



Fill in the gaps

Major-General's Song by Gilbert And Sullivan

...

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 (1)_____ to Waterloo, in order
categorical

I'm (2)_____ well acquainted, too, with matters
mathematical

I (3)_____ equations, both the simple and
quadratical

About binomial (4)_____ 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

(6)_____ calculus

I know the scientific (7)_____ of (8)_____
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 taste for paradox

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

In conics I can floor peculiarities parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels from (10)_____ Dows and Zoffanies

I know the croaking chorus

From The (11)_____ 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 (12)_____ Pinafore

...

Then I can (13)_____ a washing bill in Babylonian
cuneiform

And tell you every detail of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in (14)_____ vegetable, animal, and
mineral

I am the very model of a (15)_____ 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 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 progress has been made in modern gunnery
When I know more of (16)_____ than a novice in
a nunnery
In short, when I've a smattering of (17)_____
strategy
(Oh, that's a (18)_____ one, strategy... Got it!)
You'll say a better Major-General has never sat a-gee
...
For my (19)_____ knowledge
Though I'm plucky and adventury
Has (20)_____ 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 (21)_____ what is meant by "mamelon" and
"ravelin"
When I can tell at sight a Mauser (22)_____ from a
javelin
When such affairs as sorties
And (23)_____ 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 (24)_____ in a
nunnery
In short, when I've a smattering of elemental strategy
You'll say a better Major-General has (25)_____ rode
a horse!
...
For my (26)_____ 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 (27)_____ of a modern Major-General!
...



Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. Marathon
2. very
3. understand
4. theorem
5. with
6. differential
7. names
8. beings
9. elegiacs
10. Gerard
11. Frogs
12. nonsense
13. write
14. matters
15. modern
16. tactics
17. elemental
18. hard
19. military
20. only
21. know
22. rifle
23. surprises
24. novice
25. never
26. military
27. model