



A Christmas Quiz

ANSWERS

50 points in total

1. Which country gives Britain the Trafalgar Square Christmas tree?	Norway
2. Who introduced the Christmas Tree to Britain?	Prince Albert
3. Which country started the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree?	Germany
4. What is the liturgical colour for Advent?	Purple
5. Which UK monarch delivered the first Christmas Broadcast on the BBC in 1932, and who wrote the speech? (2 points)	George V Rudyard Kipling
6. What year was Queen Elizabeth's first televised Christmas Day speech?	1957
7. At the end of the 17 th century, which was the only carol licensed for use in the Church of England?	While Shepherd's Watched
8. Who invented the Christmas cracker?	Tom Smith, the London based confectioner & baker
9. What is the name of the traditional yeast fruit cake eaten in Germany?	Stollen
10. Which Feast Day is on 26 th December?	St Stephen's
11. Which popular Christmas plant is part of the Ilex family?	Holly
12. The birth of Jesus is recounted in Luke and which other book of the New Testament?	Matthew
13. Who were "Following Yonder Star"?	The Three Kings
14. In what year was Band Aid's "Do they know it's Christmas" the UK chart topping record?	1984
15. The red and white costume of Father Christmas was allegedly introduced by which drinks manufacturer?	Coca Cola
16. What Christmas food should only be eaten between, and including, Christmas Day and Twelfth Night?	Mince Pies
17. In the Christmas song, what was roasting on an open fire?	Chestnuts
18. In which parish, did the Rev Geraldine Grainger eat multiple Christmas dinners?	Dibley
19. How many different types of bird are mentioned in the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas"?	6 (Partridge, turtle dove, French hen, calling bird, goose & swan)
20. "In heaven the bells are ringing" is the 2 nd line of which carol?	Ding Dong Merrily on High

21. Name four of Santa's reindeer other than Rudolph. (4 points)	Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Blitzen, Donner
22. Which ocean is Christmas island situated in?	Indian Ocean
23. On a Christingle, what does the red ribbon symbolise?	Blood of Christ
24. In Dickens' " <i>A Christmas Carol</i> ", who served up the Figgy Pudding?	Mrs Cratchit
25. What is the birth sign of people born on Christmas Day?	Capricorn
26. Which country does " <i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i> " originate from?	America
27. Which famous scientist who developed the three laws of motion, was born on Christmas day 1642?	Sir Isaac Newton
28. In the movie " <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i> ", what happened every time a bell rang?	An angel got its wings
29. Yorkshireman William Strickland is believed to have brought the first what to Britain from North America in 1526?	Turkey
30. Name the Three Wise men (3 points)	Balthasar, Melchior & Caspar
31. Which US president banned Christmas trees from the White House?	Theodore Roosevelt
32. What is the chemical formula of snow?	H2O (water!)
33. Which popular Christmas beverage is also called 'milk punch'?	Eggnog
34. Which film features the song " <i>Walking in the Air</i> "?	The Snowman
35. Which plant often given as a gift at Christmas, has bright red and green leaves and is sometimes known as the Christmas flower?	Poinsettia
36. On Christmas Day 2003, the final Christmas special of which show was aired, called " <i>Sleepless in Peckham</i> "?	Only Fools and Horses
37. What are the names of the four ghosts that visit Scrooge in " <i>A Christmas Carol</i> "? (4 points)	Jacob Marley, The Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come
38. What is the best-selling Christmas song of all time?	"White Christmas" by Bing Crosby
39. In which author's novel is it " <i>always winter but never Christmas</i> "? Can you also name the novel? (2 points)	C.S. Lewis. The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe
40. In which country is it the tradition to eat KFC for Christmas dinner?	Japan