



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, with matters mathematical

I (1)_____ equations, both the simple and quadratical

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

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

With many cheerful facts

About the square of the hypotenuse

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I'm very good at integral and (3)_____ calculus

I know the scientific names of beings animalculous

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the very model of a modern Major-General

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I know our (4)_____ history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

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

I quote in elegiacs all the crimes of Heliogabalus

In (5)_____ I can (6)_____ (7)_____ 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 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 detail of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in matters 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"

When I can tell at sight a (9)_____ rifle from a javelin

When such (10)_____ as sorties

And surprises I'm more (11)_____ at

And when I know precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I have learnt

What progress has been made in (12)_____ gunnery

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

In short, when I've a (14)_____ of elemental strategy

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

You'll say a (15)_____ Major-General has

(16)_____ sat a-gee

...

For my (17)_____ knowledge

Though I'm plucky and adventury

Has only been (18)_____ down

To the (19)_____ of the century

But still, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the (20)_____ model of a modern Major-General

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(One more time?!)

...

In fact

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

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

When such affairs as sorties

And (22)_____ I'm more wary at

And when I know precisely

What is meant by "commissariat"

When I have learnt

What progress has been (23)_____ in (24)_____ 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 (25)_____ brought down

To the (26)_____ 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. understand
2. teeming
3. differential
4. mythic
5. conics
6. floor
7. peculiarities
8. heard
9. Mauser
10. affairs
11. wary
12. modern
13. more
14. smattering
15. better
16. never
17. military
18. brought
19. beginning
20. very
21. tell
22. surprises
23. made
24. modern
25. been
26. beginning