

Poinsettia Quiz: Trivia Questions and Answers

1. What is the scientific name of the poinsettia?

- Euphorbia pulcherrima
- Euphorbia milii
- Euphorbia dendroides

2. Poinsettia is also known as:

- The Christmas Star
- The Red Salvia
- The Ambassador Allium

3. Where is the poinsettia indigenous to?

- Mexico
- Costa Rica
- Nicaragua

4. Who introduced the poinsettia to the US?

- James Wikinson
- Joel Roberts Poinsett
- Andrew Jackson

5. The poinsettia is a shrub or small tree, typically reaching a height of:

- 3.6-9 meters
- 0.6-4 meters
- 4.6-8 meters

6. The Aztecs used the poinsettia to produce red dye and as an antipyretic medication. What is an antipyretic?

- A substance that reduce pain
- A substance that reduce fever
- A substance that reduce inflammation

7. When did the poinsettia's association with Christmas begin?

- 16th century
- 14th century
- 15th century

8. What percentage of the worldwide poinsettia market is served by the Ecke family's business?

- 70%
- 90%
- 50%

9. Which of the following is not a fungal disease of poinsettias?

- Black rot
- Crown gall
- Anthracnose

10. What bacteria is responsible for causing greasy center on poinsettias?

- Erwinia chrysanthemi*
- Agrobacterium tumefaciens*
- Pseudomonas viridiflava*

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