



Coronavirus Virtual Christmas “Run” Number 458

15th December 2020

Living rooms across Merseyside, Chester, North Wales and Julich

The Pack: Snoozanne and Mad Hatter (Hares), Compo, Cleo, Overdrive, 10secs, ET, Victim, Austin Powers, OTT, Carthief

It's taken a longer time than usual to get round to writing this trash and Christmas has been and gone in between, so my notes appear even more cryptic than usual. Overdrive (I think it was) said that his boss had sent him home, which might have been a gesture of seasonal goodwill or a hint that his P45 would be enclosed with his Christmas card. Someone commented on the ironing board visible in 10secs' picture; was it artfully arranged to give an impression of his houseproud nature the way some people had an impressive library on display? In response Carthief said that his ironing board was in his car. Well a chap needs to make sure those creases stay in his seat covers. This led to a discussion of extreme ironing in general. There was then a quick comparison of festive food and drink. Someone (history does not record who) was tucking into a mince pie cake and negroni. Cleo and Overdrive were enjoying brownies and sharing an Indulgence Chocolate Honeycomb stout. There was some reference to “Doing it orally” which I think was part of the description of the quiz; I noted that people “pricked up their ears” at this. It was around this time that we realised that Austin Powers' Christmas sweater was actually quite obscene.



We then embarked on the quiz; it was structured around the Christmas run, with photos of past occasions which provoked reminiscences and questions – Who was that? Which pub was that? Why is Snoozanne eating twice as much as Mad Hatter? etc. There was also quite a long discussion of the technical wizardry required to get Snoozanne into a photo twice, before it was realised that it was actually two photos side by side. There was a round on Christmas films, then one on Christmas facts in general, and finally a round of Christmas dingbats which were surprisingly hard. After the answers were revealed, we compared notes on the scores. Overdrive and Cleo, Austin Powers and 10secs all got 14; ET, Victim, OTT and Carthief scored 8 and Compo had 2. At least this was one quiz which Snoozanne and Mad Hatter didn't win!



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Brian Loughrey





We then compared our drinks (again). Apart from the obvious ones, OTT is drinking a sloe gin and Carthief is on whiskey, which he told us was in a CH₃ glass. 10 secs revealed why he is not a chemist by trying to claim this meant it was ammonia.

Finally, in line with tradition as can be seen in the photos at the end of the trash, the No-Lifer was revealed; as Compo, this year.



After a final communal photo we went our separate ways...

MTH3 XMAS RUN

17th December 2020

Hares: Snoozanne and Mad Hatter

Venue: Memory Lane

Meet in a carefully chosen pub



Instructions from hare(s)



Hash Flash



...and we're off



On on!

