

Christmas Quiz

1. Choose the correct answer!



- In which books do we find the story of Jesus' birth? (Two correct answers!)
 - Matthew
 - Mark
 - Luke
 - John
- What was the name of the angel who visited Mary to tell her she was going to have a baby by the Holy Spirit?
 - Raphael
 - Roger
 - Gabriel
 - Michael
- Who were the first people to visit Mary after baby Jesus was born?
 - the wise men
 - Joseph's mother
 - Mary's mother
 - shepherds
- Which of the following names does NOT refer to one of the Three Kings?
 - Caspar
 - Balthazar
 - Teleost
 - Melchior
- What guided the Three Wise Men to the infant Jesus?
 - the sun
 - a new star
 - the moon
 - a shooting star
- What gift was NOT given to Jesus by the Three Wise Men?
 - frankincense
 - gold
 - silver
 - myrrh
- How old were the infants that were slain (=killed) under the orders of Herod?
 - one
 - two
 - three
 - four

8. Jesus was born

- A. at home
- B. in a hotel room
- C. in a hospital room
- D. in a stable

9. Prince Albert brought the tradition of Christmas trees over to England from

- A. Switzerland
- B. Austria
- C. Germany
- D. the United States of America

10. King George V brought this custom into being:

- A. pulling a Christmas cracker
- B. the annual broadcasting of the Queen's Christmas Message
- C. that gifts are opened in the morning
- D. eating stuffed roast turkey at Christmas

11. In the USA, the festive season begins on the fourth Thursday in November, which is

- A. Thanksgiving
- B. Easter
- C. Boxing Day
- D. Columbus Day

12. The Christmas pudding is

- A. eaten on Christmas Eve
- B. is rich baked fruit cake with marzipan and icing
- C. is filled with pork
- D. is cooked in milk

13. Which of these does NOT belong to one of Santa's reindeer?

- A. Klaxon
- B. Prancer
- C. Blitzen
- D. Comet

+ 1. Which of the following is NOT TRUE? Rudolph's nose

- A. was red
- B. was shiny
- C. was swollen
- D. glowed

2. Complete the story with only one word in each gap! The pictures will help you. You can use a word more than once.



The Christmas _____



Jake was nine years old and for as long as he could remember he lived within the walls of an orphanage. He was one of ten children supported by what meager contributions the orphan home could obtain in donations from local townspeople.

Throughout the year there was very little to eat, but at Christmas there always seemed to be a little bit more than usual. The orphanage seemed a bit warmer and there was time for holiday enjoyment. But most importantly there was the Christmas ¹ _____!

Christmas was the only time of year that such a rare treat was provided and it was treasured by each child. They each enjoyed their very own ² _____ and prized it as they slowly savored each juicy section. It was truly the light of their Christmas and the best gift of the season. Jake had been looking forward to his Christmas ³ _____ all year long!

On Christmas Eve, Jake somehow managed to track a small amount of ⁴ _____ from his ⁵ _____ onto the new carpet in the orphanage. He didn't even notice it had happened. But it was too late and there was nothing he could do to avoid punishment. The punishment was swift and grim. Jake would not be allowed his Christmas ⁶ _____! It was the only gift he would have received from the harsh world he lived in. Now, after a year of waiting, it would be denied him.

Tearfully Jake pleaded that he be forgiven, but to no avail. He felt hopeless and totally rejected. Jake cried into his ⁷ _____ all that night and spent Christmas Day feeling empty and alone. He felt that the other children didn't want to be with a boy who had received such a cruel punishment. Perhaps they feared he would ruin their only day of happiness. Maybe, he reasoned, the gulf between him and his friends existed because they feared he would ask for a little of their ⁸ _____. Jake spent the day upstairs, alone, in the unheated ⁹ _____. Huddled under his only blanket, he read about a ¹⁰ _____ marooned on an ¹¹ _____. Jake wouldn't mind spending the rest of his life on an isolated island, if he could only have a real ¹² _____ that cared about him.

Bedtime came but Jake couldn't sleep. How could he say his prayers? How could there be a God in Heaven that would allow a little soul such as he, to suffer so much all by himself? Silently he sobbed as he prayed for the future of mankind, that God might end the suffering in the world, both for himself and all others like him.

As Jake climbed back into bed from the cold, hard floor, a soft hand touched his shoulder, startling him momentarily. He was surprised when an object was silently placed in his ¹³ _____. The giver disappeared into the darkness, leaving Jake with what, he did not immediately know!

Looking closely at the object in his ¹⁴ _____ in the dim light, he saw what looked like an ¹⁵ _____! Not a regular ¹⁶ _____, smooth and shiny, but a very special ¹⁷ _____. Inside a patched together peel were segments of nine other ¹⁸ _____. Together they made one whole ¹⁹ _____ for Jake! The nine other children in the orphanage had each donated one segment of their own precious ²⁰ _____ to make a whole ²¹ _____ for Jake.

