WHAT IS HOGMANAY?



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Watch the video from the YouTube channel *Explore Planet English* and decide whether these sentences are true or false.

1. Hogmanay is the Scottish word for the first day of the year.
   a) True b) False
2. Hogmanay is generally regarded as the most important Scottish holiday.
   a) True b) False
3. Hogmanay celebrations take place on 31st December and 1st January.
   a) True b) False
4. The second of January is a bank holiday in Scotland.
   a) True b) False
5. Hogmanay is only celebrated in Scotland.
   a) True b) False
6. The origins of Hogmanay celebrations are uncertain.
   a) True b) False
7. Some historians say that Mary, Queen of Scots, brought the tradition from Italy to Scotland in 16th century.
   a) True b) False
8. Christmas was outlawed in Scotland in 1640 and it was illegal for nearly 400 years.
   a) True b) False
9. Christmas became an official public holiday in Scotland in 1948.
   a) True b) False
10. The New Year Festival became a more important holiday than Christmas in Scotland.
    a) True b) False
11. Scottish people exchange gifts and visit their friends and neighbours on Hogmanay.
    a) True b) False
12. The most widespread custom in Scotland is the practice of first footing.
    a) True b) False
13. Black bun is a type of bread which is eaten in Scotland on Hogmanay.
    a) True b) False
14. If the first foot is a tall fair-haired man, it is said to bring extra luck.
    a) True b) False
15. The Hogmanay custom of singing "Auld Lang Syne" is a popular New Year's tradition in English-speaking countries.
    a) True b) False
16. "Auld Lang Syne" is a Scottish poem by Robert Burns which remembers lost friends and family.
    a) True b) False
17. People usually sing "Auld Lang Syne" at midnight with their arms crossed and hands joined.
    a) True b) False
18. The "Loony Dook" is associated with the Hogmanay celebrations in Glasgow.
    a) True b) False
19. Scottish people clean the house from top to bottom in preparation for Hogmanay.
    a) True b) False
20. The Edinburgh Hogmanay celebrations are among the largest in the world.
    a) True b) False

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