And Sullivan

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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 (1)_____ categorical

I'm very well acquainted, too, with matters mathematical

I understand equations, (2)_____ the simple and quadratical

About binomial theorem I'm (3)_____ with a lot o' news

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

With many cheerful facts

About the square of the hypotenuse

...

I'm very good at integral and differential calculus

I know the scientific (4)_____ 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 (5)_____ for paradox

I quote in elegiacs all the crimes of Heliogabalus

In conics I can floor peculiarities parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels (6)_____ Gerard Dows and Zoffanies

I (7)_____ 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 (9)_____ bill in (10)_____ cuneiform

And tell you every detail of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

...

In fact

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

When I can (11)_____ at sight a Mauser rifle from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And (12)_____ I'm more wary at

And when I know precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I have learnt

What progress has been made in modern gunnery

When I know (13)_____ of tactics (14)_____ a novice in a nunnery

In short, when I've a smattering of elemental strategy

(Oh, that's a hard one, strategy... Got it!)

You'll say a (15)_____ Major-General has never sat a-gee

...

For my military knowledge

Though I'm plucky and adventury

Has only (16)_____ 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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(One more time?!)

...

In fact

When I (17)_____ (18)_____ is meant by "mamelon" and "ravelin"

When I can (19)_____ at sight a Mauser rifle from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And surprises I'm more wary at

And (20)_____ I know precisely

What is (21)_____ by "commissariat"

When I (22)_____ learnt

What (23)_____ has been (24)_____ in modern gunnery

When I know more of (25)_____ than a novice in a nunnery

In short, when I've a smattering of elemental strategy

You'll say a better Major-General has never rode a horse!

...

For my military knowledge

Though I'm plucky and adventury

Has only 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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Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. order
2. both
3. teeming
4. names
5. taste
6. from
7. know
8. heard
9. washing
10. Babylonian
11. tell
12. surprises
13. more
14. than
15. better
16. been
17. know
18. what
19. tell
20. when
21. meant
22. have
23. progress
24. made
25. tactics