

1. What is the name of the Royal Burgh in Caithness?
2. Which place in Caithness is the most northerly part of the UK?
3. The Caithness Flag is quite new, what year was it created?
4. The World's Shortest Street lies somewhere in Caithness, what is its name?
5. How many Parishes was the County divided into?
6. One of the oldest churches of Scotland is in Caithness, what's it called?
7. Caithness Glass is well known within and without the County, what year was it first established in Wick?
8. What is the most northerly railway station in Britain?
9. Which Caithness town was known as the largest herring fishing port in Europe in the mid-19th Century?
10. The highest peak in the County stands at 2,316 ft. but what is its name?
11. Which Parish was Alexander Bain born in?
12. What were herring commonly called during the herring fishing boom?
13. What name was the Castle of Mey formerly known as?
14. Who was the Old Pulteney Distillery named after?
15. What's the name of the lucky cowrie shell found in Caithness?
16. Which fruit caused a War in Wick?
17. Who is the Patron Saint of Wick?
18. The product of which Caithness industry has been exported all over the world?
19. Which highly poisonous creature was said to live in Caithness according to Scottish folklore?
20. The Temperance movement in Wick resulted in the town being 'dry' almost twice as long as America, how long did it last?



# Caithness Quiz

## Answers

1. **Wick** (*It became a Royal Burgh in 1589*)
2. **Dunnet Head** (*John O' Groats is approx. 2 miles to the South*)
3. **2016** (*A competition was held in 2015 to design the flag*)
4. **Ebenezer Place** (*It's 2.06 metres , constructed in 1883*)
5. **10 Parishes**– Dunnet, Orlig, Halkirk, Latheron, Watten, Bower, Canisbay, Reay, Thurso, Wick.
6. **Old St. Peter's Church / St. Peter's Kirk** (*Named after the Patron Saint of Thurso*)
7. **1961** (*The Wick factory was closed in 2005*)
8. **Thurso Railway Station**
9. **Wick** (*Wick was closely followed by Fraserburgh and Lybster*)
10. **Morven**
11. **Watten** (*born in 1810, he was the inventor of the electric clock*)
12. **Silver Darlings**
13. **Barrogill Castle** (*The Queen Mother changed it back to its original name*)
14. **Sir William Pulteney**, founder of Pulteneytown
15. **Groatie Buckies**
16. **War of the Orange** (*Beginning with a brawl that quickly escalated over the last orange in the market*)
17. **St. Fergus**
18. **Caithness Flagstone** (*At its height, 35,363 tonnes of flagstone were produced from the quarries of Castlehill*)
19. **The Lavellan** (*Thought to be a water shrew , it's said to poison cattle over 100 feet away*)
20. **25 years** (*Many people took the light railway out to Lybster where the Movement wasn't as popular*)

