

Christmas Decoration Trivia Quiz Answer Key

1. What Christmas decoration was originally made from strands of silver?

- a. Baubel **b. Tinsel** c. Tree Toppers

2. What is the purpose of the Advent calendar during the Christmas season?

- a. To count down the days leading up to Christmas** b. To remember Jesus c. To eat chocolate everyday

3. In one oddball tradition, an ornament shaped like what food item is hidden on the Christmas tree?

- a. A chocolate b. A pumpkin **c. A pickle**

4. According to legend, the tradition of hanging stockings dates back to Saint Nicholas. What were the first stocking stuffers?

- a. Oranges **b. Gold coins** c. Candies

5. Which U.S. city is famous for its Christmastime department store window displays?

- a. Boston b. Chicago **c. New York**

6. What Christmas decoration is actually a parasitic plant?

- a. Mistletoe** b. Poinsettia c. Holly

7. In what country did the tradition of decorating Christmas trees originate?

- a. England b. France **c. Germany**

8. In which European country is it traditional to use red mushrooms (*Amanita muscaria*) in Christmas tree decorations?

- a. Poland b. Norway **c. Germany**

9. In what decade did aluminum Christmas trees become popular in the U.S.?

- a. 1920s b. 1940s **c. 1960s**

10. What is "angel hair" made from in traditional Christmas decor?

- a. Cotton **b. Glass or fiberglass** c. Linen thread

11. What type of tree was the first "official" Christmas tree in the White House?

- a. Spruce **b. Fir** c. Pine

12. In early Christmas traditions, what did people use to decorate trees before electric lights?

- a. Colored feathers b. Glass ornaments **c. Candles**

13. In what city did the mayor personally burn Christmas decorations in the seventeenth century?

- a. Berlin **b. London** c. Paris

14. Which of these was not a traditional Christmas treetop decoration in the nineteenth century?

- a. A flag** b. An angel c. A star

15. Why was tinsel once banned in the United States?

- a. It was too expensive to produce b. It caused Christmas tree fires **c. It was made with lead and considered unsafe**

