

The Great Wedding Quiz - Answers

1 Why are wedding rings worn on the fourth finger?

It was thought that only this finger had a vein leading to the heart. As we now know all veins lead to the heart.

2 Who started this custom?

The Egyptians

3 What is the luckiest day of the week for a wedding?

Wednesday

4 Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue and a _____ in your shoe

Silver sixpence.

5 What is the average cost of a UK wedding?

£19,000 (it's a bit lower now!)

6 Who made white wedding dresses popular?

Queen Victoria

7 In old English what does bride mean?

Cook

8 Why does the groom stand on the right of the bride?

To keep his right arm free to protect his bride

9 Who is the Greek Goddess of marriage?

Hera

10 It's normally considered bad luck to marry in which month?

May

11 What household item is used in some traditional weddings?

Broom

12 Why is confetti thrown?

To wish wealth, happiness and fertility

13 Who made it legal, in England, for cousins to marry?

Henry VII

14 Which legal document can be changed to the married name before the wedding?

Passport

15 Who wrote the opera "The Marriage of Figaro"?

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

16 Why did Roman brides wear a veil?

To ward off the evil spirits

17 The ancient tradition of handfasting gave rise to which common marriage phrase?

Tying the knot

18 Rain on your wedding day is lucky if you are a _____?

Hindu

19 Where was it a tradition for the bride and groom to dress as each other?

Denmark

20 Why do they do this?

To fool those pesky evil spirits and demons