December Trivia

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

1. Which December 10 observance marks the United Nations' adoption of a declaration about rights and freedoms in 1948?
   A. Human Rights Day
   B. World Oceans Day
   C. International Literacy Day
   D. World Teachers’ Day

2. In December 1903, the Wright brothers tested their powered Flyer on the coast of which U.S. state?
   A. South Carolina
   B. New Jersey
   C. North Carolina
   D. Florida

3. Which prize is presented in Oslo at the December 10 Nobel ceremonies?
   A. The Nobel Prize in Literature
   B. The Nobel Peace Prize
   C. The Nobel Prize in Chemistry
   D. The Nobel Prize in Physics

4. What part of a farm's environment does the FAO focus on each year on December 5?
   A. The wind across open fields
   B. The sunlight that reaches the leaves
   C. The insects that carry pollen
   D. The soil where crops take root

5. On December 2, 1971, six emirates formed which federation?
   A. The Federation of Malaysia
   B. The United Arab Emirates
   C. The United Republic of Tanzania
   D. The Commonwealth of Australia

6. In the original Blue Marble photograph taken by Apollo 17 in December 1972, which pair of continents is visible?

A. Africa and Antarctica
B. Europe and North America
C. South America and Australia
D. North America and Australia

7. Which country did the expedition led by Roald Amundsen represent when it reached the South Pole in December 1911?

A. Finland
B. Sweden
C. Denmark
D. Norway

8. December 7 is International Civil Aviation Day. Which 1944 agreement underlies the observance?

A. The Montreal Protocol on ozone
B. The Geneva Convention on Road Traffic
C. The Chicago Convention
D. The Treaty of Rome

9. Which U.S. law signed on December 28, 1973, established federal protections for threatened and endangered species and their habitats?

A. The Endangered Species Act
B. The Wilderness Act
C. The National Environmental Policy Act
D. The Marine Mammal Protection Act

10. The United Nations designated December 11 as an annual observance after dedicating 2002 to which kind of landscape?

A. Tropical forests
B. Deserts
C. Rivers
D. Mountains

11. Which action did Douglas Engelbart’s group demonstrate live in December 1968 using its experimental NLS system?

A. Scanning a QR code with a smartphone
B. Downloading a mobile app through a store
C. Collaborating on a shared document
D. Sending a message through the World Wide Web

12. Earth passes through material associated with which small Solar System body when the Geminid meteor shower peaks in December?

A. Halley
B. Phaethon
C. Swift–Tuttle
D. Tempel–Tuttle

13. Which capital city hosted the conference at which twelve countries signed the Antarctic Treaty on December 1, 1959?

A. Wellington
B. Ottawa
C. Canberra
D. Washington, D.C.

14. Which state supplied the ratification that brought the Thirteenth Amendment to the required three-fourths threshold on December 6, 1865?

A. Georgia
B. Virginia
C. Texas
D. Ohio

15. In which year did the UN General Assembly adopt Resolution 47/3, proclaiming the December 3 observance now called the International Day of Persons with Disabilities?

A. 1975
B. 1948
C. 1992
D. 2006