

The Remote Team Christmas Quiz

Twenty-four questions in four rounds, written for a video call. Nothing needs to be shown on screen, so it survives a bad connection and a screen share that will not start.

4 rounds · 24 questions · about 35 min

ROUND 1 — Quick-fire

One-word answers. Read straight through, no pause, teams write as they go.

1. What is the name of Scrooge's overworked clerk?

(open question)

2. Which bird is given on the first day in The Twelve Days of Christmas?

(open question)

3. In the poem 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, how many reindeer are named?

- ☐ A Six
- ☐ B Eight
- ☐ C Nine
- ☐ D Twelve

4. In Italy, what is Father Christmas called?

(open question)

5. Which spice, sold as curls of bark, goes into mulled wine?

(open question)

6. What is the name of the tall, domed sweet bread eaten in Italy at Christmas?

(open question)

ROUND 2 — Name the film

Read the description, teams name the film. Works on audio alone, which is the point.

7. A boy who has stopped believing boards a train that pulls up outside his house and takes him to the North Pole.

(open question)

8. An off-duty policeman turns up at his wife's office Christmas party in Los Angeles and ends up alone in the building with a team of armed robbers.

(open question)

9. Several loosely linked love stories unfold in London over the five weeks before Christmas.

(open question)

10. A man raised by elves at the North Pole travels to New York to find the father who does not know he exists.

(open question)

11. A boy is left behind when his family flies to Paris, and defends the house against two burglars.

(open question)

12. A cold-hearted businessman is shown his past, his present and his future by three spirits in a single night.

(open question)

ROUND 3 — Christmas elsewhere

Good round for a team spread across more than one country — let people answer about home.

13. In the Netherlands, how does Sinterklaas traditionally arrive?

- ☐ A By steamboat
- ☐ B By sleigh
- ☐ C On horseback over the dunes
- ☐ D By train

14. In Caracas, Venezuela, how did people traditionally travel to early Christmas mass in the days before Christmas?

- ☐ A On roller skates
- ☐ B On horseback
- ☐ C By boat
- ☐ D Barefoot

15. In Ukraine, trees are sometimes decorated with artificial versions of which creature, after a folk tale about a poor family?

- ☐ A Spiders
- ☐ B Doves
- ☐ C Bees
- ☐ D Foxes

16. In Mexico, the nine nights of processions leading up to Christmas are called what?

(open question)

17. In Iceland, children leave a shoe on the windowsill in the thirteen nights before Christmas. Who are they hoping will fill it?

(open question)

18. In Australia, Christmas Day falls in which season?

(open question)

ROUND 4 — Put them in order

Read all three items, teams write them in order. Quicker to work out than to look up.

19. Oldest first: Die Hard, Elf, Home Alone.

(open question)

20. Oldest first: Scrooged, It's a Wonderful Life, The Polar Express.

(open question)

21. Earliest in December first: Boxing Day, St Nicholas Day, Christmas Eve.

(open question)

22. Oldest tradition first: Christmas Jumper Day, the first commercial Christmas card, the Norwegian tree in Trafalgar Square.

(open question)

23. Oldest first: White Christmas is recorded, Silent Night is written, A Christmas Carol is published.

(open question)

24. Smallest number first: the ghosts who visit Scrooge, the reindeer named in 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, the days in the Twelve Days of Christmas.

(open question)
