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### Vinehall Christmas Quiz 2006-(Years 7and 8 )

Find the answers using any means you like but **the quiz sheet must be filled in by the Vinehall pupil** whose name appears on the paper. Hand into form teachers at the beginning of Lent term

#### History

1. Which well known 19<sup>th</sup> century figure said "I have climbed to the top of the greasy pole?".....
2. The battle of Edgehill (1642) took place early on in which war?.....
3. Who was Hereward the Wake?.....
4. Vladimir Ulyanov is better known as which important 20<sup>th</sup> century figure?.....
5. With which 18<sup>th</sup> century Prime Minister do you associate "the mince pie administration?".....
6. Who was prosecuted for No 45 of the North Briton?.....
7. What was the name of the wall built to the north of Hadrian's Wall?.....
8. What destroyed one third of Europe's population between 1347 and 1351?.....
9. Name the Christian organisation founded by William Booth in 1865?.....
10. With what do you associate the phrase "the war of the three Henrys?".....

#### Science

11. What did Louis Pasteur discover by sneezing onto a culture plate?.....
12. What is emitted by polonium 210?.....
13. Which animal's liver can you not eat?.....
14. What would happen to a helium balloon in a car when the brakes are applied?.....
15. What are the most distant and most luminous objects in the universe?.....

#### Music

16. One of Ralph Vaughan Williams' best known works is a fantasia based on which 16<sup>th</sup> century tune?.....
17. In terms of music what does Steven Spielberg's *ET* have in common with George Lucas' *Star Wars* films?.....
18. Who wrote the music for the films *Toy Story* and *Babe*?.....
19. Who wrote the opera *Carmen*?.....
20. Who wrote the opera *The Magic Flute*?.....
21. Which scale is made up of semitones?.....
22. Who recently released his new classical oratorio entitled *Ecce Cor Meum*?.....

#### Latin

WHICH IS THE ODD ONE OUT?

##### cases/number

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|------------|----------|---------|--------------|
| 23. leo    | Marco    | amico   | puero.....   |
| 24. ventum | amicum   | bellum  | nominum..... |
| 25. leone  | amice    | rege    | nomine.....  |
| 26. aqua   | agricola | ancilla | bella.....   |
| 27. regis  | puellis  | amicis  | bellis.....  |

##### people

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|--------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| 28. Caesar   | Brutus    | Cassius      | Achilles.....  |
| 29. Horace   | Catullus  | Aristophanes | Virgil.....    |
| 30. Socrates | Euripides | Aeschylus    | Sophocles..... |
| 31. Athena   | Artemis   | Juno         | Aphrodite..... |
| 32. Perseus  | Hercules  | Augustus     | Jason.....     |

#### Who Wrote It?

33. Far from the Madding Crowd .....
34. Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief.....
35. A Tale of Two Cities .....
36. I Capture the Castle.....
37. Les Miserables.....
38. The Scarlet Pimpernel.....
39. Brighton Rock.....
40. Keep the Aspidistra Flying.....
41. Catcher in the Rye.....
42. Wuthering Heights.....

#### France

43. What language did French originate from?.....
44. What is a *beret*?.....
45. What does *service compris* at the bottom of a bill mean?.....
46. What is the French train company called?.....
47. What is a *croque monsieur*?.....
48. What is the *metro*?.....
49. The fastest train in the world is in France. What is its name?.....
50. What colour grapes make white wine?.....
51. If you were in France and you asked for *escargots* what would you get?.....

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52. Where do all the roads in France lead?.....

### Sport

53. Which sport is played in a doyo?.....

54. In which sport do you use a butt? .....

55. In which game might you sink a birdie? .....

56. How many Chukkas are there in a polo match? .....

57. Which country is represented by the Pumas?.....

58. Which sport is represented by the Pumas? .....

### Phobias

*If you suffer from the following phobias, what are you afraid of?*

59. Claustrophobia.....

60. Agoraphobia.....

61. Triskaidekaphobia.....

62. Xenophobia.....

63. Phasmophobia.....

### Christmas Season

64. Which semi parasite do we associate with Christmas?.....

65. What does *wassailing* mean?.....

66. Which tiny bird was traditionally hunted on Christmas Day?.....

67. What day is the feast of Stephen mentioned in the carol Good King Wenceslas?.....

68. Which traditional Christmas story features a Mouse King and a clockmaker called Drosselmeier?.....

69. What did the ancient Romans call their winter festival of lights?.....

70. In *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens name the first ghost seen by Scrooge.....

### Parliament

71. What type of law does the UK Parliament make? .....

72. How many readings must a law have in both Houses? .....

73. What is the name given to the technique of delaying the passage of a bill by using procedural devices during debate?..

74. What is the official emblem of Parliament? .....

75. What term is given to the permission granted to an MP to miss a vote? .....

76. From which game (close to John Prescott's heart!) did the above term originate?.....

77. How many MPs make a quorum in the House of Commons?.....

78. What name is given to the money granted to opposition parties to help with their parliamentary costs?.....

79. When was this first introduced? .....

80. Each MP has a loop of ribbon in the cloakroom of the House of Commons. What is this for? .....

### Myths and legends

81. In the Trojan War story, Odysseus thought of the idea of the wooden horse but which craftsman built it?.....

82. At the end of the Trojan War who was one of the few Trojan survivors who escaped with his father, wife and son?.....

83. What was the name of the shepherd who found Romulus and Remus and took them in?.....

84. What is the name of the Norse god of Thunder?.....

85. What was the name of the Norse trickster god?.....

86. What is the name of the Indian elephant god in charge of wisdom and learning?.....

87. What is the name of the Indian Lord of the Dance?.....

88. What is the name of King Arthur's half sister and enemy?.....

89. Which Round Table knight features in a story with the Green Knight?.....

90. Which Round Table knight fell in love with a girl called Iseult (also known as Isolde)?.....

### London

91. What system did Joseph Bazalgette design as a response to the "Great Stink" in 1858?.....

92. In which street did the Great Fire of London start?.....

93. Colonel Thomas Blood was famous for which attempted theft?.....

94. What was the first London Underground line?.....

95. True or false: when the River Thames froze over Frost Fairs were held on the ice.....

96. Where in London is Traitors' Gate?.....

97. What was Sherlock Holmes' London address?.....

98. What is the name of the obelisk which stands on the Embankment by the Thames?.....

99. What is the name of the monument which stands in Piccadilly Circus?.....

100. Which London landmark was sold and moved to Arizona, USA in 1968?.....

**Have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!!!!!!**