



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 (1)_____ the (2)_____ historical

From (3)_____ to Waterloo, in order
categorical

I'm very (4)_____ acquainted, too, with matters
mathematical

I understand equations, both the simple and quadratical

About binomial theorem I'm teeming (5)_____ 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 (6)_____ vegetable, animal, and
mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

...

I know our (7)_____ history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

I (8)_____ hard acrostics, I've a (9)_____
taste for paradox

I quote in elegiacs all the crimes of Heliogabalus

In conics I can floor peculiarities 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 (10)_____ I've heard the music's din afore

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

And (11)_____ all the airs

From that (12)_____ nonsense Pinafore

...

Then I can write a washing bill in Babylonian cuneiform

And (13)_____ you every (14)_____ of
Caractacus's uniform

In short, in (15)_____ vegetable, animal, and
mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

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In fact

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



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When I can tell at (16)_____ a Mauser rifle from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And (17)_____ 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 more of tactics than a novice in a nunnery

In short, when I've a smattering of (18)_____ 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 (19)_____ 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 (20)_____ what is meant by "mamelon" and "ravelin"

When I can (21)_____ at sight a Mauser (22)_____ from a javelin

When such affairs as sorties

And surprises I'm more wary at

And when I (23)_____ precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I have learnt

What progress has been made in (24)_____ gunnery

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

In short, (25)_____ I've a smattering of (26)_____ strategy

You'll say a better Major-General has (27)_____ rode a horse!

...

For my (28)_____ 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 (29)_____ of a modern Major-General!

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Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. quote
2. fights
3. Marathon
4. well
5. with
6. matters
7. mythic
8. answer
9. pretty
10. which
11. whistle
12. infernal
13. tell
14. detail
15. matters
16. sight
17. surprises
18. elemental
19. been
20. know
21. tell
22. rifle
23. know
24. modern
25. when
26. elemental
27. never
28. military
29. model