Date Dash: Ireland

Welcome to Date Dash: Ireland, the board game that tests your knowledge of Irish history!

Date Dash is a multiple-choice game designed to test your knowledge of history. In Date Dash: Ireland, the goal is to be the first player to correctly answer 7 questions first. Future editions of Date Dash will add cards and topics to the game and lengthen the finish line to 14 questions, 21 questions, etc. So, save the pieces from Date Dash: Ireland and watch for future editions!

For this board game, you will need:

3 players (one question reader and two players)*
one Date Dash Calendar Board for each player
pen, pencil, marker, or crayon for each player
one set of Date Dash: Ireland Q&A cards

*for more than 3 players, see variation at end of instructions

Set up:
On heavy cardstock, print the calendar board for each player. Also on heavy cardstock, print one sheet of Q&A cards. Cut the Q&A cards apart and shuffle them. Choose one player to read the questions throughout the game. Place the Q&A cards face down in front of the reader. Choose whether you will play Date Dash Level 1 or Date Dash Level 2. (Date Dash Level 1 tests the players' general knowledge of history. Example: Christopher Columbus discovered the New World in: 1192, **1492**, or 1992. Date Dash Level 2 tests the players' specific knowledge of history. Example: Christopher Columbus discovered the New World in: 1490, **1492**, or 1496.) The correct answer is bolded.

Rules of Play:
The reader draws the top card from the Q&A stack and reads the question to the player on his/her left. If the player correctly answers the question, the player marks a dash on the first date on the game board and the turn ends. If the player answers incorrectly, the turn is over and the reader replaces the card on the bottom of the stack, without revealing the correct answer. The reader then asks the second player the question from the next card in the Q&A stack.

Variation for More Than 3 Players:
If more than 3 players wish to play at one time, one player will be the reader and all other players will take part in each turn. The reader will read the question and then have each player write down his/her answer on a slip of paper. Once everyone has written down an answer, reveal the correct answer. Each player who has answered correctly can mark off a day on his/her calendar board. This variation allows for the possibility of a tied game.

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Variation for Two Players:

Both players will need a Date Dash Calendar Board. Each player will take a turn at being the reader. The first reader will draw the top card and ask the question to the other player. If the player answers correctly, they will put a dash on the first space of their calendar board and their turn is over. If they answer incorrectly, their turn is over. In either case, the card is laid aside.

Then, the second player will draw the next card and ask the first player the question. Play continues in this way, with each person alternating between reader and player, until someone reaches 7 correct answers or all of the cards have been used. If no one reaches 7 correct answers before the pile of cards is finished, the player with the most questions answered correctly wins!

Watch for the next edition of Date Dash, and watch the length of the game—and your knowledge—grow!

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Date Dash: Ireland In what year did St. Patrick bring Christianity to Ireland, according to tradition? Level 1: **432**, 532, or 632 Level 2: **432,** 452, or 472	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the first Viking raid on Ireland occur? Level 1: 695, **795,** or 895 Level 2: 775, **795**, or 815
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Vikings seize the ports of Annagassan and Dublin? Level 1: 638, 738, or **838** Level 2: 788, 818, or **838**	Date Dash: Ireland In what year were the Vikings defeated at Clontarf by Brian Boru? Level 1: **1014**, 1114, or 1214 Level 2: **1014**, 1034, or 1054
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Turlough O'Connor become king of Connacht? Level 1: 1006, **1106**, or 1206 Level 2: 1086, **1106**, or 1126	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Normans, led by Robert FitzStephen, land on the southeast coast of Ireland and begin seizing territories? Level 1: 1069, 1119, or **1169** Level 2: 1129, 1149, or **1169**
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did King Henry II take control over most Irish kingdoms? Level 1: **1171**, 1271, or 1371 Level 2: **1171**, 1191, or 1211	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was a Parliament held in Kilkenny that passed laws forbidding the Vikings from adopting Irish customs? Level 1: 1266, **1366**, or 1466 Level 2: 1346, **1366**, or 1386
Date Dash: Ireland In what year was the king of England given control of lawmaking in Ireland by a parliament summoned by Edward Poyning? Level 1: 1294, 1394, or **1494** Level 2: 1454, 1474, or **1494**	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was King Henry VIII declared king of Ireland? Level 1: **1541**, 1641, or 1741 Level 2: **1541**, 1561, or 1581

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Date Dash: Ireland In what year was Trinity College of Dublin established? Level 1: 1492, **1592**, or 1692 Level 2: 1572, **1592**, or 1612	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was the Treaty of Mellifont signed? Level 1: 1503, 1553, or **1603** Level 2: 1563, 1583, or **1603**
Date Dash: Ireland In what year was the Confederation of Kilkenny formed? Level 1: **1642**, 1742, or 1842 Level 2: **1642**, 1662, or 1682	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Oliver Cromwell crush an Irish revolt against England? Level 1: 1549, **1649**, or 1749 Level 2: 1629, **1649**, or 1669
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Theobald Wolfe Tone found the Society of United Irishmen? Level 1: 1591, 1661, or **1791** Level 2: 1751, 1771, or **1791**	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Ireland become a part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland? Level 1: **1801**, 1901, or 2001 Level 2: **1801**, 1821, or 1841
Date Dash: Ireland In what year was the Royal Canal completed? Level 1: 1717, **1817**, or 1917 Level 2: 1797, **1817**, or 1837	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was Daniel O'Connell elected to the British Parliament? Level 1: 1628, 1728, or **1828** Level 2: 1788, 1808, or **1828**
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Great Irish Famine begin? Level 1: **1845**, 1895, or 1945 Level 2: **1845**, 1865, or 1885	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was the Fenian movement founded? Level 1: 1758, **1858**, or 1958 Level 2: 1838, **1858**, or 1878

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Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Isaac Butt found the home rule movement? Level 1: 1770, 1820, or **1870** Level 2: 1830, 1850, or **1870**	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Michael Davitt found the Irish National Land League? Level 1: **1879**, 1929, or 1979 Level 2: **1879**, 1899, or 1919
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Douglas Hyde and Eoin MacNeill found the Gaelic League to preserve and extend the use of the Irish language? Level 1: 1793, **1893**, or 1993 Level 2: 1873, **1893**, or 1913	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Abbey Theater in Dublin open? Level 1: 1704, 1804, or **1904** Level 2: 1864, 1884, or **1904**
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Easter Rising against British rule erupt in Dublin? Level 1: 1866, **1916**, or 1966 Level 2: 1896, **1916**, or 1936	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Ireland become a dominion of the British Commonwealth called the Irish Free State? Level 1: 1821, 1871, or **1921** Level 2: 1881, 1901, or **1921**
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did the Irish poet William Butler Yeats win the Nobel Prize in literature? Level 1: 1873, **1923**, or 1973 Level 2: 1903, **1923**, or 1943	Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Ireland declare itself a republic? Level 1: 1899, **1949**, or 1999 Level 2: 1929, **1949**, or 1969
Date Dash: Ireland In what year did Ireland join the European Community? Level 1: **1973**, 1993, or 2013 Level 2: **1973**, 1983, or 1993	Date Dash: Ireland In what year was Connemara National Park established? Level 1: 1960, **1980**, or 2000 Level 2: 1970, **1980**, or 1990

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Date Dash Calendar Board

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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