Agatha Christie's Birthday Party Trivia Challenge

Turn in your completed trivia challenge at the information desk. We'll give you a small prize just for completing it, and the person with the most correct answers will get to choose an Agatha Christie film to be shown at Concord Public Library in December!

1. Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple are Agatha Christie's most famous detectives, but she also created a host of other mystery solvers. Which of the following is NOT a Christie detective?
   A. Tuppence Beresford
   B. Roger Ackroyd
   C. Harley Quin
   D. Parker Pyne
2. How many murders did Miss Marple solve?
   A. 3
   B. 36
   C. 47
   D. 102
3. And how many cups of tea did she drink over the 12 novels and 20 short stories in which she appears?
   A. 22
   B. 68
   C. 143
   D. 740
4. What novel, published in 1930, introduced Miss Jane Marple?
   A. The Blue Geranium
   B. The Hound of the Baskervilles
   C. The Murder at the Vicarage
   D. The Sign of Four
5. Which Guinness world record does Christie hold?
   A. Oldest novelist to have had a book published
   B. Most murders in her novels
   C. World's bestselling novelist
   D. Novelist most frequently adapted for TV
6. Under what name did Christie write general fiction?
   A. Mary Wesley
   B. Mary Westmacott
   C. LC Fisher
   D. Georgina McCullagh
7. What was Christie's first novel?
   A. The Mysterious Affair at Styles
   B. Death on the Nile
   C. Murder for Christmas
   D. The Seven Dials Mystery
8. What happened to Christie in December 1926?
   A. She met a suave moustachioed Belgian detective who inspired the character of Hercule Poirot
   B. She disappeared for 11 days
   C. She was acclaimed by the press for solving a real-life murder in her local village
   D. She first set pen to paper
9. Agatha Christie's job during the first world war gave her knowledge that would later feed into her murder mysteries. What was the job, and what was the knowledge?
   A. As a servant in a stately home, teaching her about the life of the upper classes
   B. As a policewoman, giving her an insight into the way detectives work
   C. As a nurse, giving her a working knowledge of poisons
   D. As a sniper, teaching her about guns
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11. Christie's play The Mousetrap is the longest-running in history – how long has it been going for?
    A. 80 years
    B. 62 years
    C. 42 years
    D. 25 years

12. And what is its plot?
    A. The passengers on a train conspire to kill a fellow passenger
    B. A serial killer is on the loose in a small Devon village
    C. A murder occurs in a hotel where the guests are trapped by snow
    D. After a murder at a butler's convention, everyone is a suspect

- TIEBREAKER!
  What novel introduced Tommy and Tuppence, the investigating duo?
  A. The Mystery of the Blue Train
  B. Peril at End House
  C. Evil Under the Sun
  D. The Secret Adversary

COULD YOU BE A WINNER?

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