



1. Country Information

Who or what is Vanga?

- a) A politician
- b) A blind healer
- c) A top model
- d) A brand of pipe tobacco

2. Innovations

What did Peter Dunov "invent"?

- a) Cyrillic letters
- b) Paneurythmy
- c) The first computer
- d) The Trabant

3. Famous People

Elias Canetti was a...

- a) Mathematician and Computer scientist
- b) Jewish revolutionary
- c) Patriarch of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church
- d) Nobel Prize Winner for Literature

4. National Pride

Christo is...

- a) A Bulgarian church holiday
- b) A climatic spa in the Rila Mountains
- c) A famous Bulgarian yogurt
- d) A Bulgarian artist

5. Famous People

Who is regarded as the "Father of the Computer"?

- a) John Vincent Atanasoff
- b) Bill Gates
- c) Todor Zivkov
- d) Anton Atanas Apple

6. Public Holidays

Which holiday do Bulgarians celebrate in March?

- a) Pijo and Penda
- b) Babuschka Matrjoschka
- c) Baba Marta
- d) Marta Muller



7. Tradition

Who or what are Kukeri?

- a) Old men who scare children
- b) Young men who chase away evil spirits
- c) Bulgarian cattle drovers
- d) Bulgarian pastry

8. Tradition

What is the central focus of the *Nestinarstvo* celebration?

- a) Children
- b) Spring
- c) Wedding
- d) Fire

9. Sights

How is the fortress next to the Danube close to the town Vidin called?

- a) Opa Vladimir
- b) Baba Vida
- c) Aunt Marta
- d) Uncle Petur

10. Lifestyle

How many Maybachs are registered in Bulgaria's capital Sofia?

- a) One
- b) Around ten
- c) Around twenty
- d) Around fifty

11. History

During the Ottoman rule, what was the most important location where Bulgarian culture was kept alive?

- a) Caves
- b) Cities
- c) Monasteries
- d) Schools

12. Geography

Where does the Black Sea's name come from?

- a) Greek for "Quiet Sea"
- b) Romanian for "Turbulent Sea"
- c) Russian for "Shared Sea"
- d) Persian for "Northern Sea"



13. Food and Drink

Which of these is an especially typical spice in Bulgaria?

- a) Chili
- b) Basil
- c) Chubritza
- d) Bay leaves

14. Geography

How many people live in the capital Sofia?

- a) 500,000
- b) ca. 1.2 million
- c) ca. 2 million
- d) ca. 3 million

15. Culture

Who developed the Cyrillic alphabet?

- a) A student of the Saints Cyril and Methodius
- b) Paisij of Chilandar
- c) Tsar Simeon the Great
- d) The Great Moravian prince Rastislav

16. Literature

Which was the most influential book in Bulgaria during the European enlightenment?

- a) The Bible
- b) The first Bulgarian constitution
- c) The Slavic-Bulgarian history
- d) The collected works of Ivan Vazov

17. Sport

What was the Bulgarian national soccer team's greatest success?

- a) Vice European Champion in 1992
- b) Eastern Bloc Champion in 1984
- c) Silver Medal at the Olympic Games in 1988
- d) Semi-final in the 1994 World Championship

18. Cultural Characteristics

Which of these gestures is a sign of approval?

- a) A nod
- b) Shake of the head
- c) Hand on the chest
- d) Blinking twice



19. Music

Where did the Bulgarian composer Pancho Vladigerov write his famous "Rhapsody Vardar"?

- a) Sofia
- b) Moscow
- c) Berlin
- d) Vienna

20. Music

Which Bulgarian song is the one furthest away from home?

- a) Tischina on a weather station in Antarctica
- b) Ah, moreto on the nuclear submarine "Sofia"
- c) Izlel e Deljo Haidutin on board of the spacecrafts Voyager I & II
- d) Na vseki kilometur on the Mt. Everest, left by a Bulgarian mountaineer

21. Economy

Before the fall of the Communist Regime in 1989, Bulgaria, within the Eastern bloc, was the largest producer of...

- a) Doilies
- b) Wine
- c) Hard- and software
- d) Nuclear devices

22. Food and Drink

Which of these drinks is a traditional beverage in Bulgaria?

- a) Rum
- b) Vodka
- c) Cognac
- d) Plum schnapps

23. Economy

What were the main export goods from Bulgaria during WW II?

- a) Crude oil and potatoes
- b) Clothing and produce
- c) Rose oil and tobacco
- d) Iron and steel

24. Politics

What kind of government does Bulgaria have?

- a) Presidential system
- b) Semi-presidential system
- c) Constitutional monarchy
- d) Parliamentary system



25. Medicine

What is a Bulgarian household remedy for a bad hangover?

- a) Yoghurt with mustard and red pepper
- b) Pickled sheep's tongue on a slice of bread
- c) Sour calves' brain with honey
- d) Innards soup with garlic, vinegar and paprika pepper

26. Geology

How many mineral springs can be found in Bulgaria?

- a) Around 100
- b) Around 500
- c) Around 1600
- d) Around 3000

27. History

Who became the first Bulgarian tsar after the liberation of the Ottoman rule?

- a) Alexander of Battenberg
- b) Ferdinand of Coburg-Gotha
- c) Boris III
- d) Simeon II

28. Names

A Bulgarian name consists of how many parts?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four

29. School

What is the best school grade in Bulgaria?

- a) 1
- b) A
- c) 5
- d) 6

30. Geography

How long is Bulgaria's Black Sea coast?

- a) ca. 160 km
- b) ca. 380 km
- c) ca. 500 km
- d) ca. 700 km



31. Geography

How long is the Danube in Bulgaria?

- a) 471 km
- b) 850 m
- c) 750 km
- d) 157 km