

Holiday Trivia Questions and Answers

The Ultimate Christmas Quiz — Free Printable Edition

52 Questions Covering Kids, Family, Movies, Music, History & More

How to Use This Printable

1. Print this sheet single- or double-sided for every player or team.
 2. Read the questions aloud (or hand out copies) and give players time to answer.
 3. Turn to the Answer Key on the last page to check scores.
 4. 1 point per correct answer — most points at the end wins the title of 'Christmas Trivia Champion'!
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Free to print and share for personal, family, classroom, or office party use.

Easy & Kids Trivia

1. What is the day before Christmas called?

Answer: _____

2. What color is Rudolph's nose?

Answer: _____

3. Where does Santa Claus live?

Answer: _____

4. What do people traditionally put at the top of a Christmas tree?

Answer: _____

5. What do children hang by the fireplace for presents?

Answer: _____

6. What animal pulls Santa's sleigh?

Answer: _____

7. What is the traditional color combination of Christmas?

Answer: _____

8. What do you call a group of Christmas carol singers?

Answer: _____

9. What is often used as a snowman's nose?

Answer: _____

10. On what date is Christmas Day celebrated?

Answer: _____

Family Trivia

11. What is Santa's wife's name?

Answer: _____

12. How many reindeer traditionally pull Santa's sleigh (not counting Rudolph)?

Answer: _____

13. What plant with red berries is a popular Christmas decoration?

Answer: _____

14. What treat do families traditionally leave out for Santa?

Answer: _____

15. What is the name of Frosty the Snowman's hat?

Answer: _____

16. In "The 12 Days of Christmas," what gift is given on the first day?

Answer: _____

17. What popular Christmas plant is also known as the "Christmas flower"?

Answer: _____

18. What do people typically leave out for Santa's reindeer?

Answer: _____

19. What is a wreath traditionally hung on?

Answer: _____

20. What sweet, spiced drink is popular during the holidays?

Answer: _____

Christmas Movie Trivia

21. In "Elf," what department store does Buddy the Elf work at?

Answer: _____

22. Who is left "Home Alone" in the classic 1990 movie?

Answer: _____

23. What does the Grinch's heart do at the end of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"?

Answer: _____

24. Who plays Clark Griswold in "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"?

Answer: _____

25. What is the name of the main character in "A Christmas Story"?

Answer: _____

26. In "It's a Wonderful Life," what is George Bailey's guardian angel called?

Answer: _____

27. What is the name of Scrooge's deceased business partner in "A Christmas Carol"?

Answer: _____

28. Which actor played Ebenezer Scrooge in the 1951 film adaptation?

Answer: _____

29. What train does the boy board in "The Polar Express"?

Answer: _____

30. In "Home Alone," what are the two burglars called?

Answer: _____

Christmas Music & Carol Trivia

31. Which carol contains the lyrics "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire"?

Answer: _____

32. What is another name for the carol "Adeste Fideles"?

Answer: _____

33. Which reindeer is featured in a famous holiday song by Johnny Marks?

Answer: _____

34. What is the first line of "Jingle Bells"?

Answer: _____

35. Who wrote the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" ("Twas the Night Before Christmas")?

Answer: _____

36. What bird is gifted on the sixth day in "The 12 Days of Christmas"?

Answer: _____

37. Which carol is famously associated with a silent, holy night?

Answer: _____

38. What modern pop star is famous for "All I Want for Christmas Is You"?

Answer: _____

Christmas History & Traditions

39. In which century did the tradition of decorating Christmas trees originate?

Answer: _____

40. What ancient Roman festival is linked to the timing of Christmas celebrations?

Answer: _____

41. Who is Santa Claus historically based on?

Answer: _____

42. What popular Christmas food in Japan surprises many Westerners?

Answer: _____

43. What is the French name for the traditional Christmas log-shaped dessert?

Answer: _____

44. Which country is credited with popularizing the Christmas card tradition?

Answer: _____

45. What is the biblical town traditionally associated with the Nativity?

Answer: _____

46. Which U.S. president is credited with making Thanksgiving-to-Christmas the modern "holiday season"?

Answer: _____

Funny & Clever Trivia

47. According to the song, what did the singer see "kissing Santa Claus"?

Answer: _____

48. What do you call Santa when he skips the chimney and takes the stairs?

Answer: _____

49. Which "naughty list" gift is a Christmas classic punishment in stockings?

