



Birthday Trivia Questions



Wow (and stump!) guests at a birthday party with these general birthday-related trivia questions. The answers appear on pages three and four.

Short Answer Birthday Trivia

It'll be fun to see who knows (or can quickly find) the answers to these birthday trivia questions.

1. What does it mean to say that someone is wearing their birthday suit?
2. At what age does a person celebrate their silver jubilee birthday?
3. At what age does a person celebrate their golden birthday?
4. At what age can a person be called a centenarian?
5. What is the last birthday a person will celebrate as a tween?
6. In what culture were the first birthday cakes baked?
7. In what country did the tradition of putting candles on birthday cakes begin?
8. In what country did the practice of holding birthday parties for children begin?
9. In what country is it a tradition to eat longevity noodles on one's birthday?
10. In what country were children's birthday parties referred to as *kinderfeste*?
11. In what decade did hospitals start making footprints of newborn babies?
12. To which U.S. president did Marilyn Monroe sing "Happy Birthday, Mr. President?"
13. How many seconds pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)?
14. How many hours pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)?
15. How many minutes pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)?
16. What religion does not observe birthdays because of a belief that doing so would displease God?
17. How many times does the Earth travel around the sun in between a person's birthdays?
18. In what country does *buon compleanno* mean happy birthday?

True/False Birthday Trivia

These questions can be a fun ice breaker if you have guests cluster with others who choose the same answer before you reveal the truth.

1. Blowing out candles more than doubles the number of bacteria present on the icing of a cake.
2. Does the Old Testament of the Bible mention a feast held in honor of someone's birthday?
3. Employers are legally required to give employees their birthday off from work as a paid holiday.
4. The tradition of blowing out a candle on a birthday cake began as a way to ask the gods to provide protection for the person celebrating a birthday.
5. The occasions that are most popular for sending or giving greeting cards are birthdays and graduations.
6. Anyone can get a copy of their birth certificate for free from the county or state where they were born.
7. A person's hair would grow about one foot (12 inches) if they didn't get a haircut in between two birthdays.
8. In Spanish, you'd say *Feliz aniversario* to wish someone a happy birthday.
9. In French, you'd say *bon anniversaire!* to wish someone a happy birthday.



Answers to Birthday Trivia Questions



Short Answer Birthday Trivia

It'll be fun to see who knows (or can quickly find) the answers to these birthday trivia questions.

1. What does it mean to say that someone is wearing their birthday suit? **They're not wearing any clothes.**
2. At what age does a person celebrate their silver jubilee birthday? **25**
3. At what age does a person celebrate their golden birthday? **When their age matches their date of birth; someone born on the 27th of any month would have a golden birthday when they turn 27.**
4. At what age can a person be called a centenarian? **100**
5. What is the last birthday a person will celebrate as a tween? **12**
6. In what culture were the first birthday cakes baked? **Ancient Rome**
7. In what country did the tradition of putting candles on birthday cakes begin? **Greece**
8. In what country did the practice of holding birthday parties for children begin? **Germany, in the 19th Century**
9. In what country is it a tradition to eat longevity noodles on one's birthday? **China**
10. In what country were children's birthday parties referred to as kinderfeste? **Germany**
11. In what decade did hospitals start making footprints of newborn babies? **the 1960s**
12. To which U.S. president did Marilyn Monroe sing "Happy Birthday, Mr. President?" **John F. Kennedy**
13. How many seconds pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)? **31,536,000**
14. How many hours pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)? **8,760**
15. How many minutes pass between each of a person's birthdays (other than in leap years)? **525,600**
16. What religion does not observe birthdays because of a belief that doing so would displease God? **Jehovah's Witness**
17. How many times does the Earth travel around the sun in between a person's birthdays? **1**
18. In what country does *buon compleanno* mean happy birthday? **Italy**

True/False Birthday Trivia

This can be a fun ice breaker if you have guests cluster with others who choose the same answer before you reveal the truth.

1. Blowing out candles more than doubles the number of bacteria present on the icing of a cake.

True

2. Does the Old Testament of the Bible mention a feast held in honor of someone's birthday? **True**

3. Employers are legally required to give employees their birthday off from work as a paid holiday.

False

4. The tradition of blowing out a candle on a birthday cake began as a way to ask the gods to provide protection for the person celebrating a birthday. **True**

5. The occasions that are most popular for sending or giving greeting cards are birthdays and graduations. **False**

6. Anyone can get a copy of their birth certificate for free from the county or state where they were born. **False**

7. A person's hair would grow about one foot (12 inches) if they didn't get a haircut in between two birthdays. **False**

8. In Spanish, you'd say *Feliz aniversario* to wish someone a happy birthday. **False**

9. In French, you'd say *bon anniversaire!* to wish someone a happy birthday. **True**