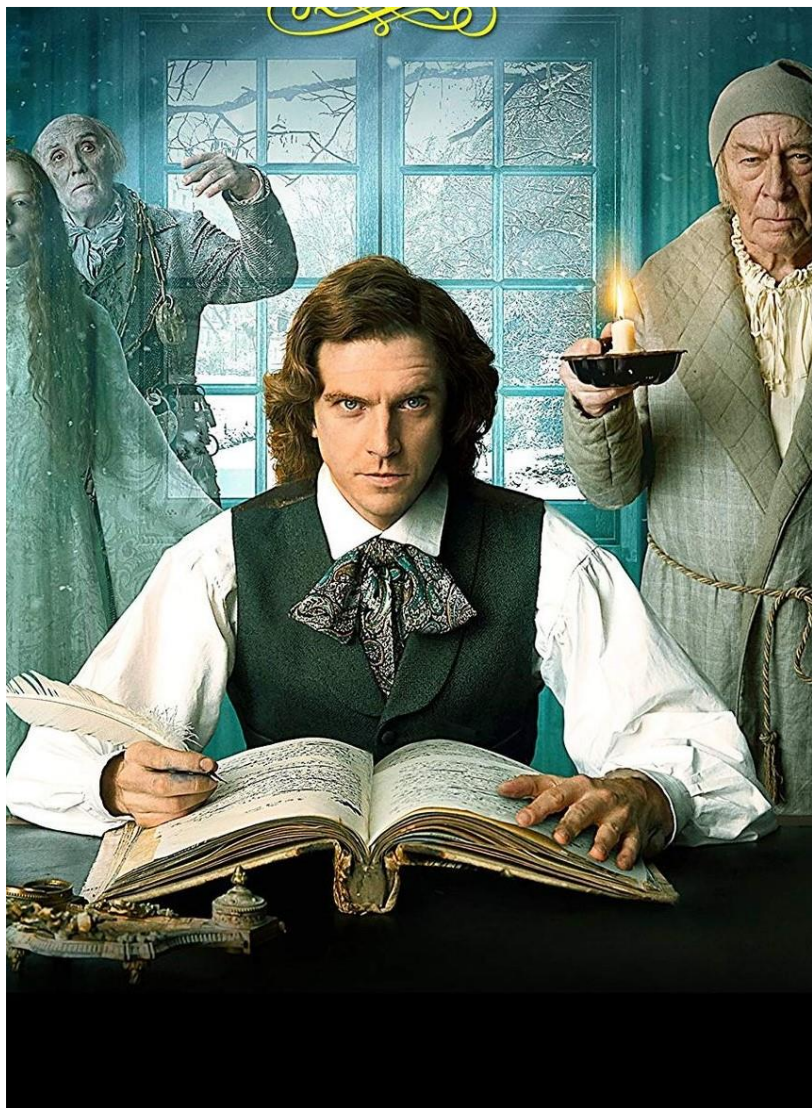




Christmas films









(same film)



Pub stop





Quiz Questions

1. What are you eating if you are enjoying 'March Bread'?
2. Which record was a Christmas number one in 1975 and 1991?
3. What animal is Snowball in George Orwell's Animal Farm?
4. In Victorian England who were popularly called robins because of their red uniforms?
5. Which pantomime character marries Alice Fitzwarren?
6. Which Christmas plant takes its name from the first US Minister to Mexico?

7. Which act besides the Beatles is the only other act to have three consecutive Christmas number one singles?
8. Bethlehem is a tiny village in which UK country?
9. Patra, the birthplace of the original Santa Claus, St Nicholas, is in which modern country?
10. If you were born on Christmas Day, what's your star sign?
11. What do American singer and actor Dean Martin, actress and singer Eartha Kitt, and Charlie Chaplin all have in common?
12. Which monarch was crowned on Christmas Day in Westminster Abbey?







Time to eat





Ding&A's

Christmas

Pres ents

Hallo Spring!
Hi summer!
Howdy Autumn!
Yo Winter!

