Christmas Family Quiz

50 QUESTIONS • FIVE FESTIVE ROUNDS

Round 1 – Christmas Traditions & Trivia

1. Which company is widely credited with popularising the modern, red-suited image of Santa Claus through its advertising?
2. Which popular boy's name is also the French word for Christmas?
3. Which country sends a Christmas tree to Trafalgar Square each year?
4. In which country is it traditional to have a KFC meal on Christmas Day??
5. What originally caused controversy in Victorian Britain because it depicted a family, including children, drinking wine?
6. Which popular Christmas table tradition was invented by London confectioner Tom Smith in 1847?
7. What is the name of the calendar used to count down the days until Christmas?
8. Which European country is closely associated with the early tradition of decorating Christmas trees?
9. Before turkey became the traditional Christmas dinner, what was the most popular choice for a festive roast?
10. Which plant, with the scientific name *Euphorbia pulcherrima*, was first described by Europeans in 1834?



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Round 2 – Christmas Films

1. What fictional character created by Dr. Seuss tried to steal Christmas from the Whos in Whoville?
2. In the 1998 film starring Michael Keaton, what is the name of the snowman who comes to life?
3. What animated fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen inspired the 2013 Disney movie Frozen?
4. Which Christmas film features Kris Kringle, a man who claims to be the real Santa Claus and is hired by Macy's department store in New York?
5. In Toy Story 2, who draws a detailed portrait of Al McWhiggin wearing his chicken suit so the toys can identify who stole Woody?
6. In Home Alone, how old is Kevin McCallister?
7. What is the name of the human raised by elves in the film Elf?
8. In The Snowman, what is the title of the famous song sung during the flying sequence?
9. How many ghosts visit Scrooge if Jacob Marley is included?
10. What word beginning with 'B' is stamped onto the ticket given to the main boy on Christmas Day in The Polar Express?

Round 3 – Pantomimes & Songs

1. What object does Cinderella's Fairy Godmother turn into a coach to take her to the ball?
2. Which Christmas song was originally written for Thanksgiving rather than Christmas and was the first Christmas song sung in space?
3. What is the name of Aladdin's well-known pantomime mother?
4. Which carol contains the words "Peace on earth, and mercy mild"?
5. Dame Trott is a character in which pantomime?
6. Which word in a famous Christmas carol refers to a trough used to feed horses?
7. Which Christmas song begins "Dashing through the snow"?
8. In The Twelve Days of Christmas, how many swans are swimming?
9. Who is the male servant in Cinderella's household who loves her from afar?
10. Complete the famous panto villain line: "Mirror, mirror on the wall..."?

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Round 4 – Christmas Food and Toys

1. Which vegetable is traditionally used for a snowman's nose?
2. How many circles are there on a Twister mat?
3. What colour is the wrapper of the triangular-shaped chocolate in a tub of Quality Street?
4. What is the sweeter version of almond paste known as?
5. Who was the first English monarch to eat turkey for Christmas?
6. Name the Italian sweet bread and fruitcake traditionally eaten at Christmas?
7. How many segments are there in a Terry's chocolate orange?
8. Traditional shortbread is made using a classic 3:2:1 ratio by weight: three parts flour, two parts butter, and one part what?
9. Which toy takes its name from the Danish phrase meaning "play well"?
10. In 1983, what was given white bendable arms wearing white gloves?

Round 5 – Christmas General Knowledge

1. What was the nickname given to Victorian postmen because of their red uniforms?
2. What colour are the berries on European mistletoe?
3. If you were born on Christmas Day what is your star sign?
4. What is the name of the snowman in Frozen?
5. What American state's Spanish name literally translates to "covered in snow"?
6. In 2005, Carol Aebersold and her daughter Chanda Bell published a book that started which modern festive tradition?
7. Who composed "Auld Lang Syne"?
8. "Nadolig Llawen" means Merry Christmas in what language?
9. Which American author, best known for works such as The Legend of Sleepy Hollow, played a significant role in popularising Christmas traditions in America?
10. Can you solve the following festive anagram: Drastic charms?

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