The DEFINITE ARTICLE

We ask a celebrity a set of devilishly probing questions – and only accept THE definitive answer. This week: Duran Duran singer Simon Le Bon

The prized possession you value above all others… I’m not that materialistic but I adore my Riva speedboat. I bought her in 1984 and she’s my only ‘rock star’ indulgence. I love the pleasure she gives others.

The biggest regret you wish you could amend… I wish I’d shown more gratitude to my old choirmaster Michael Turvey and the Pinner Parish Church choir when I wrote the sleeve notes to an album they made in the 80s. I sang in that choir as a kid and it did so much for me.

The temptation you wish you could resist… Throwing myself into supporting the England football team and Man Utd. I’d avoid a lot of disappointment if I held back a bit.

The book that holds an everlasting resonance… The Hobbit. My teacher Miss Bateman read it to my class when I was nine and it took my breath away. I’m really into history, particularly the Dark Ages and the 100 Years War. It’s all such a mystery.

The priority activity if you were the Invisible Man for a day… I’d begin the day floating over the rings of Saturn while eating porridge followed by scrambled eggs with Fried tomatoes. I’d then go for a swim at the Grand Hotel Quissamara on Capri, followed by a big Italian lunch overlooking the sea with Yasmin and our girls – Amber, 26, Saffron, 24, and Tallulah, 21. I’d end the day dining with the girls at sunset on Palm Island in the Grenadines.

The person who has influenced you most… My mum Ann. She was an opera singer and I’m eternally grateful to her for making music part of my life. She put a radio in my bedroom when I was tiny and I used to sleep to classical music. She’s 80 now and lives in a house at the end of our garden in London.

The film you can watch time and time again… La Dolce Vita. Anita Ekberg is so beautiful, she’s like an ice cream with cherries on top!

The pet hate that makes your hackles rise… I can’t stand bullies at work, or in relationships, who force people to do things they don’t want to do. I’m not violent but bullies make me so angry I want to punch them.

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The piece of wisdom that would pass on to a child… Don’t be frightened. When you’re nervous it’s only adrenaline you’re feeling, and it’s preparing you to do something extraordinary.

The philosophy that underpins your life… It would be so entertaining. It would bullies at work, or in relationships, who force people to do things they don’t want to do. I’m not violent but bullies make me so angry I want to punch them.

The figure from history for whom you’d most like to buy a pie and a pint… Mahatma Gandhi. I’d like to know how he found the strength to go on hunger strike and to keep fighting for what he believed in.

The unlikely interest that engages your curiosity… I’m really into history, particularly the Dark Ages and the 100 Years War. It’s all such a mystery.

The unending quest that drives you on… Making music. It’s still a thrill.

The song that means most to you… Come Undone. It’s cheesy to choose one but it’s one that just clicked. That day changed my life.

The way you would spend your fantasy 24 hours, with no travel restrictions… I’d begin the day floating over the rings of Saturn while eating porridge followed by scrambled eggs with Fried tomatoes. I’d then go for a swim at the Grand Hotel Quissamara on Capri, followed by a big Italian lunch overlooking the sea with Yasmin and our girls – Amber, 26, Saffron, 24, and Tallulah, 21. I’d have a few glasses of Alteni d’Brassica white wine, then I’d go sailing around the Cyclades islands in Greece. I’d squeeze in a bit of skiing in New Zealand before having a Dark ‘n’ Stormy rum cocktail at

PS…

Angelina Jolie stars in romantic drama By The Sea with husband Brad Pitt – in cinemas from Friday. Guys And Dolls comes to London’s Savoy Theatre from Thursday. And Def Leppard kick off a UK tour with Whitesnake in Belfast on Monday