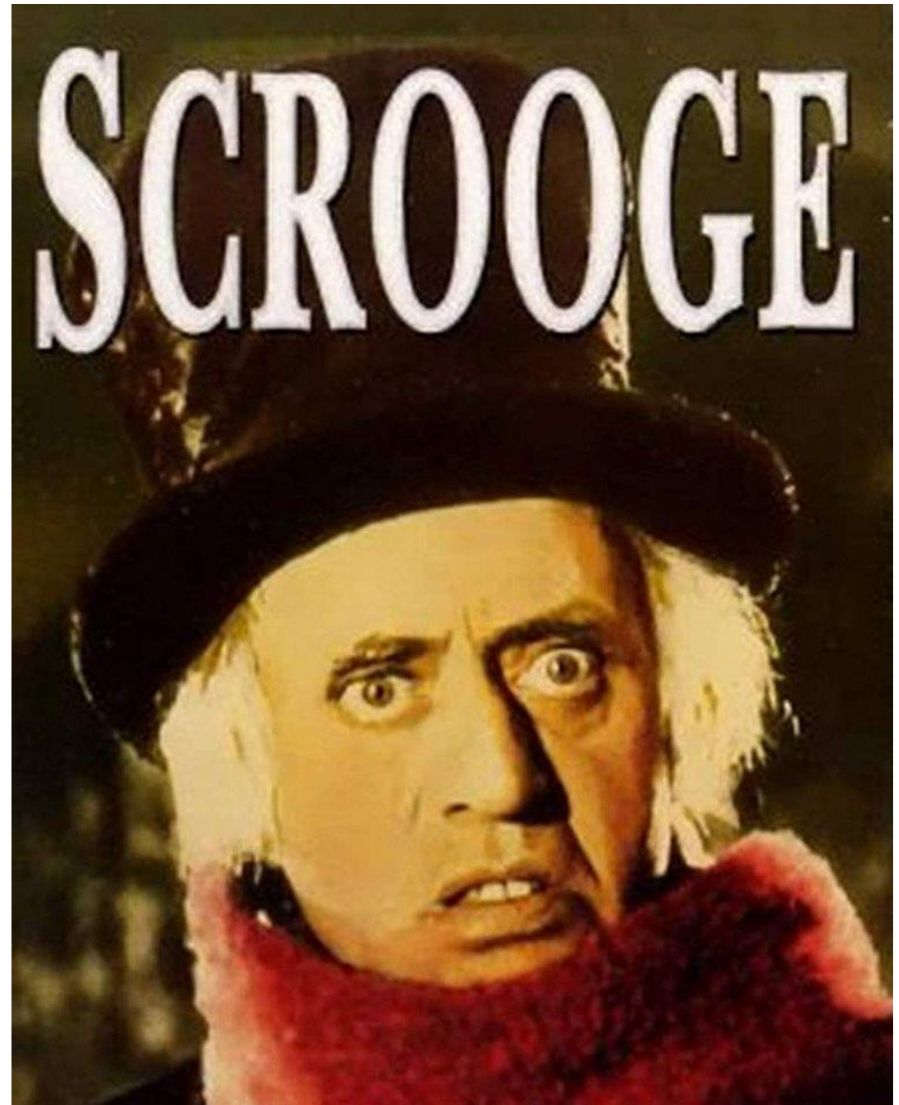
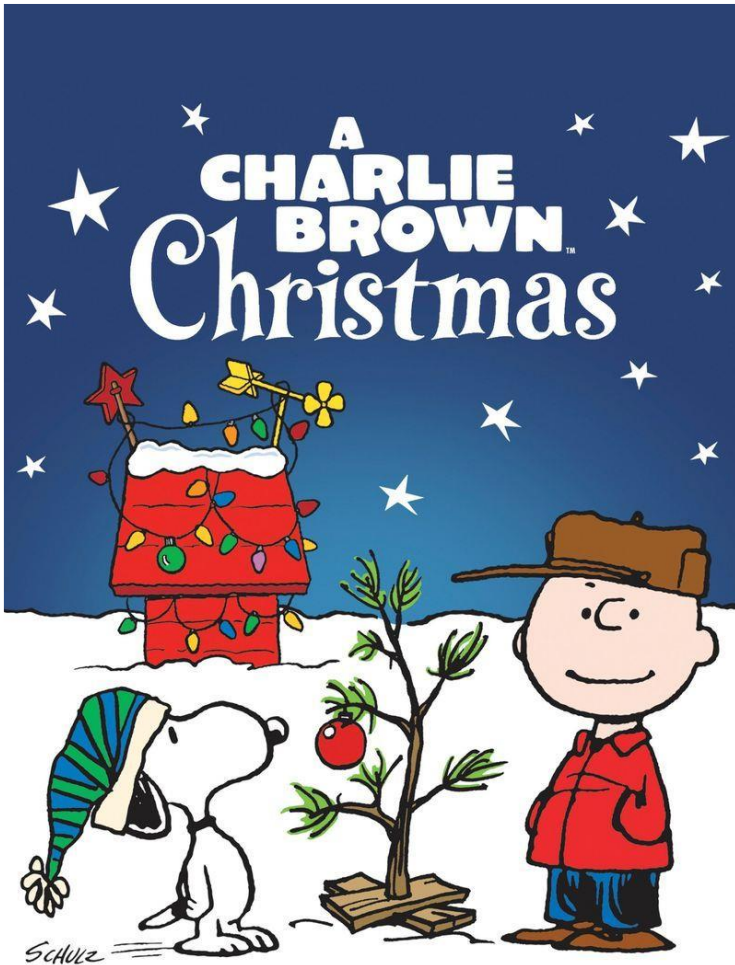
