



Winter trivia quiz



Work in groups of three or four students in each and choose the right alternatives in each of the questions below. Only one alternative in each question is correct. You get one point for each correct answer. The group with most points in shortest time wins. You can write your score in the box at the bottom of the page.

1. Which melts faster?
 - a) clean, white snow
 - b) dirty snow
 - c) there is no difference
2. Schnee means snow in which language?
 - a) Italian
 - b) Finnish
 - c) German
3. A severe snowstorm with high winds is
 - a) a blizzard
 - b) a blitz
 - c) a tornado
4. What is frostbite?
 - a) low body temperature
 - b) frozen windows
 - c) frozen body tissue
5. How many sides do snowflakes usually have?
 - a) 10
 - b) 6
 - c) 4
6. What is wind chill?
 - a) the cooling effect of wind blowing on a surface
 - b) a warm coat and a hat
 - c) strong wind blowing
7. Where do icicles most often form?
 - a) the west side of buildings
 - b) the north side of buildings
 - c) the south side of buildings
8. How much of fresh snow is composed of air?
 - a) 50 %
 - b) 80 %
 - c) 30 %
9. The world's largest iceberg was found in
 - a) the Arctic
 - b) Antarctica
 - c) Greenland
10. No country in the Southern Hemisphere has hosted or applied for the Winter Olympics.
 - a) True
 - b) False
11. How much of the earth is covered in snow and ice??
 - a) 30 %
 - b) 12 %
 - c) 50 %
12. Some animals turn white in winter.
 - a) True
 - b) False
13. Antarctica is the only continent without
 - a) mountains
 - b) a time zone
 - c) a volcano
14. How much of Antarctica is covered in ice?
 - a) 100 %
 - b) 99 %
 - c) 97 %
15. What is the shortest day of the year?
 - a) New Year's Eve
 - b) the summer solstice
 - c) the winter solstice
16. The first winter Olympics were held in 1924
 - a) in England
 - b) in France
 - c) in Germany
17. How long does it take to grow a Christmas tree?
 - a) 7 years
 - b) 2 years
 - c) 4 years
18. The earth is closest to the sun
 - a) in winter
 - b) in summer
19. What is another word for a *present*?
 - a) a settlement
 - b) a gift
 - c) an introduction
20. The name December comes from Latin and refers to
 - a) first
 - b) tenth
 - c) twelfth