- 1. The controversial memo about Nicola Sturgeon's alleged comments to the French ambassador was written in March while you were still an MP for Orkney and Shetland. When did you first become aware of its existence?
- 2. Your Liberal Democrat special adviser first contacted the Daily Telegraph on 1 April by which time you had authorised the leak. The newspaper published their story on 3 April and you immediately denied any involvement. The Cabinet Office launched their inquiry into the source of the leak the following day. When did they ask you about your involvement?
- 3. When did you admit your involvement to them?
- 4. Why did you admit your involvement to them? Were you forced to because there was evidence you could not deny?
- 5. Why did you not admit your involvement to the people of Orkney and Shetland until two weeks after the general election?
- 6. Was it because you feared it might lose you votes?
- 7. How would you expect people in Orkney & Shetland to feel about you keeping quiet about this until you we're re-elected?
- 8. Can you understand why so many people feel they have been duped and feel they can no longer trust you?
- 9. Why not resign and let your constituents decide whether you should be given a second chance to represent them at Westminster?
- 10. You have said you would stand down as an MP at the next election. If you don't resign now the only chance people will have to pass judgment at the ballot box upon your behaviour will be next year's Scottish election? Do you not think that is unfair on your colleagues Tavish Scott and Liam McArthur?
- 11. Are you surprised at the strength of feeling in the northern isles about what you have done?
- 12. Is it the case that you thought your actions as Secretary of State for Scotland had little bearing on your position as a local MP?
- 13. Last Friday you apologised to the first minister and the French ambassador. This week you told STV you had apologised to your local constituents. When did you do that?
- 14. Would it not make sense to put this matter to rest by presenting yourself once again for re-election and letting your constituents be the judge of whether you should continue to represent them?