

Your Name.....

Christmas Quiz 2003

Question Paper

Questions		Circle legibly the number in the column on the right with your answer	
1.	If your geographical position was 0° latitude, 0° longitude, where in the world would you be?	At the Greenwich Observatory In the Atlantic Ocean In Ghana, West Africa In the Indian Ocean	1 2 3 4
2.	The four Marx brothers, Chico, Groucho, Harpo and Zeppo, made a legendary series of movie comedies from 1929 to 1950. What was Groucho's real first name?	Arthur Herbert Julius Leonard	1 2 3 4
3.	Where in the world are these towns or cities? Ahome, Rosario, Progreso, Sabinas?	Philippines Mexico Portugal Spain	1 2 3 4
4.	Alekhine, Capablanca and Tal are?	Past world chess champions Resort towns on the Black Sea Brands of Russian chewing gum Spanish nature poets, known as "The Triumvirate"	1 2 3 4
5.	The Roman general Publius Quinctilius Varus (d. 9 AD) served during the reign of the emperor Augustus Caesar. His main claim to fame was?	Established the first Roman settlement in Britain Imposing order upon the quarrelsome tribes of Gaul Suffering a catastrophic defeat in the forests of Germany Marching against Rome in an attempted revolt	1 2 3 4
6.	Stanley Pons and Martin Fleischman achieved "fifteen minutes of fame" in 1989 for?	A political scandal A military fiasco A business failure A scientific error	1 2 3 4
7.	Every country in the world has been assigned a two-letter Internet domain name such as ".uk" for the United Kingdom and ".ch" for Switzerland. Which lucky country has the domain name ".tv"?	Liechtenstein Terra Verde The Vatican Tuvalu	1 2 3 4
8.	Alexandre Dumas wrote a well known story " <i>La Dame aux Camélias</i> " about a woman dying of consumption. It was later turned into a famous opera, <i>La Traviata</i> . Who composed <i>La Traviata</i> ?	Charles Gounod Hector Berlioz Giuseppe Verdi Jacques Offenbach	1 2 3 4
9.	Each year, southern France is buffeted by a strong wind called the mistral. The mistral is?	A cold wind from the north A hot wind from the south A dry wind from the east A moist wind from the west	1 2 3 4
10.	To which Surrey town did Charterhouse move in 1872?	Farnham Guildford Godalming Hindhead	1 2 3 4

11	From which musical does the song " <i>You'll never walk alone</i> " come from?	My Fair Lady Oklahoma Carousel Brigadoon	1 2 3 4
12	At the outbreak of World War I, who was the Prime Minister?	Herbert Asquith David Lloyd-George Stanley Baldwin Ramsay MacDonald	1 2 3 4
13	When did the First World War end?	1 st November 1918 11 th November 1918 1 st January 1919 28 th June 1919	1 2 3 4
14	The first man-made object to move faster than the speed of sound, or break the sound barrier was?	A cannon ball A bullet An airplane A whip	1 2 3 4
15	What is special about <i>Sirius</i> , the Dog Star?	It's gravity was first measured by Isaac Newton It is the brightest star in the sky It always lies directly above the North Pole It emits intense radiation at radio frequencies that when heard through a radio telescope receiver has been likened to a dog barking.	1 2 3 4
16	The main defensive weapon of the dinosaur called Iguanodon was probably?	Its teeth Its horns Its tail Its thumbs	1 2 3 4
17	Who composed the opera <i>The Pearl Fishers</i> ?	Giacomo Puccini Hector Berlioz Georges Bizet Jules Massenet	1 2 3 4
18	Dyce airport serves which city?	Aberdeen Edinburgh Glasgow Inverness	1 2 3 4
19	How many pieces are there in a standard set of dominoes?	24 28 30 32	1 2 3 4
20	Who first said or wrote: ' <i>There are three kinds of lies — Lies, damned lies, and statistics?</i> '	Charles Dickens Winston Churchill Stafford Cripps Mark Twain	1 2 3 4