

# Strickland's Christmas Quiz

1. When was Christmas first celebrated?
  - a) The year after Jesus was crucified
  - b) Around 100 AD
  - c) In the 4th Century
  - d) 1935
2. Jesus was probably born during what season?
  - a) Spring
  - b) Summer
  - c) Fall
  - d) Winter
3. Why was December 25th chosen as Christmas Day?
  - a) That's when Jesus was born
  - b) To compete with a pagan celebration
  - c) That's when Christmas trees are in season
  - d) That's when the Bible says to celebrate it
4. How did the tradition of kissing under the mistletoe develop?
  - a) Eating it makes your mouth pucker
  - b) It was associated with the Scandinavian love goddess
  - c) The Druids used it in marriage ceremonies
  - d) It was used to make love potion in ancient times
5. What significance is holly in celebrating Christmas?
  - a) The pointed leaves represent the Star of Bethlehem
  - b) It was mistaken for mistletoe
  - c) The red berries are a Christmas color
  - d) The early church banned mistletoe, so holly was substituted
6. What country did poinsettias originally come from?
  - a) The U.S.
  - b) Cuba
  - c) Mexico
  - d) Brazil
7. Who probably was the first man to illuminate a Christmas tree with candles?
  - a) Alexander the Great
  - b) Pope John I
  - c) Martin Luther
  - d) Pope Bob II
8. How did Xmas originate as an abbreviation for Christmas?
  - a) Atheists refused to accept "Christ" as part of the word
  - b) The early popes were lazy so they tended to shorten everything
  - c) The Greek word for Christ is Xristos
  - d) From Latin terminology for any holy day
9. St. Nicholas was born in what country?
  - a) The North Pole
  - b) Holland
  - c) Germany
  - d) Turkey
10. Clement C. Moore's famous poem, "The Night Before Christmas" was originally titled ...
  - a) "A Visit from St. Nick"
  - b) "Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer"
  - c) "A Night to Remember"
  - d) "St. Nick and His Reindeer"

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## Answers

1. c
2. a
3. b
4. b
5. d
6. c
7. c
8. c
9. d
10. a