

LW&D Christmas Quiz, 2015

- 1 3 Name three stamp-issuing countries ending in O. **San Marino Montenegro Monaco Mexico
Puerto Rico Rio de Oro Tobago Fernando Poo Curacao (+ various Aegean Islands)**
- 2 3 Name three ditto countries ending in I. **Inini Ifni Burundi Fiji Aitutaki Hawaii Bundi Oubangi-
Chari Brunei Malawi Kiribati Mali**
- 3 1 World's 'most valuable stamp' was sold in 2014. How much for? **\$9.5 million (points for closest)**
- 4 1 Which other (European) stamp is also *unique*? **Swedish 3skilling Yellow (error)**
- 5 1 Which is Gibbons' highest priced GB stamp? **QV Penny Red Plate 77 (£100,000)**
- 6 3 What is the present day name for these : B.C.A., New Hebrides, British Honduras? **Malawi
(= Nyasaland) Vanuatu Belize**
- 7 1 What is the *smallest* British colony? **Pitcairn (2.2 miles long, pop. 56)**
- 8 1 What is Europe's *smallest* stamp-issuing state? **Vatican City**
- 9 3 Who 'owns' Aruba, Wallis & Futuna, Greenland? **Neth's. France Denmark**
- 10 2 What is the currency of Malta? And of Cyprus? **Both Euro**
- 11 2 Name two Commonwealth countries that issued *farthing* stamps? **(Malta, Bermuda,
Barbados, Cayman Is. Grenada, Dominica)**
- 12 2 When were the *first* and *last* issues for British Burma? **1937 1947**
- 13 1 Burmese stamp is overprinted with a large *peacock*. What does this tell you? **Under Japanese
Occupation**
- 14 1 What happened to the stamp issues of Martinique and Guadeloupe? **Absorbed into France (as
départements)**
- 15 3 How many *reigning* monarchs' portraits have appeared on the stamps of : Germany,
France, GB ? **0 1 6**
- 16 1 How can you tell apart the modern stamps of China PR and Taiwan? ('China', 'Republic of
China')
- 17 1 How many territories issued overprints on the GB Silver Wedding pair – three, four, five or
six? **5 (Morocco Agencies. Tangier Bahrain Kuwait Brit. Offices Eastern Arabia)**
- 18 1 What is 'pelure' paper'? **Thin, hard, semi-transparent**
- 19 1 What was independent Ireland's *first* commemorative issue? **Daniel O'Connell, 1929**
- 20 2 In what years did the GB 'Penny Post' letter rate begin and end? **1840, 1918**
- 21 4 Whose portraits appear on the first and last of the US 'Prexie' set of 1935? **Benj. Franklin
Coolidge** Which values did *not* depict a president? **1½ cents, 4½ cents**
- 22 4 In forming independent Malaysia, a) which two states *joined* the Union, b) which *left* it, and
c) which one stayed fully *independent*? **a) Sarawak, North. Borneo, b) Singapore, c) Brunei**
- 23 2 What were the subjects of the *first* and *second* GB Christmas issues? **Childrens' paintings
(‘King’, ‘Snowman’) Classical Nativity paintings**

- 24 2 Who designed, and who printed the famous 1929 £1 Black Postal Congress stamp? **H. Nelson, Bradbury Wilkinson**
- 25 2 Which *earlier* royal portraits featured on stamps of Barbados and Cayman Islands? **Charles I, William IV**
- 26 1 The 'Sage' design (*Peace & Commerce*) issued on French stamps from 1876. Some were *Imperf.* What does that tell you? **Issued for French Colonies (general issues)**
- 27 1 A phoenix is featured on a Commonwealth Victory pair. Whose? **Hong Kong**
- 28 3 In what different colours did the GB 2/6d definitive stamp appear? **Mauve, Brown, Green**
- 29 1 'XMAS 1898' – what is special about one Commonwealth country's set of three? **Canada: Empire Map, each printed in three colours**
- 30 3 What is signified by these overprints on GB or commonwealth stamps: IEF, EAF, BCOF.? **Indian Exped. Force East African Forces British Commonwealth Occupation Force**
- 31 1 Who issued stamps for the various 'Aegean Islands'? **Italy**
- 32 3 In 1933 the Falkland issued a long pictorial set – commemorating what? What were the designs for the top and bottom values? **Colony's Centenary King George V a Merino sheep**
- 33 1 Sierra Leone issued a long pictorial set, also in 1933 – commemorating what? **Centenary of abolition of slavery & of Wm. Wilberforce**
- 34 2 Which countries featured portraits of King Zog, General San Martín,? **Albania Argentina**
- 35 1 In what currency were GB stamps overprinted 'LEVANT'? **Piastres**
- 36 1 Which European country's stamps showed the *worst* inflation immediately after WW2? **Hungary (stamps to 500,000 milion million pengos)**
- 37 2 Name two CW countries' names that have contained the word *North* or *Northern*? **North Borneo Northern Rhodesia Northern Nigeria N.W. Pacific Islands Northern Ireland**
- 38 1 In 1905 three issues were amalgamated into one : ANGRA, HORTA and PONTA DELGADA. What was that single name? **Azores**
- 39 2 Common stamps of which of these countries has *not* featured a rampant lion? Belgium, Bulgaria, Norway, Finland, Austria ? **Austria**
- 40 3 On the separate sheet, can you name (in English) three of these countries? **1 SELANGOR**
2 ALBANIA 3 NORTH INGRIA 4 SPAIN 5 GREENLAND

TOTAL : 74