



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 order categorical

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

(2)_____ mathematical

I (3)_____ equations, both the simple and

quadratical

About binomial theorem I'm teeming with a lot o' news

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

With (4)_____ cheerful facts

About the square of the hypotenuse

...

I'm very good at integral and differential calculus

I (5)_____ the scientific names of (6)_____

animalculous

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

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

...

I know our mythic history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

I answer hard acrostics, I've a (8)_____ taste for

paradox

I quote in elegiacs all the (9)_____ of Heliogabalus

In (10)_____ I can (11)_____ peculiarities

parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels (12)_____ Gerard Dows and Zoffanies

I know the croaking chorus

From The Frogs of Aristophanes

Then I can hum a fugue

Of which 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 (13)_____ bill in Babylonian
cuneiform

And (14)_____ you every detail of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in (15)_____ 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 tell at sight a Mauser rifle from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

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And (16)_____ I'm more wary at
And when I know precisely
What is (17)_____ by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has been made in modern gunnery
When I know more of (18)_____ than 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 better Major-General has (19)_____ sat
a-gee
...
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 (20)_____ (21)_____ 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 such affairs as sorties
And (22)_____ I'm (23)_____ wary at
And when I (24)_____ precisely
What is meant by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has (25)_____ made in modern gunnery
When I know more of tactics 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 (26)_____ of a modern Major-General!
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Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. with
2. matters
3. understand
4. many
5. know
6. beings
7. modern
8. pretty
9. crimes
10. conics
11. floor
12. from
13. washing
14. tell
15. matters
16. surprises
17. meant
18. tactics
19. never
20. very
21. model
22. surprises
23. more
24. know
25. been
26. model