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**Christmas Quiz 2002**

**Question Paper**

Questions		Circle legibly the number in the column on the right with your answer	
1.	The first instrument on which the carol <i>Silent Night</i> was played was:	A harp A church organ A trumpet A guitar	1 2 3 4
2.	In 1647 parliament passed a law that:	Recognised Christmas as a secular as well as a religious official holiday Freed prisoners to spend Christmas Day at home Made Christmas illegal Forbade work of any kind on Christmas day	1 2 3 4
3.	In Greek legend, malicious creatures called Kallikantzaroi sometimes play troublesome pranks at Christmas time. To get rid of them, you should:	Placate them with gifts of spiced rice pudding Burn either salt or an old shoe Invite the local priest to sprinkle Ouzo around the outside doorways whilst at the same time he chants blessings and prayers in a loud voice Nail a cross on the front door	1 2 3 4
4.	The name of Scrooge's deceased business partner in Charles Dickens' <i>A Christmas Carol</i> is:	Bob Cratchit Silas Marner Bill Sykes Jacob Marley	1 2 3 4
5.	Which name does <b>not</b> belong to one of Santa's reindeer?	Comet Prancer Blitzen Klaxon	1 2 3 4
6.	Which of the following was <b>not</b> one of the Three Kings?	Caspar Balthazar Teleost Melchior	1 2 3 4
7.	In Armenia, the traditional Christmas Eve meal consists of:	A spiced pie made of Camel meat Fried fish, lettuce and spinach Boiled partridges with gooseberry sauce Turkey and pancakes	1 2 3 4
8.	Boxing Day, 26th December, is also the holy day of which saint?	St. Eustace of Smyrna St. Agnes of Cornwall St. Nicholas of Flanders St. Stephen of Hungary	1 2 3 4
9.	A boar's head is a traditional Christmas dish. According to a popular story, the unlucky boar whose head began the custom in mediaeval times was killed by:	Choking to death on a book of Greek philosophy King John, who speared it whilst out hunting Being hit by a falling branch from a tree Remorse, after goring St. Nicholas	1 2 3 4
10.	When distributing gifts in Holland, St. Nicholas is accompanied by:	Lucia, his wife Black Peter, his servant Twelve virgins St. Stephen of Hungary	1 2 3 4

11	"Little Jack Horner" in the nursery rhyme may refer to the man who was chief steward to the Abbot of Glastonbury in the early sixteenth century. If so, then the "plum" he pulled from his Christmas pie was actually:	A gem — a gift from the abbot for faithful service Six golden guineas An order banishing him from England A deed to a manor in Glastonbury	1 2 3 4
12	It wasn't until Victorian times that turkeys became popular birds for Christmas dinners. Then most turkeys were raised in Norfolk, and taken to market in London. To get them fresh to London, the turkeys were:	Encouraged to fly part of the journey by highly-trained and very skilful "turkey drovers" Conveyed in large railway wagons called "turkey-vans" Herded by sheep dogs Supplied with boots made of sacking or leather	1 2 3 4
13	Christmas is celebrated even at wizard school. On his first Christmas morning at <i>Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry</i> , Harry Potter receives a number of Christmas gifts, including:	A pair of gloves and a pointed hat A hairbrush and a wand of lightning A hand-knitted sweater and a cloak of invisibility A pet frog and a magic broomstick	1 2 3 4
14	Which Group / Band were announced last Sunday as the Christmas No.1?	The Cheeky Girls Cliff Richard Girls Aloud One True Voice	1 2 3 4
15	The custom of hanging out stockings or setting out shoes in the hope of receiving Christmas gifts is said to have begun with:	A promotional campaign by the Cobblers' Guild The traveller's practice of concealing valuable papers in one's stocking St. Nicholas supplying the gold for a dowry A method of avoiding a Christmas tax	1 2 3 4
16	After Scrooge has reformed his life at the end of Charles Dickens' <i>A Christmas Carol</i> , he proposes getting together with Bob Cratchit for some "Smoking Bishop", which was:	A fast variation of chess popular in Victorian London A premium pipe tobacco A hot spiced drink A Christmas pudding, soaked in brandy and set alight	1 2 3 4
17	The real St. Nicholas lived:	In Belgium In Holland In Turkey At the North Pole	1 2 3 4
18	Which is <b>not</b> an Osbourne?:	Sharon Ozzy Ziggy Jack	1 2 3 4
19	Who sings the theme song of the latest James Bond film " <i>Die Another Day</i> "?	Robbie Williams Shirley Bassey Celine Dion Madonna	1 2 3 4
20	We all know English children put stockings out at Christmas time. In Holland Dutch children put out:	Old hats Beer mugs Shoes Stockings, just like everybody else!	1 2 3 4