



Easter Quiz

Questions

1. Easter is sometimes on march 22nd and then suddenly on april 25th. How can this be? Who decided / decides when Easter takes place?

- a) The full moon
- b) The pope since the Tridentine Council (16th century)
- c) Martin Luther
- d) The Easter Congregation

2. How much was the most expensive Easter egg ever sold on November 28, 2007?

- a) 300,000 dollars
- b) 20,000 euros
- c) 12.5 million euros
- d) 25,000 dollars

3. According to the Bible, who saw the resurrected Jesus first?

- a) Judas
- b) Mary Magdalene
- c) Peter
- d) The unbelieving Thomas

4. Rabbits and hares have long ears. An incredible 79 cm is the longest wingspan measured in a long-eared rabbit in 2007. Thus giant ear "Nipper's Geronimo" made it into the Guinness Book of Records. To which breed does the record holder belong?

- a) Angora rabbit
- b) Rabbit
- c) English ram rabbit
- d) German Giant



5. There is no Easter bunny in Australia, although it is teeming with rabbits. Which Easter animal brings the eggs there?

- a) The kangaroo
- b) The Bilby
- c) The wombat
- d) The koala

6. What is the official Easter flower?

- a) Iris
- b) Red rose
- c) White lily
- d) Yellow daffodil

7. What is celebrated in Christianity on Maundy Thursday?

- a) The Way of the Cross of Christ
- b) The opening of the tomb
- c) The entry of Jesus into Jerusalem
- d) The Last Supper

8. How can you test how fresh an egg is?

- a) you make a smell test
- b) put it in a bowl of cold water
- c) shake the egg
- d) you press on the shell to see if it gives.

9. In Latvia, every Easter, the traditional Easter swing takes place in the village square in specially built boat swings. Which of the following statements about the purpose of this crazy custom is not true?

- a) The Easter swing is supposed to protect against mosquito bites in summer
- b) Only virgin girls are allowed to swing, the boys who push them get a kiss from them.
- c) Cattle and crops stay healthy and prosper thanks to swinging
- d) The Easter swings must be burned after Easter so that no evil witches can cast a spell on it.



10. Which famous chocolaterie made the first chocolate egg for Easter in 1873?

- a) Charlemagne Chocolatiers from Belgium
- b) Cadbury's from Great Britain
- c) Zotter Schokoladenmanufaktur from Austria
- d) Fry from Great Britain

11. What happens at the Rouketopolemos on the Greek island of Chios on the night of Orthodox Easter Sunday?

- a) Two rival church congregations fire homemade rockets at each other
- b) An enlightened man (who volunteers today) is crucified in the village square and works miracles until Pentecost
- c) A tree in front of the village church is decorated with 50 small goat cheese eels
- d) A festively decorated cart explodes in front of the monastery of Nea Moni

12. Not in every country the Easter bunny brings the colorful eggs and hides them, it can also be the cuckoo or the Easter rooster - or even crazier. In which country does the church tower bell bring the eggs?

- a) Sweden
- b) Bulgaria
- c) France
- d) Switzerland

13. Which of the following facts about Easter is wrong?

- a) The tradition of coloring Easter eggs first appeared in Ukraine.
- b) Good Friday kites are a tradition in Bermuda.
- c) New York hosts the most popular Easter parade every year.
- d) The tradition of the Easter Bunny comes from Great Britain.

14. How long does the Easter season last?

- a) 10 days
- b) 20 days
- c) 30 days
- d) 50 days



15. How can you almost always tell what color a chicken's eggs are?

- a) by the feed
- b) you can't tell at all
- c) by the tail feathers
- d) By the ears of the chicken



Answers

1. Easter is sometimes on March 22 and then suddenly on April 25. How can this be? Who decided / decides when Easter takes place?

a) The full moon decides the date of Easter. This is because Easter always falls on the first weekend after the first full moon of spring. Our Gregorian calendar is based on the course of the sun and so the date on which Easter takes place is calculated according to the lunar months. Since the full moon fluctuates and does not occur on a fixed day, Easter can occur between March 22 and the 25th.

2. How much did the most expensive Easter egg ever cost, sold on November 28, 2007?

c) 12.5 million euros: This rose-colored, exclusive egg was made by the famous jeweler Carl Fabergé for the Rothschild banking family in 1902. The egg is only 11 cm tall and weighs 3.6kg. It was sold at Christie`s auction house in 2007 for the fabulous price of 12.5 million euros.

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b) Mary Magdalene

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c) English ram rabbit

5. There is no Easter bunny in Australia, although the country is teeming with bunnies. Which Easter animal brings the eggs there?

b) The Bilby, a native marsupial that looks like a big mouse with long ears and a pouch. The reason for this is that before the arrival of the Europeans, there were no rabbits or hares in Australia and when they were introduced, there was a plague of rabbits. Since then, Australia is not at all fond of the long ears and has preferred to make a native marsupial the Easter animal.

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c) White lily - in Christianity it is a symbol of eternal life.



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b) you put it in a bowl of cold water. Fresh eggs remain at the bottom of the bowl because they contain only a few small air bubbles, eggs that are about 14 days old float vertically in the water and eggs that float on top and stick out of the water belong in the garbage can!

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b) Only virgin girls are allowed to swing, the boys who push them get a kiss from them. This is the only thing that is not true!

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c) In France: There, the church bells fly to Rome and drop colorful eggs into French gardens on their way back. This fits quite well, because during the entire Holy Week the bells are not rung in France anyway.

13. Which of the following facts about Easter is wrong?

d) The tradition of the Easter bunny comes from Great Britain. False. The tradition comes from Germany.



14. How long does the Easter season last?

d) 50 days: It starts on Easter and goes until Pentecost.

15. How can you almost always tell what color a chicken's eggs are?

d) By the ears of the chicken! Because eggs lay mostly white or brown eggs and that depends on their genes or breed. The ears or skin flaps under the ear reveal what color the chicken's eggs almost always are - white ear discs = white eggs and red or pink ear discs = brown eggs.