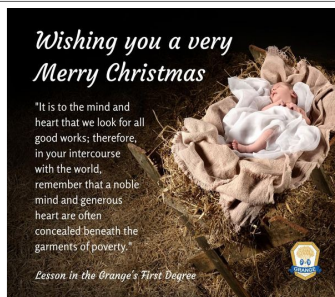


December Calendar Highlights & Quiz ~ by Kristin Paulson, MA State Lecturer

| PRESIDENT ~ [1,2,3s] | PRESIDENTIAL ACHIEVEMENTS~ [A,B,Cs] | 1,2,3s] | A,B,Cs |
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| 35] JOHN F KENNEDY | A] Created Departments of Education, Energy, & FEMA. Won Nobel Prize. | 35] JFK | |
| 36] LYNDON JOHNSON | B] 1st female Sec. of State. 1st balance US Budget in 30 yrs. New strict welfare Rules. | 36] LJ | |
| 37] RICHARD NIXON | C] 1st female Supreme Ct. Justice. Largest Tax cut in US, & cut gov. social programs. | 37] RN | |
| 38] GERALD FORD | D] American Rescue Plan, joined World Health Org & Paris Agreement | 38] GF | |
| 39] JIMMY CARTER | E] Equal Pay Act. Only President to win Pulitzer Prize for his Book. | 39] JC | |
| 40] RONALD REAGAN | F] Title IX, Endangered Species Act. 1st to visit all 50 US States, Russia, & China. | 40] RR | |
| 41] GEORGE H.W. BUSH | G] No Child Left Behind Act. Created Homeland Security Dpt. 1st W.H. Menorah | 41] GHWB | |
| 42] BILL CLINTON | H] Tax Cuts & Jobs Act, VA Choice Act, 1st Step Act [criminal justice reform] | 42] BC | |
| 43] GEORGE W. BUSH | J] 1st to visit Japan, Energy_Conservation Act. WIN policy cut inflation in half. | 43] GWB | |
| 44] BARACK OBAMA | K] American Disability, Clean Air, Civil Rights Acts [Employees rights]. | 44] BO | |
| 45] DONALD TRUMP | L] 1st Black Supreme Ct. Justice & Cabinet member. | 45] DT | |
| 46] JOSEPH BIDEN | M] Affordable Care, Hunger-Free, & Recovery Acts. | 46] JB | |

Sources: <https://www.potus.com/presidential-facts/> www.history.com/topics/us-presidents <https://quizlet.com/74743652/us-presidents-and-their-accomplishments-flash-cards/>



Wishing you a very Merry Christmas

"It is to the mind and heart that we look for all good works; therefore, in your intercourse with the world, remember that a noble mind and generous heart are often concealed beneath the garments of poverty."

Lesson in the Grange's First Degree

<https://www.nationalgrange.org/>

December is Universal Month for Human Rights. December's 2nd week is Christmas Bird Count. December was the 10th Roman Calendar month & is derived from a Latin word, decem, meaning 10. December Info: Flower: Holly & Narcissus; Birthstone: Turquoise; & Full Cold Moon: Dec. 18th.

Quotes by famous people born in Dec. - Eli Whitney [MA B:12.08.1765] ***"One of my primary objects is to form the tools, so the tools themselves shall fashion the work."*** Emily Dickinson [MA B:12.10.1830] ***"Truth is so rare, that it is delightful to tell it"*** Paul Revere [MA B:12.21.1734] ***"No matter what you do, you will never run away from you."*** Clara Barton [MA B:12.25.1821] ***"While our soldiers can stand & fight, I can stand & feed & nurse them."*** Walt Disney [B:12.05.1901] ***"If you can dream it, you can do it"*** Woodrow Wilson [B:12.28.1856] ***"Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together."***

Sources: www.thefamouspeople.com www.brainyquote.com <https://www.ranker.com/list/famous-people-from-massachusetts/reference>

| Date | Name of Event | Description | Event Type |
|----------|--------------------------|---|-------------------|
| 12/01/21 | Rosa Parks Day | In 1955, Rosa refused to give her "Colored seat" to a white person & was fined \$10 in court! | National Day |
| 12/02/21 | Abolition of Slavery Day | Abolition of Slavery Day established by UN in 1949 Resolution 317(IV) www.un.org | International Day |
| 12/04/21 | Birth of National Grange | 53rd Anniversary of Grange: https://www.nationalgrange.org/about-us/history/ | Grange Event |
| 12/05/21 | World Soil Day | This encourages all to improve soil health & Stop Erosion. www.fao.org/world-soil-day/en/ | International Day |
| 12/06/21 | St. Nicholas Day | 3rd-century saint is an inspiration for modern-day Santa Claus; he gave money to the poor. | Religious Day |
| 12/06/21 | Hanukkah [11.28-12.6] | Festival of Lights: Last of 8 days of Menorah lighting, prayers, food. Temple re-dedication | Jewish Holiday |
| 12/08/21 | Bodhi Day | Enlightenment of Buddha under a Bodhi tree 2500 years ago. | Buddhist Holiday |
| 12/10/21 | Human Rights Day | In 1948, UN Declaration of Human Rights states: all humans are born free and equal. | International Day |
| 12/11/21 | UNICEF Birthday | U.N. International Children Emergency Fund began in 1946, to help kids worldwide | International Day |
| 12/13/21 | National Guard Birthday | Oldest military unit in the US, the Massachusetts Court established Militia on 12/13/1636 | National Event |
| 12/17/21 | Winter Solstice | 1st Day of winter / Pagan & Wiccan Yule to celebrate rebirth of God & return of the light. | Religious Event |
| 12/18/21 | Wreaths Across America | Donate at MA Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Agawam www.wreathscrossamerica.org | National Event |
| 12/25/21 | Christmas Day | Annual commemoration of the birth of Jesus Christ & a National Holiday. | Christian Holiday |
| 12/26/21 | Boxing/St. Stephen Day | A charitable day to give food & Gift boxes to workers & the poor, "Good King Wenceslas." | International Day |
| 12/26/21 | Kwanzaa | Week-long celebration in USA & World, honoring African culture & the Harvest festival | Religious Event |
| 12/31/21 | New Years Eve | New Years Eve Times Square ball was 1st dropped in 1908 in New York City. | Annual Holiday |
| 12/31/21 | Ōmisoka | Japanese New Years Eve | Annual Holiday |

Sources: <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/> Match Game Answers: 35]_E, 36]_L, 37]_F, 38]_J, 39]_A, 40]_C, 41]_K, 42]_B, 43]_G, 44]_M, 45]_H, 46]_D