We ask a celebrity a set of devilishly probing questions – and only accept THE definitive answer. This week it’s presenter Gabby Logan’s turn

The prized possession you value above all others... My Metrin skin creams – nothing else feels right on my skin. Once I left them somewhere and got my husband Kenny [former rugby player Kenny Logan] to drive 60 miles to collect them.

The biggest regret you wish you could amend... Being voted off Strictly Come Dancing in 2007 before Kenny! I went in week four and he lasted until week nine. He teases me that he’s the better dancer, but I tell him he was just more popular.

The temptation you wish you could resist... The delicious homemade bread you get in restaurants.

The book that holds an everlasting resonance... The Secret Diary Of Adrian Mole. Aged 13½ by Sue Townsend. I read it when I was 13 and really connected to his awkwardness.

The person who has influenced you most... In my 20s it was my mum Christine. In my 30s it was my husband. I’m 42 now and I try to see the world through the eyes of my ten-year-old twins Reuben and Lois.

Right: Queen Elizabeth II. Above right: a John Deere tractor. Far right: a leopard cub

The pet hate that makes your hackles rise... Rice left on plates that blocks the dishwasher! It’s happened three times recently and I have no idea who’s responsible.

The crime you would commit knowing you could get away with it... I’d steal a John Deere tractor for Kenny, who dreams of owning one. He was brought up on a farm and had pictures of tractors on his bedroom wall instead of supermodels.

The film you can watch time and time again... Airplane! I watched it with my dad [ex-footballer Terry Yorath] aged eight and didn’t really get it, but I’ve grown to love it. The script is brilliant.

The song that means most to you... Mr Blue Sky by ELO cheers me up when I sing it in the car.

The figure from history whom you’d most like to buy a pie and a pint... Queen Elizabeth I. She was such a strong woman and made so many big decisions – I’d like to know who she trusted.

The unending quest that drives you on... To speak French fluently. I’ve been learning since I was at school and use teach-yourself CDs in my car, but still can’t speak it properly.

The piece of wisdom you would pass on to a child... Follow your passions in life – and don’t worry about puberty! The fact that you will look back on the day you were born and think ‘How did I ever get here?’

The song that means most to you... Mrs Robinson’s ‘You’d be so much better in bed’.

The poem that touches your soul... WB Yeats’s He Wishes For The Cloths Of Heaven, which I first read in my 20s. It’s about respecting the dreams of others.

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The order of service at your funeral... I want a big garden party with plenty of wine and music and I want people to wear bright colours and be happy.

The way you want to be remembered... She always had a spring in her step.

The Pulitzer Prize... Gabby Logan presents the BBC’s coverage of the RBS 6 Nations which starts today on BBC1 from 1.30pm with France vs Italy, then Scotland vs England. As told to Rob Mc Gibbon

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