

# 12 Things about Christmas

Do the quiz to find out if you know these twelve things about Christmas.

1 The very first Christmas tree was decorated in:

- a) Italy.
- b) Germany.
- c) Finland.

2 They brought the first turkey to Europe in the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

- a) The Spanish.
- b) The Portuguese.
- c) The English.

3 A mince pie is a traditional British Christmas delicacy. What is it stuffed with?

- a) Minced meat.
- b) Dried fruit.
- c) Chocolate filling.

4 In the English-speaking countries there is a tradition of kissing under a sprig of which plant?

- a) Ivy.
- b) Holly.
- c) Mistletoe.

5 The authors of *Silent Night* were a priest and a teacher, both from:

- a) Germany.
- b) Switzerland.
- c) Austria.

6 Whose is the original version of the Christmas classic *White Christmas*?

- a) Bing Crosby's.
- b) Frank Sinatra's.
- c) Nat King Cole's.

7 Boxing Day is celebrated on:

- a) 26<sup>th</sup> December.
- b) 27<sup>th</sup> December.
- c) 28<sup>th</sup> December.

8 The poem known as "'Twas the Night Before Christmas", by Clement Clarke Moore, has been described as the "best-known verses ever written by an American". Its original name is:

- a) "The Night Before Christmas"
- b) "A Visit from St. Nicholas"
- c) "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town"



**9** Who is the creator of the famous Grinch character?

- a)** Dr. Seuss.
- b)** Charles Dickens.
- c)** Mark Twain.

**10** The character of good King Wenceslas, from a popular English Christmas carol, was based on a real nobleman from:

- a)** Croatia.
- b)** Poland.
- c)** Bohemia.

**11** The holiday which is called "Tri kralja" in Croatian, celebrated on 6<sup>th</sup> January, or twelve days after Christmas, is known in English as Epiphany or:

- a)** Twelfth Night.
- b)** Wise Men's Day.
- c)** Twelfth Day.

**12** Which of the following three names does not refer to the period between Christmas and Epiphany?

- a)** The Twelve Days of Christmas.
- b)** Lent.
- c)** Yuletide.