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Thanksgiving Mixed Trivia Answer Key

1. Which state in the United States produces the most Turkeys?

a: Texas b: Tennessee c: North Carolina d: Kentucky

Best trivia answer is c., but not entirely true. North Carolina is actually the top producer of poultry in the U.S., but Minnesota is said to be the top producer of Turkeys. Both are said hold merit to this.

2. What retail department store held the first Thanksgiving Parade?

a: Gimbel's b: Sears c: JC Penny's d: Macy's

Nope! Not Macy's. Gimbel Brothers Department Store held the first Thanksgiving Parade in Philadelphia in 1920.

3. What year did the NFL start playing football games on Thanksgiving?

a: 1934 b: 1966 c: 1920 d: 1934

The first NFL football games to be played on Thanksgiving Day were played on November 25, 1920.

4. What country produces the most sweet potatoes (a.k.a. yams) every year?

a: United States b: China c: Russia d: Brazil

China is said to produce over 70,000,000 metric tons annually. WOW!

5. Pumpkin was once believed to be a remedy or cure for what skin condition?

a: Acne b: Warts c: Psoriasis d: Freckles

Not only was it said to cure freckles, but also snake bites.

6. How many Turkeys are estimated to be eaten by Americans on Thanksgiving?

a: 535 Million b: 325 Million c: 125 Million d: 240 Million

Trick Answer! If you chose a: you are close, but it is actually 535 Million POUNDS of Turkey averaging out to an estimated 46 million Turkey's being consumed by Americans each year at Thanksgiving. 325 million was also included as a choice, which is close to the 2017 U.S. census total of 325.72.

7. On what year was Thanksgiving declared a legal federal holiday in the United States?

a: 1789 b: 1621 c: 1941 d: 1863

In 1941 Congress decided to designate an official set day in November that the holiday would be celebrated on. President Roosevelt signed the resolution on December 26, 1941 declaring the fourth Thursday in November as the official Federal Thanksgiving Day holiday.

8. What Native American Indian tribe celebrated the first Thanksgiving feast with the Pilgrims?

a: Huron b: Wampanoag c: Abenaki d: Chippewa

Wampanoag, means "People of the First Light". In the 1600s, the tribe was estimated to consist of 40,000 people within 67 villages that made up the Wampanoag Nation.

9. What does the term "Cornucopia" mean?

a: Horn of Plenty b: Coping with Corn c: Basket of Gords d: Who Cares, Lets Eat!

Definition: Symbol of plenty consisting of a goat's horn overflowing with flowers, fruit, corn...Yep! My choice would be d: Who Cares, Lets Eat!

10. What is a Turkey Trot?

a: Footrace b: Male Turkey Mating Dance c: Ballroom Dance d: All are correct (a,b and c)

Yes! All are correct, and what better way to burn off all those calories from Thanksgiving than a footrace or dancing.

11. A Turkey is pardoned every year by the U.S. President. Where have those Turkeys gone after being pardoned?

a: Morven Park b: Frying Pan Park c: Disneyland d: All are correct (a,b and c)

Well! All except those that were pardoned by President Dwight Eisenhower during his two terms. It is recorded on Eisenhower Presidential Library documents that those Turkeys pardoned by President Dwight Eisenhower became part of the Presidential Thanksgiving Feast.

12. What American grocery manufacturing/processing conglomerate first introduced Stove Top Stuffing? In what year?

a: Kraft in 1995 b: McCormick in 1964 c: General Foods in 1972 d: Pepperidge Farms in 1948

What a record! 47 years, easy peasy prep, and still popular.