Answer: _____

50. What's the punchline: why was the snowman rummaging through the carrot bag?

Answer: _____

51. In "Elf," what are the main food groups Buddy believes in?

Answer: _____

52. What's a clever way to remember all eight of Santa's original reindeer?

Answer: _____

Answer Key

#	Question	Answer
1	What is the day before Christmas called?	Christmas Eve
2	What color is Rudolph's nose?	Red
3	Where does Santa Claus live?	The North Pole
4	What do people traditionally put at the top of a Christmas tree?	An angel or a star
5	What do children hang by the fireplace for presents?	Stockings
6	What animal pulls Santa's sleigh?	Reindeer
7	What is the traditional color combination of Christmas?	Red and green
8	What do you call a group of Christmas carol singers?	Carolers
9	What is often used as a snowman's nose?	A carrot
10	On what date is Christmas Day celebrated?	December 25th
11	What is Santa's wife's name?	Mrs. Claus
12	How many reindeer traditionally pull Santa's sleigh (not counting Rudolph)?	Eight
13	What plant with red berries is a popular Christmas decoration?	Holly
14	What treat do families traditionally leave out for Santa?	Cookies and milk
15	What is the name of Frosty the Snowman's hat?	A magic silk top hat
16	In "The 12 Days of Christmas," what gift is given on the first day?	A partridge in a pear tree
17	What popular Christmas plant is also known as the "Christmas flower"?	Poinsettia
18	What do people typically leave out for Santa's reindeer?	Carrots
19	What is a wreath traditionally hung on?	The front door
20	What sweet, spiced drink is popular during the holidays?	Eggnog
21	In "Elf," what department store does Buddy the Elf work at?	Gimbel's
22	Who is left "Home Alone" in the classic 1990 movie?	Kevin McCallister
23	What does the Grinch's heart do at the end of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"?	It grows three sizes

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24	Who plays Clark Griswold in "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"?	Chevy Chase
25	What is the name of the main character in "A Christmas Story"?	Ralphie Parker
26	In "It's a Wonderful Life," what is George Bailey's guardian angel called?	Clarence
27	What is the name of Scrooge's deceased business partner in "A Christmas Carol"?	Jacob Marley
28	Which actor played Ebenezer Scrooge in the 1951 film adaptation?	Alastair Sim
29	What train does the boy board in "The Polar Express"?	The Polar Express (to the North Pole)
30	In "Home Alone," what are the two burglars called?	The Wet Bandits
31	Which carol contains the lyrics "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire"?	"The Christmas Song"
32	What is another name for the carol "Adeste Fideles"?	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
33	Which reindeer is featured in a famous holiday song by Johnny Marks?	Rudolph
34	What is the first line of "Jingle Bells"?	"Dashing through the snow"
35	Who wrote the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" ("Twas the Night Before Christmas")?	Clement Clarke Moore
36	What bird is gifted on the sixth day in "The 12 Days of Christmas"?	Six geese a-laying
37	Which carol is famously associated with a silent, holy night?	"Silent Night"
38	What modern pop star is famous for "All I Want for Christmas Is You"?	Mariah Carey
39	In which century did the tradition of decorating Christmas trees originate?	The 16th century (Germany)
40	What ancient Roman festival is linked to the timing of Christmas celebrations?	Saturnalia
41	Who is Santa Claus historically based on?	St. Nicholas of Myra
42	What popular Christmas food in Japan surprises many Westerners?	KFC (fried chicken)
43	What is the French name for the traditional Christmas log-shaped dessert?	Bûche de Noël

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44	Which country is credited with popularizing the Christmas card tradition?	England
45	What is the biblical town traditionally associated with the Nativity?	Bethlehem
46	Which U.S. president is credited with making Thanksgiving-to-Christmas the modern "holiday season"?	Franklin D. Roosevelt
47	According to the song, what did the singer see "kissing Santa Claus"?	Mommy
48	What do you call Santa when he skips the chimney and takes the stairs?	A trick question — Santa always uses the chimney!
49	Which "naughty list" gift is a Christmas classic punishment in stockings?	A lump of coal
50	What's the punchline: why was the snowman rummaging through the carrot bag?	He was picking his nose
51	In "Elf," what are the main food groups Buddy believes in?	Candy, candy canes, candy corns, and syrup
52	What's a clever way to remember all eight of Santa's original reindeer?	Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, and Blitzen