

New Year's Eve Trivia

Circle A, B or C. Team name: _____ Score: ____ / 12

1. In what year did the first ball drop in New York's Times Square?
A) 1957 B) 1999 C) 1907
2. Which Scottish poet wrote down the words of 'Auld Lang Syne'?
A) Charles Dickens B) Robert Burns C) William Shakespeare
3. Which Roman leader's calendar reform in 46 BC used January 1 as the start of the year?
A) Julius Caesar B) Nero C) Augustus
4. On which day of the week does January 1, 2027 fall?
A) Monday B) Friday C) Sunday
5. How many months of the year have 31 days?
A) 5 B) 6 C) 7
6. In Brazil, many people wear what color on New Year's Eve for peace and luck?
A) White B) Brown C) Black
7. Which of these places is one of the LAST to reach midnight on New Year's Eve?
A) Japan B) Iceland C) American Samoa
8. In the Philippines, a New Year's table often has how many kinds of round fruit for luck?
A) 50 B) 3 C) 12
9. In Ecuador, people burn what at midnight to say goodbye to the old year?
A) Calendars only B) Old shoes C) Life-size dolls called 'años viejos'
10. Oliebollen, a Dutch New Year's Eve treat, are what?
A) Pickled herring B) Fried dough balls C) Cheese wheels
11. About how many hours does it take for midnight on New Year's Eve to pass through every time zone on Earth?
A) Exactly 12 hours B) About 26 hours C) About 48 hours
12. In the Northern Hemisphere, which season is it on New Year's Day?
A) Spring B) Winter C) Summer

Answer key

#	Letter	Answer
1	C	1907
2	B	Robert Burns
3	A	Julius Caesar
4	B	Friday
5	C	7
6	A	White
7	C	American Samoa
8	C	12
9	C	Life-size dolls called 'años viejos'
10	B	Fried dough balls
11	B	About 26 hours
12	B	Winter

How to play

Make teams of 2 to 4. Read each question and its 3 choices out loud. Teams write A, B or C. Score 1 point per right answer. Tie-break: each team names as many countries as it can in 30 seconds.

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