



Fill in the gaps

Major-General's Song by Gilbert And Sullivan

...

I am the very model of a (1)_____ 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 (2)_____

mathematical

I understand equations, both the simple and quadratical

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

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

With (3)_____ cheerful facts

About the square of the hypotenuse

...

I'm (4)_____ good at integral and

(5)_____ calculus

I know the scientific names of beings animalculous

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the very model of a (6)_____ Major-General

...

I know our mythic history

King Arthur's and Sir Caradoc's

I answer (7)_____ acrostics, I've a (8)_____

taste for paradox

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

In conics I can floor (10)_____

parabolous

I can tell undoubted

Raphaels (11)_____ Gerard Dows and Zoffanies

I know the croaking chorus

From The (12)_____ 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 (13)_____ nonsense Pinafore

...

Then I can write a washing (14)_____ in Babylonian

cuneiform

And tell you every detail of Caractacus's uniform

In short, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral

I am the (15)_____ model of a modern Major-General

...

In fact

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

"ravelin"

When I can tell at sight a Mauser rifle from a javelin



Fill in the gaps

And (17)_____ I'm more wary at
And when I know precisely
What is meant by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has (18)_____ 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
(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 been brought down
To the beginning of the century
But still, in matters vegetable, animal, and mineral
I am the (19)_____ model 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 (20)_____ a javelin
When (21)_____ affairs as sorties
And (22)_____ I'm more wary at
And (23)_____ I know precisely
What is meant by "commissariat"
When I have learnt
What progress has (24)_____ made in modern gunnery
When I know more of tactics than a novice in a nunnery
In short, when I've a smattering of (25)_____
strategy
You'll say a better Major-General has never rode a horse!
...
For my military knowledge
Though I'm (26)_____ 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!
...



Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. modern
2. matters
3. many
4. very
5. differential
6. modern
7. hard
8. pretty
9. crimes
10. peculiarities
11. from
12. Frogs
13. infernal
14. bill
15. very
16. meant
17. surprises
18. been
19. very
20. from
21. such
22. surprises
23. when
24. been
25. elemental
26. plucky