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Christmas Quiz Answers 2019

1. Athens – Panathenaic stadium
2. Suede
3. Norman Wisdom
4. Nepal



5. Hawaii



6. Tapas – which means lids in Spanish, referring to the covers used to keep the flies out of glasses of wine.



7. Space launches from French Guyana – legally part of France, not a colony.
8. Both true and false. Shakespeare died on this date in England, which was still using the Julian calendar. Cervantes died on this date in Spain, which had changed to the Gregorian calendar (the one we use today). So Cervantes died 10 days before Shakespeare. On the same date!
9. Onion Johnnies – Breton door-to-door onion sellers who first came across to the UK in the mid-1800s.

10. Korea. A united North- and South Korean women's team was formed. But different words for positions were used in North and South Korea – e.g. the Net minder is Gol-kipeo (south) and 'Mun-jigi' (north, literally doorkeeper).
11. Skoda – means 'damage'. But the name came from the founder, Emil Skoda.
12. Glasgow.
13. The world's highest waterfalls – outdoor and indoor.
14. SOS. The original distress signal was CQ, from the French 'Sécu(rite) with D added later. Germany's · · · – – · · · was then adopted into Morse code S O S.
15. Bolivia (Sucre, Nuestra Señora de La Paz – usually shortened to La Paz, of course. Sucre was a general and the first President of Bolivia.)
16. It was in South America. During the Napoleonic wars, the capital was moved from Lisbon to Rio de Janeiro.
17. It's short for José Juan. But he is happy to be called José, too.
18. He couldn't get permission to fly his 165hp aircraft over the Atlantic to Dublin. So he filed a flight plan from New York to Los Angeles and then flew 'mistakenly' to Dublin, saying that his compass needle must have been reversed and so he flew the wrong way!
19. He grew up in Gibraltar – 'The Rock'. He is bilingual and successful in Spanish as well as English. The back catalogue of songs he wrote is impressive. Incidentally his son, Albert Hammond Jr, is guitarist in the band the Strokes.
20. Belfast and the Isle of Man.
21. They have all moved their capital city. Egypt has proposed to build a new capital 30 miles east of Cairo.
22. Alaska. Both of them! Semisopchnoi Island, in the Aleutian islands between Alaska and Russia, is at 179°46' East – in the Eastern Hemisphere, just! The locations within the territory of the Aleutian Islands which lie exactly on the 180th meridian are by longitude simultaneously the easternmost and westernmost points of the United States.
23. The Millau Viaduct over the River Tarn.
24. The Sagrada Familia. The most expensive one ever issued!
25. It's bin day – the bin lorry and crew need to get back to the mainland!
26. Berlin. 9 years late, 6-7billion euros over budget – and counting!
27. There wasn't one. See <https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/frank-zappa-memorial>
28. In 1890 by treaty the UK and Germany swapped Helgoland (previously British, 0.7sqm) for Zanzibar (950sqm).
29. Stonehenge.
30. Mr Navarro died in 2016; his seat is occupied by his bronze statue. Vicente Navarro became a Valencia season-ticket holder in 1948, and kept coming to games even after he became blind in 1982. He died in 2016, but as part of their centenary celebrations, a life-size statue of this most faithful supporter was commissioned and installed in his usual seat.