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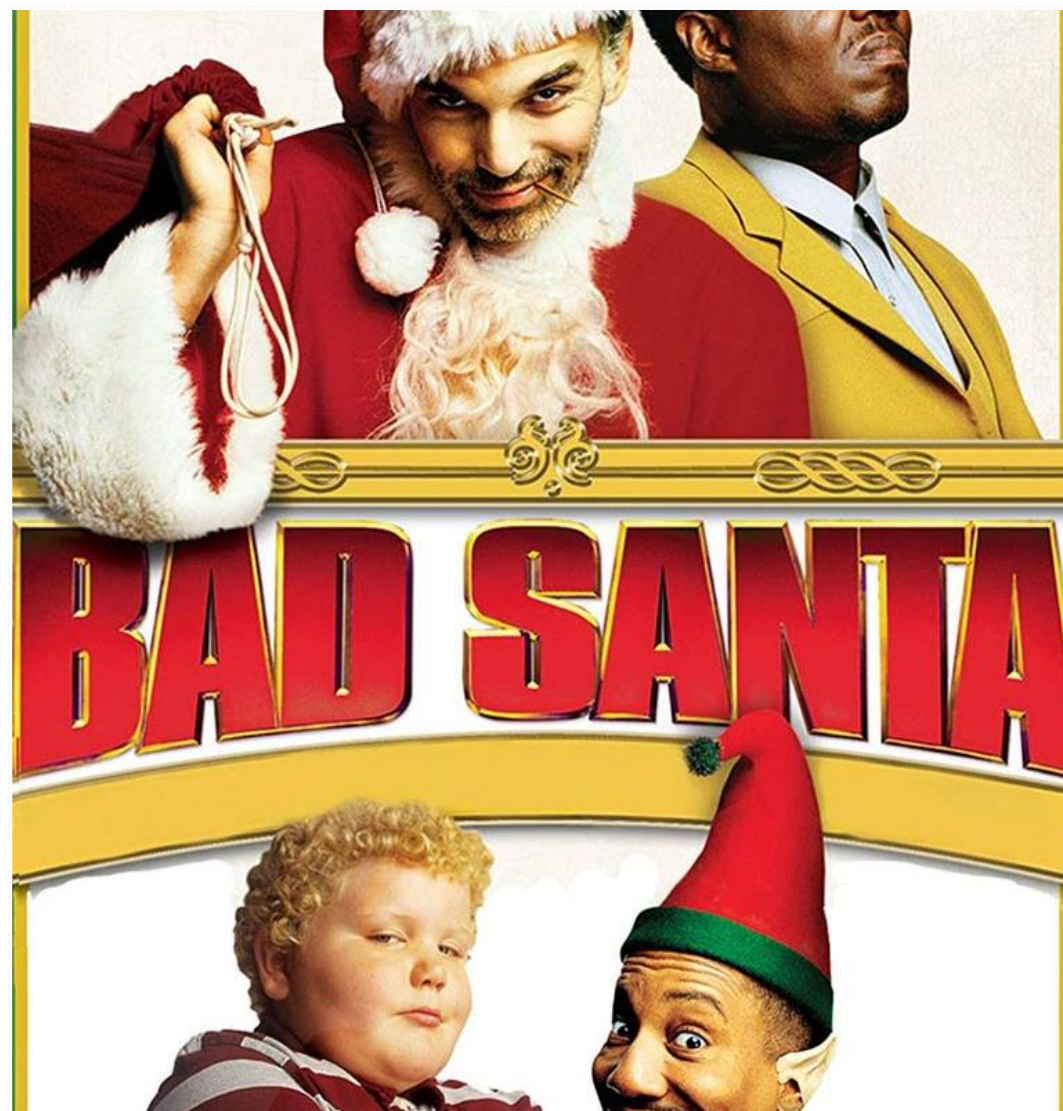
