How to run Christmas trivia

Three ways to play, depending on who's at the table.

Teams

Split into teams of two to six, mixing ages. Give each team an answer sheet. The host reads ten questions a round, teams write their answers, then swap sheets to mark. Three rounds, one per level, takes about 40 minutes.

Mixed-age family

Ask each player a question at their own level: kids questions to the kids, hard ones to the grown-ups. A right answer is a point, and nobody gets stuck with a question they have no chance at.

Car or dinner table

No paper needed: read from the host sheet and let anyone shout an answer. First right answer earns a point.

Scoring

One point per right answer. In the hard round, give half a point for a close answer ("1860s" for 1870). The host's ruling is final.