Easter Trivia

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

1. Under the Western Gregorian calculation, which day of the week is Easter Day?
   A. Sunday
   B. Friday
   C. Saturday
   D. Monday

2. In the Church of England's calendar, which observance falls on the Sunday before Easter Day?
   A. Ash Wednesday
   B. Pentecost
   C. Palm Sunday
   D. Epiphany

3. In English Heritage's account of Victorian street food, which baked item did vendors offer for Good Friday?
   A. Yorkshire puddings
   B. Hot cross buns
   C. Mince pies
   D. Shortbread fingers

4. What does the Canadian Museum of History identify as a pysanka in Ukrainian Easter tradition?
   A. A carved wooden spoon
   B. A woven basket
   C. An embroidered scarf
   D. A decorated egg

5. In John 20:1, who reaches the tomb before daylight?
   A. Simon Peter
   B. Mary of Magdala
   C. Thomas
   D. Martha of Bethany

6. The Church of England's Easter Day guide describes a service that can begin on Holy Saturday evening. What is the service called?

A. The Easter Vigil
B. The Palm Sunday procession
C. The Good Friday liturgy
D. The Ash Wednesday service

7. In the Canadian Museum of History's account of traditional pysanky, what keeps dye from coloring selected areas of the shell?

A. Egg white
B. Salt crystals
C. Flour paste
D. Beeswax

8. Which U.S. president opened the White House grounds to children for the first White House Easter Egg Roll recorded in 1878?

A. James A. Garfield
B. Ulysses S. Grant
C. Rutherford B. Hayes
D. Grover Cleveland

9. In Luke 24:13–16, which village are two disciples walking toward when Jesus joins them?

A. Emmaus
B. Bethlehem
C. Bethany
D. Nazareth

10. According to the Royal Mint Museum's account of Royal Maundy, what is in the white purse presented to recipients?

A. Paper vouchers for bread
B. Ordinary coins given in place of food and clothing
C. Miniature silver medals
D. Silver Maundy coins

11. What are the earliest and latest possible dates for Easter Sunday under the Western Gregorian calculation?

A. March 22 and April 26
B. March 21 and April 25
C. March 22 and April 25
D. March 25 and April 30

12. In a fictional calendar using the Western Gregorian rule, the first ecclesiastical full moon on or after March 21 falls on Sunday, April 9. What is Easter Sunday's date in this example?

A. April 9
B. April 16
C. April 10
D. April 23

13. Mark 16:1 names Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James when describing the purchase of spices. Who is named with them?

A. Elizabeth
B. Joanna
C. Martha
D. Salome

14. If Western Gregorian Easter Sunday falls on April 12, on what date does the Roman Catholic Octave of Easter end?

A. April 19
B. April 18
C. April 20
D. April 26

15. The Law Library of Congress describes an 1876 act about the Capitol grounds and an 1878 Easter Monday decision. Which sequence matches those records?

A. Congress opened the Capitol grounds to egg rollers, then the White House ended egg rolling on its lawn.
B. The White House grounds opened to egg rollers, then Congress restricted playground use of the Capitol grounds.
C. Congress restricted playground use of the Capitol grounds, then the White House grounds opened to egg rollers.
D. Congress restricted playground use of the White House grounds, then egg rollers were invited to the Capitol.