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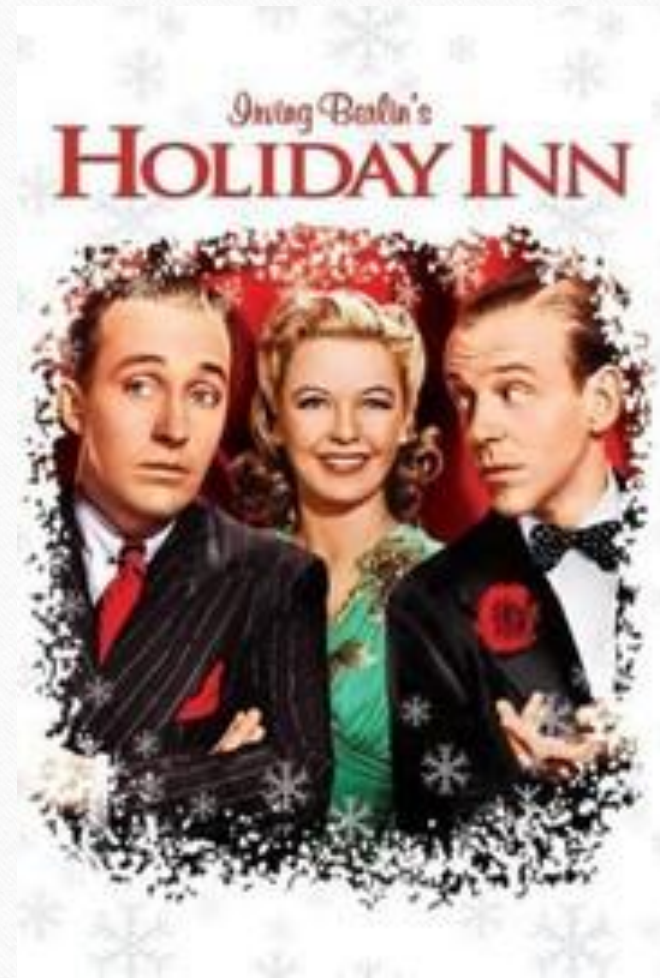


