April Trivia

Choose one answer per question. Circle A, B, C, or D.

1. Which gemstone does the Gemological Institute of America list as April’s birthstone?
   A. Diamond
   B. Ruby
   C. Sapphire
   D. Emerald

2. UNESCO set aside April 30 to celebrate which kind of music internationally?
   A. Bluegrass
   B. Opera
   C. Jazz
   D. Reggae

3. World Health Day falls on April 7, the founding anniversary of which organization?
   A. UNICEF
   B. World Health Organization
   C. UNESCO
   D. World Meteorological Organization

4. Anzac Day is observed on April 25. Which two countries are named in the initials ANZAC?
   A. Australia and Papua New Guinea
   B. Australia and Fiji
   C. New Zealand and Samoa
   D. Australia and New Zealand

5. In the Netherlands, what color do many people wear for the late-April King’s Day celebrations?
   A. Purple
   B. Orange
   C. Green
   D. Blue

6. On April 23, Barcelona fills with stalls for Catalonia’s Sant Jordi celebration. Which two gifts are associated with the day?

A. Books and roses
B. Candles and lanterns
C. Painted eggs and ribbons
D. Kites and paper fans

7. Which celebration does Sri Lanka’s government name in its April 14, 2026 New Year greeting?

A. Persian New Year
B. Chinese New Year
C. Thai New Year
D. Sinhala and Tamil New Year

8. NASA’s first orbital Space Shuttle mission launched on April 12, 1981. Which shuttle was on that flight?

A. Atlantis
B. Discovery
C. Columbia
D. Challenger

9. When Brasília was inaugurated as Brazil’s new federal capital on April 21, 1960, which city had held that role immediately before it?

A. Rio de Janeiro
B. São Paulo
C. Salvador
D. Belo Horizonte

10. Which flower became the symbol that gives Portugal’s April 25, 1974 revolution its common name?

A. Poppy
B. Tulip
C. Daffodil
D. Carnation

11. A museum draft calls April 21, 753 BCE a precisely documented founding date for Rome. Which label better reflects how Rome’s city guide presents the date?

A. The exact date an ancient inscription records as the city’s founding.
B. The date of the first documented election in the Roman Republic.
C. The traditional date of Rome’s founding, associated with the legend of Romulus.
D. The anniversary of the opening of the Colosseum, linked to Romulus.

12. The first Boston Marathon on April 19, 1897 covered 24.5 miles. The course was lengthened to about 26.2 miles in 1924. Using these figures, how much longer was the new route?

A. About 0.7 miles
B. About 1.7 miles
C. About 2.2 miles
D. About 2.7 miles

13. Which two events does the U.S. Office of the Historian record for Zimbabwe on April 18, 1980?

A. Zimbabwe adopted a new flag, and the United States opened a consulate in a second city.
B. Zimbabwe gained independence, and the United States closed its embassy there.
C. Zimbabwe joined the United Nations, and the United States moved its embassy to another city.
D. Zimbabwe gained independence, and the United States established its embassy there.

14. An April history exhibit has cards for the District of Columbia Emancipation Act and the final Emancipation Proclamation. Which dates belong on the cards, in that order?

A. April 16, 1862 and January 1, 1863
B. January 1, 1863 and April 16, 1862
C. April 16, 1862 for both
D. January 1, 1863 for both

15. The United Nations observes Chinese Language Day on April 20. Which program note correctly connects its date with a traditional calendar term and a figure from legend?

A. The date is linked to a solstice and honors Cangjie for mapping rivers.
B. The date is linked to a lunar eclipse and honors Cangjie for an early moon calendar.
C. The date is linked to the solar term Guyu and honors Cangjie, a figure associated with the origin of Chinese characters.
D. The date is linked to a leap day and honors Cangjie for recording the seasons.