wishes you a very Merry Christmas

and a Happy, Healthy and Successful New Year!

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Answers

Good luck with our Big Christmas Quiz

We hope you enjoy it!

- 1 What did my true love give to me on the eighth day of Christmas?
- 2 What date is St. Stephen's Day?

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- 3 What colour are the berries of the mistletoe plant?
- 4 In a normal year (not a leap year), if 1st January is Day 1, what day is 25th December?
- 5 What is New Year's Eve called in Scotland?
- 6 If you were born on Christmas Day, what is your star sign?
- 7 In Dickens' novel *A Christmas Carol*, who was Scrooge's deceased business partner?
- 8 What Christmas item was invented by London baker and wedding-cake specialist Tom Smith in 1847?
- 9 Which country did St. Nicholas come from?
- 10 In what body of water is Christmas Island?
- 11 In which film did the main male adult character live off the proceeds of his Christmas jingle?
- 12 In 2011, from what was the St Pancras Station Christmas tree made?
- 13 What will you find in the middle of Stollen?
- 14 From which fruit do you traditionally make a Christingle?
- 15 What did Frosty the Snowman have for a nose?
- 16 What drink were the children served on The Polar Express?
- 17 In which language does 'Nadolig Llawen' mean 'Merry Christmas'?
- 18 Under normal conditions, what is the freezing point of water in Fahrenheit?
- 19 Where does Good King Wenceslas come from?
- 20 In The Simpsons, who or what is Santa's Little Helper?
- 21 In George Orwell's book Animal Farm, what animal is named Snowball?
- 22 What is the name given to cocktail sausages wrapped in bacon?
- 23 How many gifts in total did my true love give to me?
- 24 What was Macaulay Culkin's character's name in Home Alone?
- 25 Where was it 'always winter but never Christmas'?
- 26 Who starred as Ebenezer Scrooge in The Muppet Christmas Carol?
- 27 And who played Tiny Tim?
- 28 What does NORAD (North American Aerospace Defence Command) do each Christmas Eve, and has been doing so for the last 65 years?
- 29 When the poor man came in sight, what was he gathering?
- 30 If Santa delivers to every child at 2am, what time would it be in London when he delivers to children in South Africa?

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31 Which member of Eurythmics was born on 25th December 1954?

32 Which king was crowned on Christmas Day 1066?

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- 33 What is traditionally hidden in a Christmas pudding?
- 34 One of our best-known Winter Olympians, what was Eddie the Eagle's real name?
- 35 Of all the trees that are in the wood, which one bears the crown?
- 36 According to the Christmas film, *It's a Wonderful Life*, how do we know when an angel gets his wings?
- 37 Royal Mail's special Christmas stamps were released on 3 November but what special stamps were released on 1 October?
- 38 The villagers of Aughton, Lancashire set a new world record in 1992. What was it for?
- 39 Brussels sprouts are good for you! They provide high values of two vitamins in particular. Which ones?
- 40 In 2016, Buster made an appearance in a well-known store's Christmas advertisement. Who, or what, was Buster?
- 41 In which year did the iconic Coca-Cola Christmas trucks first appear on our TV screens?
- 42 What would be the point score in Scrabble, if we could actually lay the words 'We wish you a Merry Christmas' down on a board?
- 43 What ingredients do you need to make a Snowball cocktail?
- 44 What is the poem A Visit from St. Nicholas better know as?
- 45 What are lebkuchen?
- 46 Which monarch made the first Christmas wireless broadcast in 1932?
- 47 Who is said to have written this first wireless broadcast speech?
- 48 How many Christmas Day speeches has Queen Elizabeth made, not including 2020's?
- 49 To which country is the poinsettia native?
- 50 In which year did Norway start donating the Trafalgar Square Christmas tree to the people of the United Kingdom?
- 51 Which English mathematician and physicist was born on Christmas Day 1642?
- 52 Humphrey Bogart was also born on Christmas Day. Who sang "We had it all, just like Bogie and Bacall"?
- 53 Who created The Grinch?
- 54 Who links The Grinch and Frankenstein's monster?
- 55 Who sang All I want for Christmas is You?
- 56 In the film The Polar Express, what is the first gift of Christmas?
- 57 Who played Vince Noir in The Mighty Boosh?
- 58 Who is the female singer of Fairytale in New York?
- 59 In which European country do they eat twelve grapes on New Year's Eve, one on each bell strike of midnight?
- 60 In which gospel would you find details of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem?















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- 61 How many windows are there on a traditional Advent calendar?
- 62 In which pantomime would Widow Twankey appear?
- 63 Which star of silent films died on Christmas Day, 1977?
- 64 What song was the surprise No.1 on Christmas Day 2019?
- 65 To which charity did all the proceeds from this No. 1 hit go?
- 66 How long do both Leona Lewis and Kermit the Frog have to wait until Christmas?
- 67 With what did Eric cut the grapefruit in half in the 1976 Morecambe & Wise Show Christmas Special?
- 68 Jack Skellington appears in which Christmas film?
- 69 In the poem '*Twas the Night Before Christmas*, which reindeer is named first?
- 70 What three things must you never do to a gremlin?
- 71 How many points do snowflakes have?
- 72 What is chionophobia?

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- 73 Who is narrating the animated film *Zog and the Flying Doctors* on Christmas Day on BBC?
- 74 What are the two flying doctors' names?
- 75 Where would you go 'first footing' on New Year's Eve?
- 76 How many times did Shakespeare mention Christmas in his plays?
- 77 With what does Daddy Pig decorate Peppa's Christmas jumper in *Peppa's Christmas Jumper Day*?
- 78 The first Christmas Day football fixture was in 1889 but when was the last?
- 79 In the song, *Santa Claus is Coming to Town*, how many times does Santa check his list?
- 80 What is the best-selling Christmas song of all time?
- 81 Who plays the title role in the 2003 film, Elf?
- 82 What was special about the marmalade sandwiches Santa gave to Paddington Bear?
- 83 Who is the 'baddie' in the ballet, The Nutcracker?
- 84 What is Santa's 'real' name in the classic 1947 film, Miracle on 34th Street?

And, to finish with, a very short cryptic quiz for those of you who know us! (or visit the website for clues!)

- 85 Which member of staff is still in mint condition?
- 86 Which member of Murray Birrell's staff is too good to be true?
- 87 What is Mr Birrell's royal connection?
- 88 Michelangelo's masterpiece in human form!
- 89 What might Peter do through treacle?
- 90 Sam is outstanding in this.