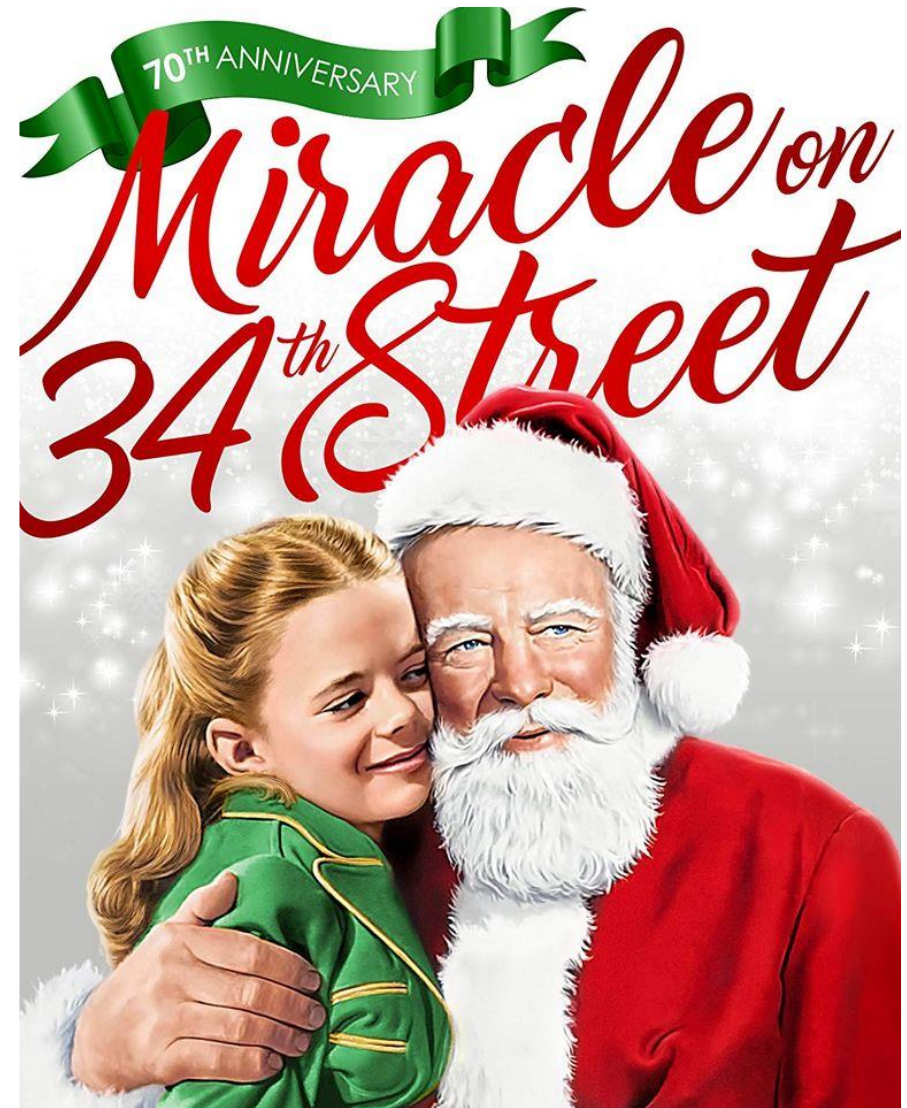
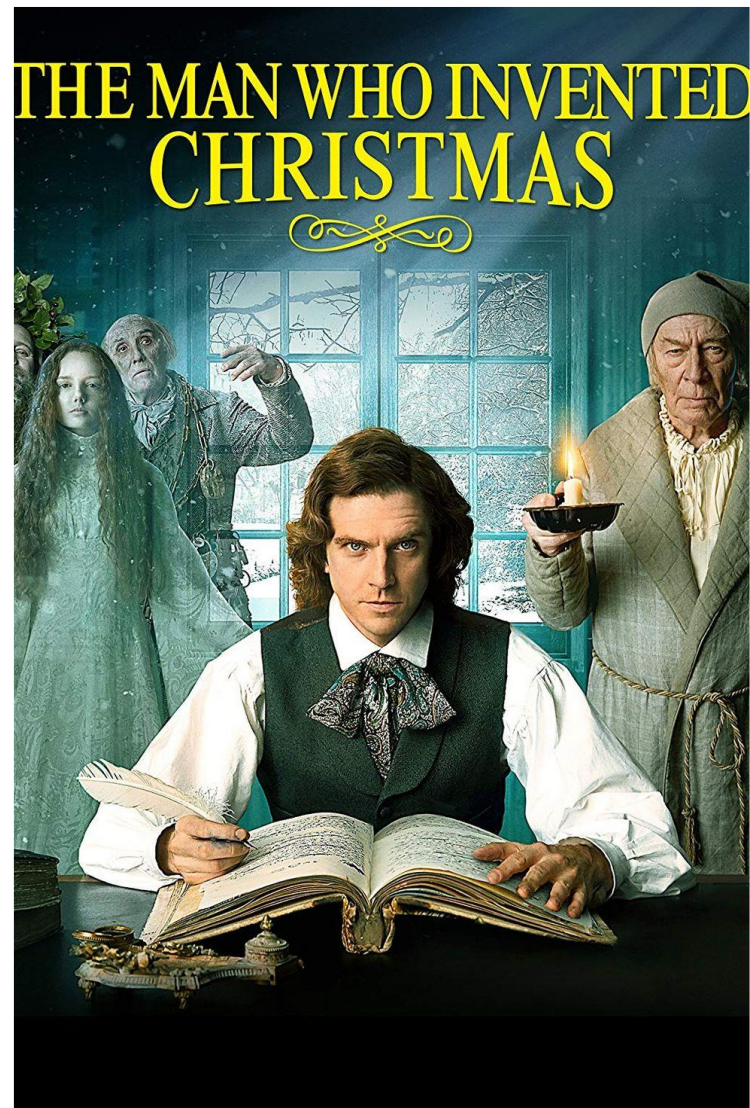
