# Christmas Trivia: Family level

Host sheet: questions with answers. For ages 9 and up, and the grown-ups. Traditions, carols and Christmas around the world.

1. In which country did the tradition of decorating a Christmas tree indoors begin?
   Answer: Germany
2. Which carol counts up to a partridge in a pear tree?
   Answer: The Twelve Days of Christmas
3. In that carol, what is given on the fifth day?
   Answer: Five gold rings
4. The poem that begins "'Twas the night before Christmas" was published in 1823. What is its real title?
   Answer: A Visit from St. Nicholas
5. How many reindeer are named in that 1823 poem?
   Answer: Eight
6. True or false: female reindeer grow antlers too.
   Answer: True. Reindeer are the only deer where both males and females usually grow antlers
7. Which red-leaved Christmas plant comes from Mexico?
   Answer: The poinsettia
8. The red parts of a poinsettia look like petals. What are they really?
   Answer: Leaves (called bracts)
9. What date is Boxing Day?
   Answer: December 26
10. "Feliz Navidad" means Merry Christmas in which language?
    Answer: Spanish
11. "Joyeux Noël" means Merry Christmas in which language?
    Answer: French
12. How do you say Merry Christmas in German?
    Answer: Frohe Weihnachten
13. What three gifts did the wise men bring, in the Christmas story?
    Answer: Gold, frankincense and myrrh
14. Which US state has a town called North Pole?
    Answer: Alaska
15. What season is it at Christmas in Australia?
    Answer: Summer
16. What is the four-week season leading up to Christmas called?
    Answer: Advent