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## Champagne or Sham?



### How to Play

Guess whether each champagne “fact” is True or False!

1. A champagne bottle contains three times the amount of pressure as car tires.
2. Bottling champagne on a Sunday is illegal.
3. Monaco drinks more champagne than any other country.
4. You are more likely to die from a champagne-related accident than from a poisonous spider bite.
5. The longest champagne cork flight on record was 177 feet and nine inches.
6. Sommeliers in Champagne, France, may refuse to serve champagne in anything besides a flute.
7. In 19th century England, rich men polished their shoes with champagne.
8. In the 90's, SeaWorld launched a limited edition line of sparkling wine called “Shamupagne” which they quickly pulled after protests from animal rights activists.
9. There are approximately 49 million bubbles in a 750ml bottle of champagne.
10. Champagne comes from fermented red grapes
11. James Bond drinks champagne more often than Martinis.
12. Beyonce and Jay-Z have their own brand of champagne.

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13. Bill Gates owns a 256 year old bottle of champagne.
14. A monk invented champagne.
15. Divers recovered over 500 bottles of champagne from the sunken Titanic.
16. The Jean-Bretagne-Charles de La Trémoille died after accidentally impaling himself with a saber while opening a bottle of champagne.
17. Artists modeled the shape of the champagne glass off of Marie Antoinette's bosom.



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### ANSWER KEY

1. True
2. False
3. False. France and UK consume the most champagne per capita
4. True
5. True
6. False. Actually, in Champagne, most people serve the bubbly drink in white wine glasses.
7. True
8. False
9. True
10. True. While not *all* champagne comes from red grapes, some champagne originates from red grape varieties like Pinot Noir.
11. True. Though most people associate James Bond with martinis, “shaken, not stirred,” the character drinks champagne more often in movies.
12. True. The brand’s name is Armand de Brignac, and the couple brought a bottle to the 2020 Golden Globes
13. False
14. True. His name was Dom Pierre Pérignon.
15. False. However, divers did find 200-year-old bottles of champagne in a shipwreck in the Baltic Sea.
16. False
17. Trick question! While legend says that Marie Antoinette’s left breast was the inspiration for the shape of the champagne glass, there is no definitive historical proof.