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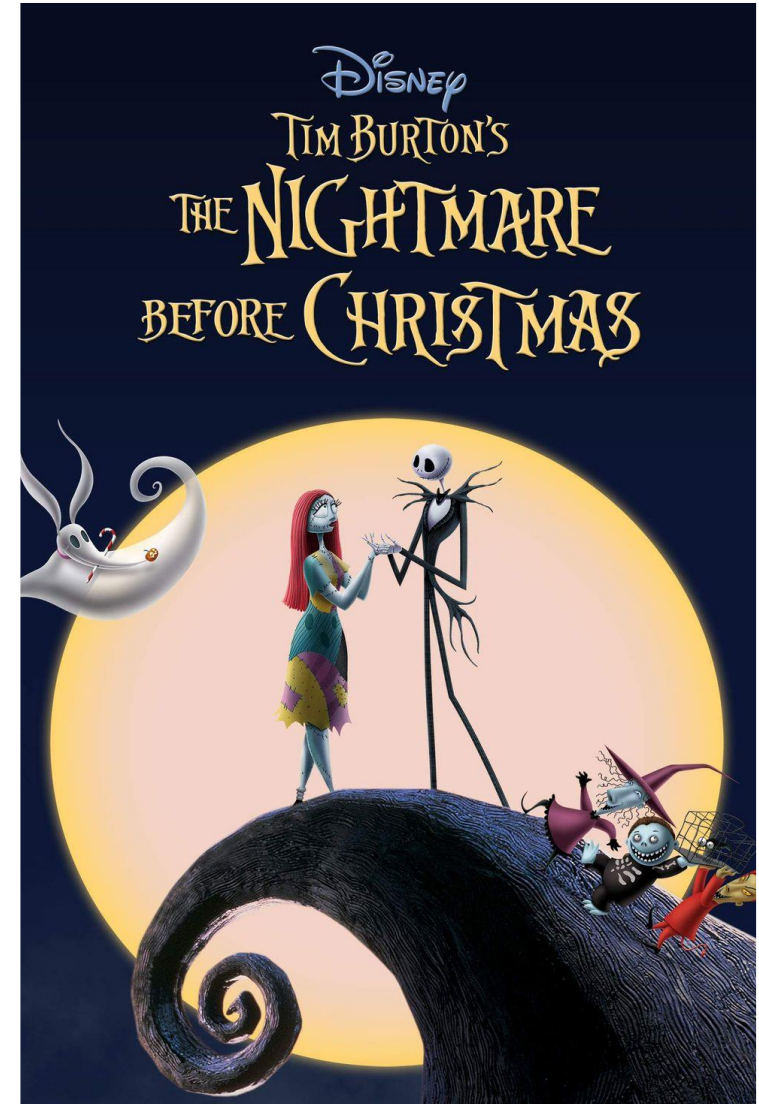




