Turkey Trivia Questions

True or False Questions:
1. When a male turkey gets excited, his head turns from red to white and blue.
2. A turkey’s beard hangs from the bottom of its bill.
3. Wild turkeys can be found in every U.S. state except Alaska.
4. The first meal on the moon eaten by Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin included turkey.
5. Wild turkeys can run about 30 miles per hour.

Open-Ended Questions:
1. In what country were turkeys first domesticated?
2. What is the long, red, fleshy part of a turkey that runs from the forehead over the bill called?
3. Male turkey leg spurs were used by Native Americans to craft what weapon part?
4. What is a baby turkey called?
5. What can wild turkeys do that domesticated turkeys can’t?

Multiple Choice Questions:
1. Turkeys were first bred in Europe for their what?
   1. Meat
   2. Feathers
   3. Feet
   4. Bills
2. What is another name for a male turkey?
   1. Tim
   2. Gobbler
   3. Buck
   4. Turkle
3. Which holiday are roasted turkeys most associated with in Europe?
   1. Christmas
   2. Thanksgiving
   3. Easter
   4. All Saints’ Day
4. Which of the following foods is not part of a wild turkey’s diet?
   1. Insects
   2. Seeds
   3. Frog
   4. Fish

5. How many eggs does a turkey hen typically lay at once?
   1. 20-25
   2. 15-20
   3. 10-15
   4. 1-3

6. What percentage of a cooked turkey is typically dark meat?
   1. 70%
   2. 50%
   3. 30%
   4. 5%

7. Which state produces the most turkeys?
   1. Virginia
   2. Missouri
   3. Indiana
   4. Minnesota

8. How much did the heaviest turkey ever hunted weigh?
   1. 37 pounds
   2. 32 pounds
   3. 25 pounds
   4. 19 pounds

9. Which month is National Turkey Lovers Month?
   1. November
   2. June
   3. February
   4. December

10. In what state will you find the most populous town with “turkey” in the name?
    1. Louissiana
    2. North Carolina
    3. Texas
    4. New York
Turkey Trivia Answers

True or False Answers:
1. True. The bright red tones fade to white with a blue overlay.
2. False. It projects out from their breast.
3. True. Wild turkey numbers were once widely declining, but now they are abundant.
4. True. Their meal included turkey and all the typical trimmings.
5. False. They can run about 20 miles per hour.

Open-Ended Answers:
1. Pre-Columbian Indians in Mexico were likely the first.
2. It’s called a snood.
3. They were used as part of arrowheads.
4. It’s called a poult.
5. Turkeys raised commercially can’t fly.

Multiple Choice Answers:
1. B. People loved their colorful feathers and bred them for that until about 1935.
2. B. Tom and gobbler are other names for male turkeys.
3. A. Roast turkey is traditional at European Christmas dinners.
4. D. Turkeys mostly eat seeds and insects, but sometimes eat frogs and small lizards.
5. C. Ten to 15 eggs is typical, but up to 18 is not unusual.
6. C. About 70% is white meat.
7. D. They produce nearly 50 million turkeys per year.
8. A. It was shot in Kentucky and weighed 37.6 pounds.
9. A. National Turkey Lovers Day is the third Sunday in June.
10. C. Turkey, Texas has nearly 500 residents.