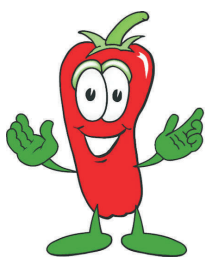




31 Trivia Questions

*in honor of
31 years of Chilimania*

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1) There are _____ (number) varieties of chili peppers grown in Mexico alone.

2) An easy question (for those who like chili peppers). What is the heat scale called?
a) Tabasco scale b) Capsaicin scale c) Scoville scale d) Kelvin scale

3) _____ (month and day) is National Hot & Spicy Food Day here in the U.S., and International Hot & Spicy Food Day is held in January.

4) What U.S. state has been growing the green chili pepper for more than 400 years?

5) Who have been dubbed pyro-gourmaniacs?

6) Where do jalapenos come from?
a) Peru b) Honduras c) Chile d) Mexico

7) One of the most common reactions to imbibing hot, fiery food is to sweat, which is referred to as _____.

8) Texas style chili does not contain what item that is included in most chilis?

9) Don't forget about _____, _____, and _____, which all fit into the hot & spicy food category. Although they don't pack the same punch as their cousins the peppers, they can be a good alternative to spice up your dinner for those who don't like or can't tolerate the heat produced by peppers.

10) Vegetarian chili typically replaces meat with _____.

11) Garlic, chilies, onions, allspice, and oregano have all been proven to _____ (two words), making food safer to consume.

12) Chili verde uses what items in lieu of beef and tomatoes?

13) _____, the chemical in peppers that makes them hot, isn't found in any other plant and is potent enough that people can identify it even when the concentration is as little as one part per million.

14) Are jalapenos always green?

15) Christopher Columbus discovered _____ (two words) when he discovered the Americas in 1493.
- 16) What is the most traditional bean used to make chili? a) Pinto bean b) Garbanzo bean c) Black bean

17) The major ingredients in _____ (two words) are cumin seed, chili peppers, oregano, salt, cayenne pepper, garlic and allspice.

18) Are chili peppers healthy? a) Yes, they lower blood pressure b) No, they dehydrate you c) Yes, they reduce the risk of getting cancer d) No, they cause stomach problems if you eat too many

19) What is the most popular spice in the world? For the most part, it is imported from India, Indonesia and Borneo. It is used in almost every dish imaginable at one time or another.

20) Add a spice into a dish that smells like mustard but tastes like bitter pepper. It is similar to saffron, (it's even known as Indian Saffron), but it is much more economical to use because it is so much cheaper. What is it?

21) If your spices seem to have lost their potency, what can you do?

22) Another variation of chili is White Chili. What the two main ingredients?

23) What U.S. city is known as the "Green Chile capital of the World"?

24) Chili is the "official" dish of what state?

25) What's the difference between Chile vs. Chili Powder?


26) A teaspoon of red chili powder meets the recommended daily allowance for which vitamin?

27) When is Chili Day? And why?

28) In early civilizations, the Incas, Mayans and Aztecs used chili peppers for something other than food. What was it?

29) What part of the chili pepper is the hottest part?

30) Cayenne pepper can be used for first aid. In what way?

31) How did chili, the food, get its name?
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