



CHRISTMAS QUIZ 2017

1. In Spain 'Vino tinto', 'dyed wine', is what they call red wine. But in Colombia, if you ask for 'tinto', as advertised in the left hand picture, what will you get?
2. The River Nile is generally accepted to be the longest river in the world. But which river contains most water?
3. "The divine drink which builds up resistance & fights fatigue. A cup of this precious drink permits a man to walk for a whole day without food." This is a quote from Hernan Cortes, the conquistador who introduced the drink to Spain in 1528. What is it?
4. In which country is the place on earth closest to the sun?
5. What do the Italians call 'Turkish Grain' (Granoturco); and 'Indian Fig' (Fico d'India)?
6. Diego travelled from Ecuador to the USA by sea sometime in the early 20th century and flew back in 1976. Although over 100 years old, he has since fathered hundreds of babies. Who or what is he?
7. Who is, or was, Sally Lightfoot?
8. Samoa and American Samoa share the same culture and language and are only 50 miles apart. Is it the same time in both?
9. Which 18th-century French song reached No 2 for Elvis Presley, No 1 for British band UB40, No 3 for Andy Williams, and was recorded by Doris Day, Shirley Bassey, and many more?
10. How many steps are there to the top of the Giralda tower in Seville?
11. Where Arthur C Clarke wrote part of 2001 A Space Odyssey here, Sid Vicious stabbed his girlfriend here, Jack Kerouac wrote The Road here, Dylan Thomas died here, and Leonard Cohen wrote two songs about this place. Where?
12. In Spanish, what is an 'imperdible' – an 'unloseable'?
13. Where is the biggest bullring in the World?

14. Who was Italian in Spanish, Mexican in Catalan, and Spanish in English?
15. Spanish football: who are 'La Real'? El Real?
16. See right-hand picture: The 'Home of Football', as per the sign of the grandstand, is in which city?
17. Where is the birthplace of Spanish football?
18. 'Alas, poor Yorick, I knew him well.' But actually Yorick, in 1951, was the first to return alive from where?
19. Spain has 4 national languages (Castilian Spanish, Catalan, Gallego and Basque). But which is the language of the Spanish national anthem?
20. In which countries are:
Donostia?
Leibach?
Vilna?
21. See top photo: this picture was taken on public transport, asking passengers not to make sudden movements? What kind of transport? Note the translation!
22. For the Spanish it's Carmen, for the French it's Célestin, and for the Russians it could be Konstantin or Sergei. Who or what is it here?
23. Who is both Co-Prince of Andorra, and the 'First and Only Honorary Canon of the Archbasilica of Rome'.
24. What is the link between Ernest Hemingway, Errol Flynn, Pablo Picasso, John Wayne, James Joyce, Edgar Allan Poe, Sophia Loren, and Charlie Chaplin?
25. If driving across the US state of Arizona, passing through the areas reserved for the Navajo and Hopi nations, how many times should you change your watch?

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