

# CHRISTMAS QUIZZES

## Round 1 - General Knowledge

No.	Question	Answer
1	What period of the liturgical year commences on the fourth Sunday before Christmas?	Advent
2	In the Charles Dickens novel "A Christmas Carol" who is Scrooge's former business partner?	Jacob Marley
3	Stollen is a fruit bread eaten at Christmas that is thought to have originated in what country?	Germany
4	Who looked out on the Feast of Saint Stephen when "the snow lay round about"?	King Wenceslas
5	Which silent movie star died in Switzerland on Christmas day 1977?	Charlie Chaplin
6	Marie and Pierre Curie announced the discovery of which element on 26 December 1898?	Radium
7	What is the only gospel to mention the "Wise Men"?	Matthew
8	Which famous scientist was born on Christmas Day 1642?	Isaac Newton
9	Which president resigned on 25 December 1991 declaring his office extinct?	Mikhail Gorbachev
10	Published after his death what famous author wrote the book, "The Father Christmas Letters"?	J. R. R. Tolkien

## Round 2 - Music

No.	Question	Answer
1	"Return to Sender" was a 1962 Christmas number 1 for which artist?	Elvis Presley
2	Name the two groups who have had Christmas no. 1 singles for three consecutive years?	The Beatles, Spice Girls
3	Which Christmas carol's second verse begins with "The cattle are lowing"?	Away in a Manger
4	The melody for "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" is based on "Festesang" by what composer?	Felix Mendelssohn
5	Who sings the opening line, "It was Christmas Eve babe," from the song "Fairytale of New York"?	Shane McGowan
6	The world's best-selling single is "White Christmas" sung by Bing Crosby, who wrote it?	Irving Berlin
7	In what year was the Band Aid single "Do They Know It's Christmas" first released?	1984
8	Who sang with Robbie Williams on the 2001 Christmas no. 1 "Something Stupid"?	Nicole Kidman
9	What British folk rock group had a 1973 hit with the 16 <sup>th</sup> century Christmas carol "Gaudete"?	Steeleye Span
10	Who had a minor hit (no. 69 in the Billboard Hot 100) in 1958 with the song "Run Rudolph Run"?	Chuck Berry

## Round 3 - Films

No.	Question	Answer
1	What 1954 Christmas film stars Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye?	White Christmas
2	New York cop, John McClane, saves a Christmas party from a group of robbers in what film?	Die Hard
3	In what 1965 film does Lara Antipova shoot Victor Komarovsky at a Christmas party?	Doctor Zhivago
4	Who played George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life"?	James Stewart
5	In what 1944 film does Judy Garland sing "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"?	Meet Me in St. Louis
6	In the film "Merry Christmas, Mr Lawrence" who plays Major Jack "Strafer" Celliers	David Bowie
7	Kris Kringle played by Edmund Gwenn is a character in what 1947 Christmas film?	Miracle on 34 <sup>th</sup> Street
8	In what Tim Burton film does Johnny Depp's character carve an ice sculpture over Christmas?	Edward Scissorhands
9	Billy Peltzer receives a Christmas present from his father of "Gizmo" a "Mogwai" in what 1984 film?	Gremlins
10	In what Christmas-related film does Donald Trump have a cameo role playing himself?	Home Alone 2

## Round 4 - Sport

No.	Question	Answer
1	Since 1980 the Australian "Boxing Day Test" match has been played at which cricket ground?	Melbourne Cricket Ground
2	Which ex-Brentford footballer and Sky Sports presenter was born on Christmas Day 1957?	Chris Kamara
3	What former England goalkeeper, born Boxing Day 1913, died in the Munich air disaster?	Frank Swift
4	Which Englishman was ranked number 1 golfer in the world on Christmas Day 2011?	Luke Donald
5	Born in Madras on Christmas Eve 1932 who was the first cricketeer to play 100 test matches?	Colin Cowdrey
6	The King George VI Chase is a steeplechase run on Boxing Day at which racecourse?	Kempton Park
7	Who became the first African American world heavyweight boxing champion on Boxing Day 1908?	Jack Johnson
8	What defender signed for Manchester United from Spartak Moscow on 25 December 2005?	Nemanja Vidić
9	Every Christmas Day members of the Serpentine Swimming Club race 100yds for what trophy?	Peter Pan Cup
10	In what year was the last First Division football match played on Christmas Day in England?	1965



Merry Christmas

