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1. In what year was the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn founded in London by Westcott, Woodman, and Mathers?

- A) 1875
- B) 1888**
- C) 1899
- D) 1904

2. Helena Blavatsky, a prominent figure in modern occultism, published her seminal work 'The Secret Doctrine' in which year?

- A) 1877
- B) 1881
- C) 1888**
- D) 1893

3. A standard Rider-Waite-Smith Tarot deck, first published in December 1909, contains exactly how many cards?

- A) 22
- B) 56
- C) 72
- D) 78**

4. In which year did Aleister Crowley claim to have received the text of 'The Book of the Law' (Liber AL vel Legis) in Cairo?

- A) 1898
- B) 1904**
- C) 1912
- D) 1920

5. In the system of Kabbalah used by Western occultists, how many Sephirot are traditionally depicted on the Tree of Life (excluding Da'at)?

- A) 7
- B) 10**
- C) 12
- D) 22

6. Which Austrian industrialist is credited with founding the Ordo Templi Orientis (OTO) around 1895?

A) Aleister Crowley

B) Carl Kellner

C) Theodor Reuss

D) Franz Hartmann

7. The 'Malleus Maleficarum', a famous treatise on the prosecution of witches, was first published in which year?

A) 1450

B) 1486

C) 1517

D) 1590

8. Heinrich Cornelius Agrippa published his influential 'Three Books of Occult Philosophy' in which year?

A) 1510

B) 1533

C) 1555

D) 1588