



Victorian Christmas Quiz In the Classroom and the Home

1. In what year did the Little Stone Schoolhouse open in Saskatoon?

- a. 1887
- b. 1911
- c. 1989
- d. 1852

2. How did children travel to school in the winter?

3. What is in wassail punch? Name 3 ingredients.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

4. Which of the following fragrant food items were NOT used as Victorian Christmas decorations?

- a. Fish
- b. Cinnamon
- c. Orange slices
- d. Cake

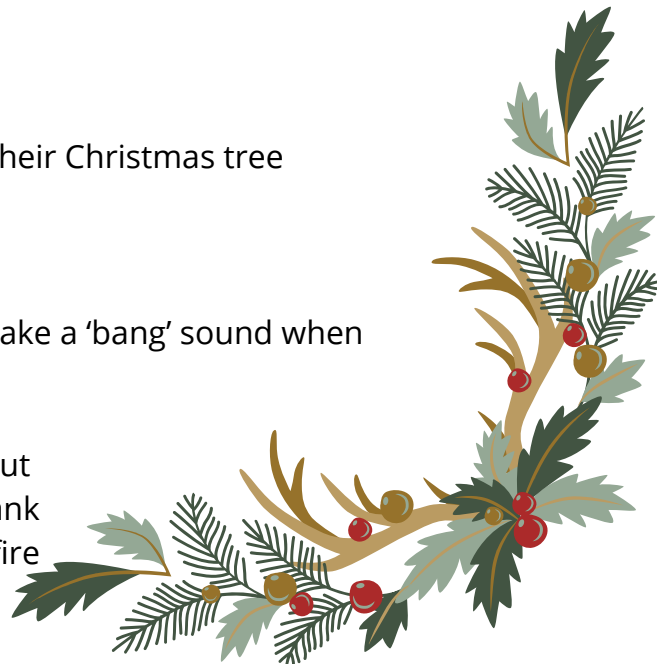
5. Why were green peas dipped in melted red wax?

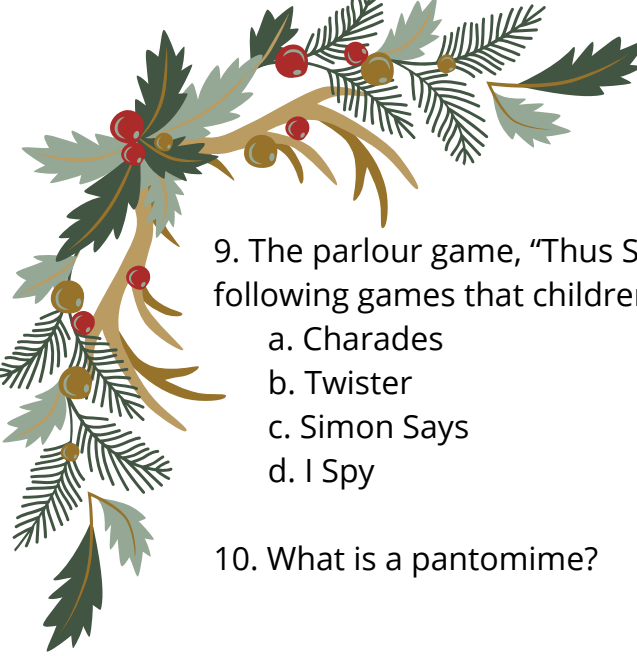
6. Which culture/country introduced the Christmas tree tradition to England and Canada during the Victorian era?

7. What dangerous item did Victorians place on their Christmas tree branches?

8. Why were Christmas crackers designed to make a 'bang' sound when they were opened?

- a. They sounded like a gun salute
- b. They warned kids when the candy spilled out
- c. They were meant to scare kids as a fun prank
- d. They sounded like the crackle of logs on a fire





9. The parlour game, "Thus Says the Grand Seignior" is similar to which of the following games that children play today:

- a. Charades
- b. Twister
- c. Simon Says
- d. I Spy

10. What is a pantomime?

11. Turkeys were imported from the United States to other countries, but they were big and clumsy and did not travel well. What did special type of clothing did they have to wear for protection?

- a. Goggles
- b. Boots
- c. Jackets
- d. Scarves

12. What special tradition originated in Belgium and the Netherlands?

13. Name 5 popular candies that were given around Christmas time.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

14. Prior to the Victorian era, gifts were small and limited. Where were they placed before Christmas?

- a. Under the Christmas tree
- b. On the windowsill
- c. Beside Children's pillows
- d. Hung on the Christmas tree branches

15. What is Jacob's ladder?

