

U3a Christmas - 2020

Questions	Answers
1 In which modern-day country was St. Nicholas born in?	Turkey
2 True or false. Mariah Carey's 1994 release "All I Want For Christmas Is You" has never made it to number one in the UK charts.	False – It made it to number one for the first time this year
3 What day of the year is Christmas Day in 2020? For example is it the 20th day of the year, or maybe the 105th.	360th day
4 What did you true love give to you on the 7th day of Christmas?	7 swans a-swimming, 6 geese a-laying, 5 golden rings, 4 calling birds, 3 french hens, 2 turtle doves and a partridge in a pear tree.
5 What indispensable item for the Christmas table did Tom Smith, a confectioner, invent?	The Christmas cracker
6 What is "roasting on an open fire" in the famous Christmas song?	Chestnuts
7 Which ocean can Christmas Island be found in?	Indian Ocean
8 Which country sends the most letters to Santa?	France
9 What is your star sign if you are born on Christmas Day?	Capricorn
10 Which animated film features Aled Jones' version of Walking in the Air?	The Snowman
11 Who was crowned King of England on Christmas Day in 1066?	William the Conqueror (William I)
12 Which Christmas carol tells the story of a duke of Bohemia (now modern-day Czech Republic)?	Good King Wenceslas
13 Which classic sitcom is returning for a series of Christmas specials in 2020?	The Vicar of Dibley
14 Which tin of chocolates often found at Christmas features 'the purple one'?	Quality Street
15 Who the the Elf in the film "Elf"?	Will Ferrell
16 Which plant based Christmas tradition was started by servants in Victorian Britain?	Kissing under mistletoe

17	In what year was the film “Love Actually” released?	2003
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18	Which creature replaces turkey on the Christmas menu in Hungary?	Carp
19	What is the biggest-selling Christmas single of all time?	White Christmas by Bing Crosby
20	What food and drink is traditionally left out for Santa on Christmas Eve?	Mince pie and sherry
21	What name is given to small sausages wrapped bacon?	Pigs in blankets
22	Which country annually sends a Christmas tree to be erected in London’s Trafalgar Square?	Norway
23	The red and white costume of Father Christmas was allegedly first introduced by which company?	Coca-Cola
24	What happens to Del Boy and Rodney in the 1996 Only Fools and Horses Christmas special?	They become millionaires
25	Which ruler allegedly banned mince pies in Britain in the 1600s?	Oliver Cromwell
26	Traditionally, which way should mincemeat only be stirred to bring good luck?	Clockwise
27	What country is Lapland, Father Christmas’, home located in?	Finland
28	What happened in the 1914 Christmas Day truce during the First World War?	A game of football between British and German soldiers
29	Which Christmas carol features these lyrics: “The stars in the sky, Look down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus Asleep on the hay”?	Away in a Manager
30	I will now show you how Merry of Happy Christmas is written in 10 different languages. You just have to tell me what the language is.	
	To help you I have listed 16 possible languages.	

Question 30

The following are Happy or Merry Christmas in ten different languages. What languages are they?

(Half a point for each correct pairing)

1	<u>Buon Natale</u>		Italian
2	<u>Seng Dan Fai Lok (聖誕快樂)</u>		Cantonese
3	<u>Nizhonigo Keshmish</u>		Navajo
5	<u>Nadolig Llawen</u>		Welsh
6	<u>Καλά Χριστούγεννα</u>		Greek
7	<u>Nollaig Shona Dhuit</u>		Irish (Gaelic)
8	<u>Bellas festas dea Nadal</u>		Romansh
9	<u>Joyeux Noël</u>		French
10	<u>Nadelik Lowen</u>		Cornish
Languages used:			
	French	Cornish	Icelandic
	Italian	Navajo	Romansh
	Cantonese	Urdu	Japanese
	Greek	Finnish	French
			Spanish
			Welsh
			Korean
			Irish (Gaelic)