



TO ALL YOUNG St. JAMES'S WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT CHRISTMAS?



1. What part of Christ's life does Christmas celebrate?

- His birth
- His death
- His resurrection

2. What does the word Christmas mean?

- A time to have lots of presents
- The 'mass, or service, of Christ'
- A holiday

3. Why do we shorten the word Christmas to Xmas?

- X is the first letter of Christ's name in the Greek alphabet
- It is quicker
- Because it is like a snowflake.

4. Why was December 25th chosen as Christmas Day?

- To compete with a pagan celebration
- That's when the Bible says to celebrate it
- It is when Christmas trees are in season

5. What Season is immediately before the Christmas Season?

- Lent
- Advent
- Epiphany

6. What is the special colour used in churches for Christmas?

- Red
- Purple
- White

7. When was Christmas first celebrated?

- Around 100 AD
- The year after Jesus was crucified
- In the 4th Century

8. When was Jesus born?

- About two thousand years ago
- Last year
- A million years ago

9. Who told Mary she had been chosen to have a special baby?

- God
- An angel
- Joseph

10. Where was Joseph's family from?

- Bethlehem
- Nazareth
- Jerusalem

11. Why did Mary and Joseph have to travel to Bethlehem?

- They were going on their annual holiday
- They had to pay a special tax
- They were going to a special pop concert

12. Where did Mary and Joseph stay?

- At the local Travel Lodge
- In the best 5 star hotel
- In the stable of an inn

13. How did Mary keep baby Jesus warm?

- She covered Him with an electric blanket
- She wrapped Him in strips of cloth
- She put a lamb next to Him

14. Where did Mary lay baby Jesus?

- In a double bed
- In a pram
- In a manger

15. What is a manger?

- A feeding trough
- A barn
- A stable

16. Who came to visit Baby Jesus?

- Aunty Liz
- Some shepherds
- The doctor

17. How did the shepherds know about Jesus?

- An angel sent by God told them
- They had a phone call
- The wise men told them

18. The custom of having a Christmas tree in the home came from

- Wales
- France
- Germany

19. What is Boxing Day also called?

- St. James's Day
- St. Swithen's Day
- St. Stephen's Day

20. Why is the 26th December called Boxing Day?

- Families are supposed to have boxing matches
- There was an old English custom of giving food and money, Christmas boxes, to the less fortunate members of the parish on this day.
- Everyone puts out their old boxes for the dustbin men to take away

The answers can be found on our website www.stjames-hamptonhill.org on the Young St. James's section Christmas page. There are also lots of other things for you to do here.