



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 (1)_____ vegetable, animal, and mineral

I know the kings of England

And I (2)_____ the fights historical

From Marathon to Waterloo, in order categorical

I'm very well acquainted, too, with (3)_____ mathematical

I understand equations, (4)_____ the simple and quadratical

About (5)_____ (6)_____ I'm teeming 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 names of beings animalculous

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the (7)_____ model of a (8)_____ Major-General

...

I know our mythic history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

I answer (9)_____ acrostics, I've a pretty (10)_____ for paradox

I quote in elegiacs all the crimes of Heliogabalus

In conics I can floor (11)_____ parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels from Gerard Dows and Zoffanies

I know the croaking chorus

From The Frogs of Aristophanes

Then I can hum a fugue

Of (12)_____ I've heard 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 (13)_____ you (14)_____

(15)_____ of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

...

In fact



Fill in the gaps

When I (16)_____ what is meant by "mamelon" and
"ravelin"

When I can tell at (17)_____ a Mauser rifle from a
javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And surprises I'm more wary at

And when I know precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I have learnt

What (18)_____ has (19)_____ made in
modern gunnery

When I know more of tactics than a novice in a nunnery

In short, when I've a smattering of (20)_____
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 (21)_____ 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

...

(One more time?!)

...

In fact

When I know what is (22)_____ by "mamelon" and
"ravelin"

When I can tell at (23)_____ a Mauser
(24)_____ from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And surprises I'm more wary at

And when I know precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I (25)_____ learnt

What progress has been made in (26)_____
gunnery

When I know more of tactics (27)_____ a
(28)_____ in a nunnery

In short, when I've a (29)_____ 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. information
2. quote
3. matters
4. both
5. binomial
6. theorem
7. very
8. modern
9. hard
10. taste
11. peculiarities
12. which
13. tell
14. every
15. detail
16. know
17. sight
18. progress
19. been
20. elemental
21. only
22. meant
23. sight
24. rifle
25. have
26. modern
27. than
28. novice
29. smattering