

Christmas Day Supplementary Quiz Questions

Merry Christmas to all of you who read at NER.

If you have an idle moment or two you may care to try to answer some, or all, of my quiz questions. As usual, all the answers have something to do with Christmas. The answers to the ten questions I ask below all have something in particular to do with today.

You can find the first twenty-one questions in this quiz [here at NER](#) and the five questions posted on the last Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve, [also here at NER](#).

(1) According to his friend William Stukeley, this person "...went into the garden, & drank thea under the shade of some appletrees...". Who was he and when was he born?

(2) "This is the Record of John" is not about the compiler of this quiz, but is an Advent text from St. John's Gospel set for solo countertenor, or tenor, alternating with a full chorus. Who set it to music and when was he baptised?

(3) Count Giovanni Angelo Braschi ruled from 15th of February in AD1775 to his death on the 29th of August in AD1799. What did he rule, by what name and regnal number is he better known and, most importantly, when was he born?

(4) Johann Georg Palitzsch saw something first. What did he see and when did he see it?

(5) This AD1953 Christmas song was written by Joan Javits (the niece of Senator Jacob K. Javits) and Philip Springer and

the singer most associated with it originally recorded it with Henri René and his orchestra in New York City in the July of that year. What was the song called, who was the singer and when did she die?

(6) In an African war a shell was fired that contained a food item and not gunpowder. What was the war, where was the shell fired, what did it contain and, most importantly, when was it fired?

(7) The Scottish authoress of “The ewe-buchtin’s bonnie” and the well-known “And werena my heart licht I wad dee” is famous for her poetic songs and her ‘Household Book’. What was her name, how is it usually styled and when was she born?

(8) The discoverer of Saturn’s rings released the discoverer of Titan, a moon of Saturn, successfully. What are the discoverers called, what was released and when was it released?

(9) He wrote “Makar’s Dream” and he explored spirituality all through his rebellious life. Who was this Russian and when did he die?

(10) Crème Valaze, that probably included herbs from the Carpathian Mountains, made her name. Who was she and when was she born?

Enjoy!