

# GEOGRAPHY TRIVIA QUESTIONS X



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- 1> What country is made up of two islands, inventively named North Island and South Island, that are on two different continental plates and are separated by Cook Strait?
- 2> Which nomadic North African people have no commonly used written form of their language?
- 3> Strictly speaking, Big Ben is what specific part of the Houses of Parliament?
- 4> It used to be that we thought these people came from Egypt. In fact, based on study of their language, they probably came from northwestern India. Who are they?
- 5> On what continent do the borders of Botswana, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe meet at a single point called the Four Corners Heartland?
- 6> Only Indonesia exports more nutmegs than does what Caribbean country, which even has a nutmeg on its flag?
- 7> There were no lions or gladiators in July 2000, when a Sophocles play, Oedipus Rex, became the first show in 1500 years staged at what venue?
- 8> If you were in a restaurant overlooking Narragansett Bay, enjoying a fried cornbread called johnnycake, where would you be?
- 9> Who summers at the Castel Gandolfo, which doubles as an astronomical observatory?
- 10> The only real waterfall on the Mississippi is St Anthony Falls. What state is it in?
- 11> What lake, the world's deepest, is fed by 336 rivers but only drained by one (the Angara)?
- 12> After the Civil War, losing Confederates packed up their slaves and founded

the town of Americana, in which country, which at the time had the world's largest slave population?

13> Until those Soviet republics (and East Timor) became free, what had been the only Asian country with a Christian majority?

14> Cut off from light, Lake Vostok is two miles beneath the surface of which continent?

15> Which of South Africa's three capital cities, now its legislative capital, is also a port?

### **Answers:**

1> New Zealand - The North Island and the northwest corner of the South Island are on the same plate as India and Australia, while the South Island is on the Pacific plate.

2> Berbers - Today, Berber is more of a language than an ethnic group.

3> The bell - Today, the whole clock tower is called Big Ben, although strictly speaking, the 320-foot tower is called St. Stephen's Tower and the clock itself has no real name at all.

4> Gypsies (Roma) - Historically, only the Jews have been more persecuted in Europe than were the Roma, and Hitler alone killed a half million of them.

5> Africa - There are some territorial disputes, however, that would keep all four from connecting there.

6> Grenada - This island, although half the size of New York City, provides a third of the world's nutmeg and much of its cloves and mace.

7> Colosseum - That being said, the last 'games' were held in the Coliseum in 523, but there were bullfights there in the 1300s, passion plays through the Renaissance, and a 1951 concert to commemorate the anniversary of Verdi's death.

8> Rhode Island - Johnnycake is made from unleavened cornmeal.

9> The pope - It overlooks Lake Albano. He normally lives in the Apostolic Palace, also known as the Palace of Sixtus V, in the Vatican.

10> Minnesota - It is in Minneapolis.

11> Baikal - It has so much water that this ancient lake affects the weather around it.

12> Brazil - Today, the Confederados are descended from the 20,000 rebel fugitives who moved to Brazil.

13> Philippines - About 85 percent of Filipinos are Catholic

14> Antarctica - It is beneath the spot where the coldest temperature ever was recorded.

15> Cape Town - In 1652, Dutch East India Company official Jan van Riebeeck established the first European settlement in South Africa here.

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