

## ICELAND – Quiz questions

**1) Identify the international organisation of which Iceland is not a member.**

- A. European Union
- B. European Free Trade Association
- C. Nordic Council
- D. Arctic Council

**2) In which year did Iceland gain full independence from the Kingdom of Denmark?**

- A. 871
- B. 1908
- C. 1944
- D. 1945

**3) The biggest glacier in Iceland is:**

- A. Vatnajökull
- B. Drangajökull
- C. Langjökull
- D. Mýrdalsjökull

**4) Which university in Iceland was established in the early twentieth century, and open to both men and women from the beginning?**

- A. University of Iceland
- B. University of Akureyri
- C. Iceland University of the Arts
- D. Reykjavik University

**5) The name of Iceland's parliament, in the Icelandic language, is:**

- A. Alþingi
- B. Folketing
- C. Bessastaðir
- D. Viðey

**6) What is the currency of Iceland nowadays?**

- A. Danish Krone
- B. Viking Krona
- C. Nordic Krona
- D. Icelandic Króna

**7) How many Christmas folklore figures, (or Santa Clauses), does Iceland have, according to local legends?**

- A. 3
- B. 7
- C. 13
- D. 15

**8) What does “lopapeysa” mean in Icelandic?**

- A. Icelandic lamb soup
- B. Icelandic painting tradition
- C. Icelandic wool sweater
- D. The National Day of Iceland

**9) Which of the following activities cannot be done in Iceland?**

- A. Tasting local greenhouse grown tomatoes
- B. Puffin watching
- C. Glacial hiking
- D. Polar bear watching

**10) The last name of Björk, the Icelandic musician, is:**

- A. Grímsdóttir
- B. Magnússdóttir
- C. Guðmundsdóttir
- D. She does not have a last name

**11) Which of these mammals is native to Iceland?**

- A. Icelandic sheepdog
- B. Arctic fox
- C. Sheep
- D. Cow

**12) The best conditions for northern lights observation, including in Iceland, do not include:**

- A. Clear and dark sky
- B. Low temperature
- C. No artificial lights
- D. Strong solar wind activity

**13) What was the name of the volcano which erupted in 2010 and caused massive flight cancellations around Europe?**

- A. Öraefajökull
- B. Snæfellsjökull
- C. Eyjafjallajökull
- D. Tindfjallajökull

**14) Please identify the news media service below which is not Icelandic.**

- A. Morgunblaðið
- B. Vísir
- C. The Reykjavík Grapevine
- D. Berlingske

**15) The only part of Icelandic territory north of the Arctic Circle is:**

- A. Húsavík
- B. Westman Islands
- C. Grímsey Island
- D. Akureyri

**16) What percentage of Iceland is covered by glaciers?**

- A. 20%
- B. 11%
- C. 15%
- D. 17%

**17) What bird is the national animal of Iceland?**

- A. Arctic Tern
- B. Icelfander Raven
- C. Gyrfalcon
- D. Atlantic Puffin

**18) What percentage of Icelandic people claim to believe in elves or say they may exist?**

- A. More than 20%
- B. More than 30%
- C. More than 40%
- D. More than 50%

**19) A large part of which of these famous Jules Verne novels is set in Iceland?**

- A. From the Earth to the Moon
- B. Journey to the Centre of the Earth
- C. Captain Grant's Children
- D. Around the World in 80 Days

**20) What is Iceland's parliament known as?**

- A. The Nonthing
- B. The Sumthing
- C. The Althing
- D. The Verything