

## Quiz 26 - NEW YEARS EVE QUIZ

1. What name do the Scots give to New Year's Eve?
2. What name is given to the Jewish New Year?
3. The Caribbean island of Haiti gained independence from which country on 1st January 1803?
4. Which American President issued the Emancipation Proclamation on New Year's Day 1863?
5. Which two European countries declared their independence on Jan 1st, 1993?
6. On New Year's Day 1975, John Mitchell, H.R. Halderman, and John Ehrlichman were convicted of obstruction of justice in the enquiry into which scandal?
7. Portuguese navigators discovered 'The river of January' on Jan 1st, 1502. What is 'The river of January'?
8. The traditional New Year Ball Drop takes place at which New York City landmark?
9. The US Congress prohibited the importation of what into the USA on Jan 1st, 1808?
10. Which man led the Vietnamese offensive against French troops in Indo China, starting Jan 1st, 1950?
11. Which fictitious 1972 maritime film and mega box office success showed what happened En route from New York City to Greece on New Year's Eve.
12. The European Economic Community (EEC) was first established on Jan 1st of which year? plus or minus 1 year.
13. What traditional fruit cake is often given out at Hogmanay?
14. Traditionally, what do people in Portugal eat when the clock strikes 12 on New Years Eve?
  - a. 12 grapes
  - b. 12 sardines
  - c. 12 oysters
  - d. 12 almonds
15. A BOAC turboprop Bristol Britannia flew from London to New York in record time on Jan 1st, 1958. Plus or minus 1 hour, what was the record time?
16. What is the first country to celebrate New Year's Eve each year?
17. Who first recognized January 1st as the beginning of the New Year?
  - (a) The Egyptians.
  - (b) The Romans
  - (c) The Greeks
18. What is known as the Lunar New Year or the Spring Festival?
19. Which poet wrote Auld Lang Syne?
20. What type of pudding is mentioned in the famous carol; "We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year".