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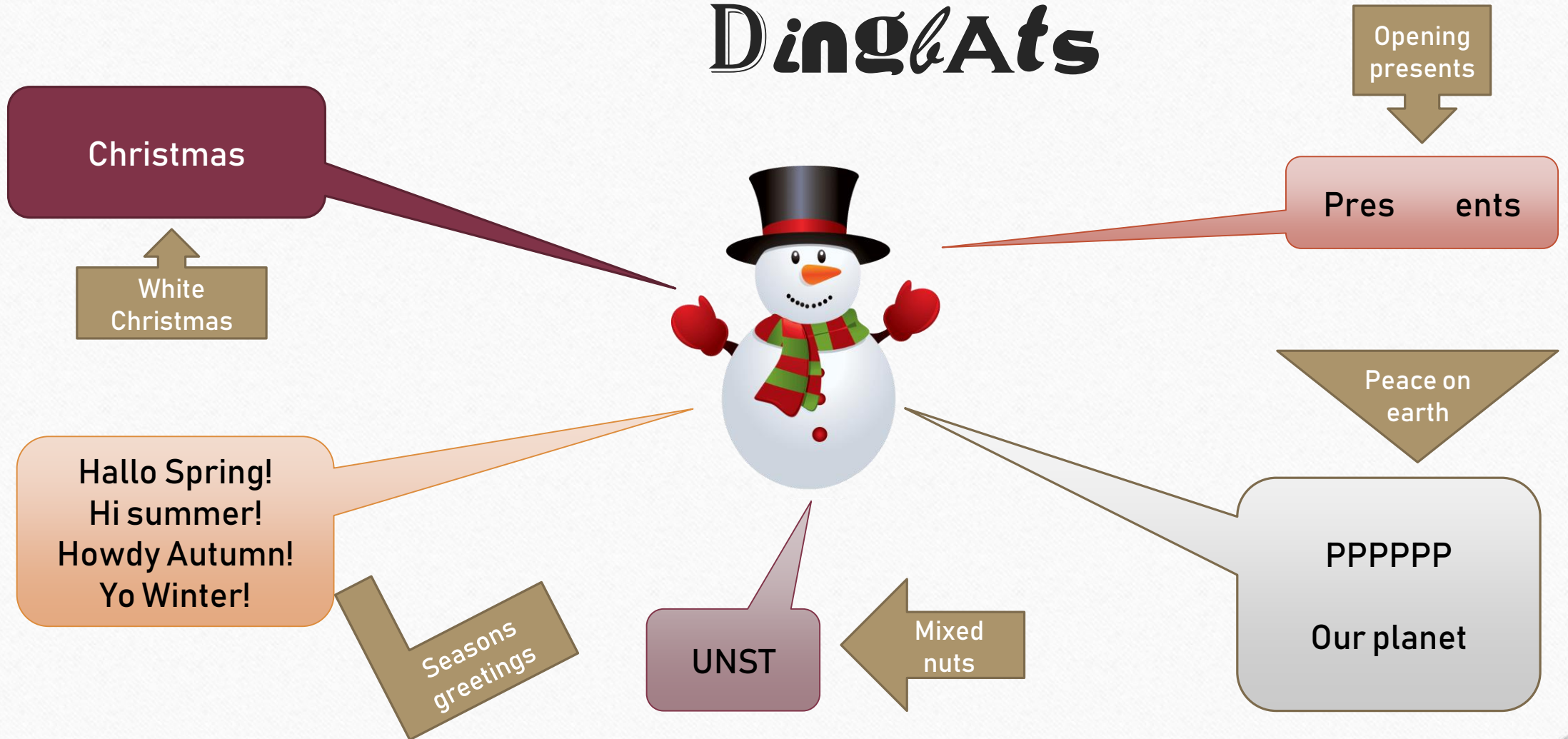




1. What are you eating if you are enjoying 'March Bread'? **Marzipan**
2. Which record was a Christmas number one in 1975 and 1991? **Bohemian Rhapsody**
3. What animal is Snowball in George Orwell's Animal Farm? **Pig**
4. In Victorian England who were popularly called robins because of their red uniforms?
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5. Which pantomime character marries Alice Fitzwarren? **Dick Whittington**
6. Which Christmas plant takes its name from the first US Minister to Mexico? **Poinsettia**

7. Which act besides the Beatles is the only other other act to have three consecutive Christmas number one singles? **Spice Girls**
8. Bethlehem is a tiny village in which UK country? **Wales (Carmarthenshire)**
9. Patra, the birthplace of the original Santa Claus, St Nicholas, is in which modern country? **Turkey**
10. If you were born on Christmas Day, what's your star sign? **Capricorn**
11. What do American singer and actor Dean Martin, actress and singer Eartha Kitt, and Charlie Chaplin all have in common? **Died on Christmas Day**
12. Which monarch was crowned on Christmas Day in Westminster Abbey? **William the Conqueror**

Ding&A's







Happy Christmas

See you in 2021