Pancake Quiz

1) Which two of the following are <u>not</u> a name for Pancake Day?
- ☐ Fat Tuesday
- ☐ Shrove Tuesday
- ☑ Thin-Out Tuesday
- ☐ Mardi Gras
- ☑ Midweek Mourning

2) The most famous pancake race is held at Olney, Buckinghamshire. In which year did this tradition begin?
- ☐ 1066
- ☑ 1445
- ☐ 1802
- ☐ 1914

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The contestants – traditionally women – carry a frying pan and race over a 415 yard course to the finishing line. The event is followed by a church service.

3) True or false? Male competitors of the Olney pancake race must dress up as a houwewife
Answer: True

4) Why are pancakes traditionally made on Shrove Tuesday?
- ☐ Their flatness represents the fasting of Lent
- ☐ There is an excess of eggs and milk produced at this time of year
- ☑ To use up all the rich, tasty food before Lent - during which you are meant to eat smaller amounts of more plain food

5) Which sport, other than the pancake race, is traditionally connected to Shrove Tuesday?
- ☐ Skittles
- ☑ Mob Football
- ☐ Rugby
- ☐ Mud Wrestling

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Many British towns have a history of Shrove Tuesday "mob football" games - some dating as far back as the 12th century. The practice mostly died out in the 19th century after the passing of the 1835 Highway Act, which banned football from public highways.

6) The biggest pancake ever made was cooked in Rochdale in 1994. What was its diameter?
- ☑ 15.1m
- ☐ 7.6m
- ☐ 19.7m

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Measuring 2.5cm thick, the pancake weighed in at 3 tonnes!

7) What is the height of the biggest pancake toss?
- ☐ 1.98m
- ☐ 6.3m
- ☑ 9.47m

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The record-breaking flip was made in 2010 by Dominic Cuzzacrea at Walden Galleria Mall in Cheektowaga, New York.

8) What is the record for most tosses of a pancake in 1 minute?
- ☐ 69
- ☑ 140
- ☐ 155

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The fastest flipper is Australian chef Brad Jolly, who set his record in 2012.

9) Why does Lent last for 40 days?
- ☐ Jesus said that we should repent (say sorry) 40 times in the Bible
- ☐ There are 40 different sins to say sorry for - one for each day
- ☑ Jesus spent 40 days in the desert

10) True or false? Sundays are not counted in the 40 days of Lent
Answer: True