



Charities Committee Christmas Quiz

The Charities Committee is a group of students who aim to raise money for good causes throughout the school year. This half term we have been supporting SSNAP, a charity that supports sick newborns and their parents through the SCBU at the John Radcliffe Hospital.

We have put together a quiz for your festive entertainment. In the lull after Christmas Dinner and before Dr Who try answering our Christmassy conundrums. In January ask your son to drop the completed quiz into the MCR with a £1 entry fee and you could win a prize!

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The Questions... (Disclaimer – the boys have written these, and their answers are final!)

1. How many days are there in total in the song '12 Days of Christmas'?
2. How many miles is Abingdon north of Newbury?
3. Which car factory based in Abingdon built over 1.1 million cars in the early to mid 20th Century?
4. What is the name of Scrooge's dead business partner?
5. Which two of Santa's reindeer are also the names of weather events?
6. What Christian group banned Christmas in Boston from 1659 to 1681?
7. What was the Christmas Number 1 in 2000?
8. When was the phrase 'Christmas' first recorded?
9. What does mistletoe mean in Germanic?
10. Which alcoholic beverage is used to make a 'Snowball'?
11. What is the traditional Christmas dinner in Japan?
12. The Christmas Tree in Trafalgar Square is a gift given each year from which country?
13. What is the most popular Christmas tree topper?
14. What present did Harry Potter receive for his first Christmas at Hogwarts?
15. In the National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation, what creature did the Griswold family discover living in their Christmas Tree?
16. What do you get when you breed a male horse and a female donkey?
17. Where does the tradition of putting tangerines in stockings come from?
18. How many times did Joseph speak during the Christmas story (of the Bible)?
19. Traditionally, what should be done after kissing someone underneath the mistletoe?
20. Which Christmas item was invented by Tom Smith in 1847?
21. Name 3 of Santa's reindeer whose names start with the letter 'D'?
22. Who wrote the book that inspired the 1983 film 'The Snowman'?
23. On average, how many babies are born on Christmas day?
24. What space related event happened on Christmas eve in 1968?
25. What percentage of the Earth's fresh water is held in the Antarctic ice sheet?

26. How many Christmas trees are grown in Europe each year?
27. Which group holds the record for most Christmas number ones in the charts?
28. Boxing Day 2007 saw Chelsea draw 4-4 with Aston Villa, how but how many red cards were shown?
29. Which festive Paraguayan footballer did Blackburn Rovers sign in 2007 who later went on to score 23 goals in 57 games.
30. Caribou is another name for what species?
31. What day is the winter solstice on?
32. Which country has the famous 'mouse trap' ski slope in it?
33. How many X factor winners have had Christmas number ones in the UK charts?
34. What is the city closest to the South Pole?
35. Which is the city closest to the North Pole?
36. What is the best selling single of all time?
37. In which US State would you find the city of Bethlehem?
38. Which English King was crowned on Christmas Day?
39. How many mince pies are sold in the UK annually?
40. What is the highest grossing Christmas film of all time?
41. Which country did Santa originally come from?
42. Which country has the Christmas tradition of watching Donald Duck?
43. How long was the largest Christmas cracker ever made?
44. What kind of shape is common Christmas snack the pringle?
45. Which well known Christmas carol was the first ever to be broadcast from space in 1965?
46. In what decade did Coca Cola start using Santa Claus in their advertisements.
47. What is the name of Ebenezer Scrooge's partner, from the play, A Christmas Carol?
48. Which of Santa's reindeer is named after another animal
49. How tall was the tallest cut Christmas tree?
50. What is the time difference between Lapland, Finland and London, UK in December?