Teacher’s Notes

Doing the Christmas Quiz in an online classroom

You can, of course, simply share the quiz sheet on screen, and allow students time to note down their answers before checking answers in class.

But doing the quiz as described below is more fun and has more of the character of a 'Christmas pub quiz'!

Here’s what to do:

1. Tell your students they need a piece of paper and a pen or pencil.
2. If you want students to answer in pairs, allocate pairs, and tell students that from now on they should use the chat function to communicate with their partner only. (This is usually possible by choosing their partner’s name in the drop down menu in the chat.) Alternatively students could send each other messages via their smartphones.
3. Tell them to switch off their microphones! (This means students can’t call out the answers during the quiz!)
4. Ask the questions: Read out each question and the four possible answers twice only.
5. Allow students time to decide which answer or answers are correct and write down the appropriate letter(s). If working in pairs, pairs ‘discuss’ which answer to choose in the chat/by smartphone, and agree on an answer.
6. After you have asked all 14 questions, offer to repeat one/two/three questions only. Students type the number of the question(s) they would like to have repeated into the chat. Repeat the most-requested question(s).
7. Check the answers: Tell the students to switch on their microphones again. Display the question sheet. Ask different students in turn to read a question + answers and give answers.
8. Award one point for each correct answer.

The student or pair with the most points at the end is the winner.

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Total: 28 pts

Doing the Christmas Quiz in the classroom

You can, of course, have students do the quiz individually, or you could hand out the quiz sheet and have students do the quiz alone, in pairs or in teams and then check answers in class.

But doing the quiz as a team in class is more fun and has more of the character of a 'Christmas pub quiz'!

Here’s what to do:

1. Divide your class into teams.
2. Give each team a blank piece of paper (their Answer paper).
3. Each team decides on a team name and writes it on their Answer paper. (see 9. below)
4. Ask the questions: Read out each question and the four possible answers twice only.
5. The team members discuss which answer or answers are correct and write down the appropriate letter(s).
6. After you have asked all 14 questions, allow each team to request one question to be repeated. Repeat the questions requested.
7. Check the answers: Tell the teams to swap their Answer papers with another team, or each team can check their own Answer paper.
8. Read out the questions again and take turns to ask each team to give the answer(s).
9. Award one point for each correct answer.

You could award a bonus point for the most original team name! The team with the most points at the end is the winner.

You could offer a prize, e.g. some chocolates, to the winning team, if you want!
**Christmas Quiz**

by Dagmar Taylor

What do you know about Christmas traditions in the UK? More than one answer may be correct!

1. When do people in Britain usually put their Christmas trees up?
   - a ______ on Christmas Eve
   - b ______ after Halloween
   - c ______ on Christmas Day
   - d ______ from the beginning of December

2. What do people in Britain traditionally decorate Christmas trees with?
   - a ______ fairy lights
   - b ______ apples
   - c ______ glass balls
   - d ______ candles

3. What do many adults do on Christmas Eve in the evening?
   - a ______ have a family party
   - b ______ open their presents
   - c ______ go to the pub with friends
   - d ______ have a big dinner

4. What are Christmas stockings?
   - a ______ something Mother Christmas wears
   - b ______ socks with snowmen on them
   - c ______ socks that are hung up over the fireplace
   - d ______ socks where presents are left for children

5. When does Father Christmas come?
   - a ______ on 6th December
   - b ______ on 6th January
   - c ______ in the night of the 24th December
   - d ______ in the night of the 25th December

6. How does Father Christmas get into the house?
   - a ______ through the window
   - b ______ through the front door
   - c ______ down the chimney
   - d ______ by ringing the doorbell

7. What do people in the UK traditionally eat for Christmas dinner?
   - a ______ chicken
   - b ______ turkey
   - c ______ goose
   - d ______ fish

8. What is there in a Christmas pudding?
   - a ______ a lot of brandy
   - b ______ a coin (e.g. a £1 coin)
   - c ______ a lot of fruit
   - d ______ small pieces of chocolate

9. What is the day after Christmas Day called?
   - a ______ the 2nd Day of Christmas
   - b ______ Boxing Day
   - c ______ Christmas Holiday
   - d ______ Post-Christmas Day

10. What is in a Christmas cracker??
    - a ______ a paper hat
    - b ______ a joke
    - c ______ a small gift
    - d ______ money

11. What do people do under the mistletoe?
    - a ______ sing Christmas carols
    - b ______ kiss
    - c ______ shake hands
    - d ______ make a wish

12. What do people say to each other at Christmas and New Year?
    - a ______ Happy Christmas!
    - b ______ Merry Christmas!
    - c ______ Happy New Year!
    - d ______ Merry New Year!

13. What is Hogmanay?
    - a ______ a big party
    - b ______ a traditional Scottish dish
    - c ______ the last day of the year in Scotland
    - d ______ Gaelic for New Morning (oge maidne)

14. What do Scottish people do at and after midnight on New Year’s Eve?
    - a ______ gather in town squares
    - b ______ kiss complete strangers
    - c ______ enjoy a small alcoholic drink (a ‘wee dram’)
    - d ______ take lumps of coal to their neighbours