

Christmas Trivia

Read each question aloud and let the group call out the answer, or circle A, B or C on your own. The answers are on the last page.

1. In the movie Miracle on 34th Street, Kris Kringle works as Santa at which store?

- A)** Gimbels **B)** Macy's **C)** Sears

2. Which singer made "The Christmas Song" ("Chestnuts roasting on an open fire") a hit?

- A)** Nat King Cole **B)** Perry Como **C)** Dean Martin

3. Which singing cowboy had the first big hit with "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," in 1949?

- A)** Roy Rogers **B)** Gene Autry **C)** Tex Ritter

4. Who wrote How the Grinch Stole Christmas!?

- A)** Dr. Seuss **B)** E. B. White **C)** Charles Schulz

5. In the 1983 movie A Christmas Story, what does Ralphie want most for Christmas?

- A)** A bicycle **B)** A Red Ryder BB gun **C)** A sled

6. Who composed the music for the ballet The Nutcracker?

- A)** Tchaikovsky **B)** Beethoven **C)** Mozart

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7. Since 1947, which country has sent London a Christmas tree for Trafalgar Square each year?

- A)** Norway **B)** Canada **C)** Germany

8. Elvis Presley sang that he'd have a ____ Christmas without you. What color?

- A)** White **B)** Blue **C)** Green

9. "Silver Bells" was first sung in a 1951 movie by which comedian?

- A)** Bob Hope **B)** Danny Kaye **C)** Jack Benny

10. In "The Twelve Days of Christmas," what comes on the fifth day?

- A)** Five gold rings **B)** Five golden geese
C) Five maids a-milking

11. Who sang "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" in 1958, when she was just 13?

- A)** Patsy Cline **B)** Brenda Lee **C)** Connie Francis

12. Christmas became a federal holiday in the United States in what year?

- A)** 1776 **B)** 1870 **C)** 1941

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13. Who wrote "The Gift of the Magi," the story of a young couple's sacrifices?

- A)** Mark Twain **B)** O. Henry **C)** Edgar Allan Poe

14. In It's a Wonderful Life, every time a bell rings, an angel gets his what?

- A)** Halo **B)** Harp **C)** Wings

15. Haddon Sundblom painted a jolly, red-suited Santa for which company's ads, starting in 1931?

- A)** Coca-Cola **B)** Sears **C)** Kellogg's

ANSWERS

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1. B) Macy's
2. A) Nat King Cole
3. B) Gene Autry
4. A) Dr. Seuss
5. B) A Red Ryder BB gun
6. A) Tchaikovsky
7. A) Norway
8. B) Blue
9. A) Bob Hope
10. A) Five gold rings
11. B) Brenda Lee
12. B) 1870
13. B) O. Henry
14. C) Wings
15. A) Coca-Cola

Every answer was checked against published sources before printing.

CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG GAME

Finish the Carol

Read the first line of each Christmas carol aloud and let the group sing or say the rest. Every carol here is more than 100 years old.

1. **O little town of Bethlehem,** _____
2. **Hark! the herald angels sing,** _____
3. **We wish you a merry Christmas** _____
4. **God rest ye merry, gentlemen,** _____
5. **Away in a manger,** _____
6. **Here we come a-wassailing** _____
7. **It came upon the midnight clear,** _____
8. **The first Noel the angel did say** _____
9. **Good King Wenceslas looked out** _____
10. **Go tell it on the mountain,** _____
11. **Angels we have heard on high,** _____
12. **I saw three ships come sailing in** _____

ANSWERS

Finish the Carol

1. O little town of Bethlehem, **how still we see thee lie!**
2. Hark! the herald angels sing, **glory to the newborn King!**
3. We wish you a merry Christmas **and a happy New Year!**
4. God rest ye merry, gentlemen, **let nothing you dismay.**
5. Away in a manger, **no crib for a bed.**
6. Here we come a-wassailing **among the leaves so green.**
7. It came upon the midnight clear, **that glorious song of old.**
8. The first Noel the angel did say **was to certain poor shepherds.**
9. Good King Wenceslas looked out **on the feast of Stephen.**
10. Go tell it on the mountain, **over the hills and everywhere.**
11. Angels we have heard on high, **sweetly singing o'er the plains.**
12. I saw three ships come sailing in **on Christmas Day in the morning.**

Words as commonly sung; older hymnals vary a little. All of these carols are in the public domain.