

Moycullen Local History Quiz Number Ten– Answers

We hope you enjoyed this quiz.

1. In the book '*Ruaidhrí 's Story, How Moycullen got its name*', who is Ruaidhrí?

Answer: R. O'Flaherty, writer, scholar antiquarian of international renown. The son of Hugh O'Flaherty, Chieftain of Gnobeg and Elizabeth Darcy from one of Galway's merchant families.

2. Where, in Moycullen, did Ruaidhrí live?

Answer: Moycullen Castle in the 'village' of Moycullen, located in the place now known as Homefarm or The Farm.

3. In the story which two warriors had a fight?

Answer: Uilinn and Orbsen Mac Alloid.

4. What did the Tuatha de Danann look like?

Answer: They were tall, slim and powerful with red or blond hair. Their eyes were either green or blue and their skin was the palest white.

5. What four treasures did the Tuatha de Danann bring with them to Ireland?

Answer: They brought:-

- I. The 'Lia Fáil', the stone of virtue or the stone of destiny.
- II. The Sword of Light.
- III. The Spear of Victory.
- IV. The Cauldron.

6. What was the benefit of the fourth treasure?

Answer: No-one ever went away from it (the Cauldron) feeling hungry or unsatisfied.

7. What group ruled Ireland when the Tuatha de Danann arrived?

Answer: The Fir Bolg.

8. By what name was Orbsen Mac Alloid commonly known?

Answer: Manannan Mac Lir or Manannan.

9. Orbsen had many magical possessions, one was Aonbarr, who, or what, was it?

Answer: His horse.

10. Who was the grandson of Nuada of the Silver Hand and eventually gave his name to Moycullen?

Answer: Uilinn.

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