



Christmas Decoration Trivia Quiz

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 What Christmas decoration was originally made from strands of silver?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

