

# Historical Milestones in Parapsychology

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**1. Which university established the first endowed chair in parapsychology in the United States in 1930?**

- A) Harvard University
- B) Duke University
- C) Stanford University
- D) Yale University

**2. Who is considered the founder of the Duke Parapsychology Laboratory, where he coined the term 'extrasensory perception' (ESP)?**

- A) J.B. Rhine
- B) William James
- C) Frederic Myers
- D) Hans Bender

**3. The Society for Psychical Research (SPR), which aimed to investigate claims of telepathy and mediumship, was founded in which city in 1882?**

- A) New York
- B) Paris
- C) London
- D) Vienna

**4. What was the primary focus of the U.S. government-funded 'Stargate Project' active from the 1970s to 1995?**

- A) Telekinesis testing
- B) Remote viewing
- C) Near-death experiences
- D) Poltergeist documentation

**5. In 1969, which major scientific organization admitted the Parapsychological Association as an affiliated member?**

- A) The Royal Society
- B) The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
- C) The National Academy of Sciences
- D) The World Health Organization

**6. What device did J.B. Rhine utilize in his early experiments at Duke to test for clairvoyance and telepathy?**

- A) Rorschach cards
- B) Zener cards
- C) Tarot cards
- D) Playing cards

**7. Which famous magician was a prominent skeptic who frequently debunked the claims of psychics and mediums in the 20th century?**

- A) Harry Houdini
- B) David Copperfield
- C) Penn Jillette
- D) Criss Angel

**8. The 'Ganzfeld experiment' is a technique used in parapsychology to test for what phenomenon?**

- A) Precognition
- B) Psychokinesis
- C) Telepathy
- D) Apparitions

**9. Who was the author of the 1886 seminal two-volume work 'Phantasms of the Living', which collected case studies of telepathic impressions?**

- A) Edmund Gurney
- B) Carl Jung
- C) Sigmund Freud
- D) William McDougall

**10. Which research institute in Freiburg, Germany, has been a leading center for parapsychological research since its founding in 1950?**

- A) Max Planck Institute
- B) Institut für Grenzgebiete der Psychologie und Psychohygiene (IGPP)
- C) Heidelberg University
- D) Berlin Psychical Research Center

**11. The 'Stanford Research Institute' (SRI) conducted research into remote viewing in the 1970s under the sponsorship of which agency?**

- A) NASA
- B) CIA
- C) FBI
- D) Department of Energy

**12. What is the 'Sheep-Goat Effect' in parapsychological research?**

- A) A study on animal behavior
- B) The correlation between belief in psi and experimental results
- C) The difference between auditory and visual testing
- D) A method of hypnotizing subjects

**13. Which psychologist and philosopher, a founding member of the SPR, published 'The Varieties of Religious Experience'?**

- A) William James
- B) John Dewey
- C) B.F. Skinner
- D) Abraham Maslow

**14. In 1917, what famous 'case' involving young girls and paper cut-outs fooled prominent figures including Arthur Conan Doyle?**

- A) The Amityville Horror
- B) The Cottingley Fairies
- C) The Enfield Poltergeist
- D) The Borley Rectory Haunting

**15. What phenomenon is defined in parapsychology as the movement of objects by non-physical means?**

- A) Clairvoyance
- B) Telepathy
- C) Psychokinesis
- D) Automatic writing

**16. Which British researcher is noted for his critical studies on the 'Sheep-Goat effect' and his meta-analyses of Ganzfeld studies?**

- A) Chris Carter
- B) Richard Wiseman
- C) Dean Radin
- D) Rupert Sheldrake

**17. What was the 'Harvard-Princeton football study' (1951) significant for in the context of psychological and social research?**

- A) It proved ESP existed
- B) It demonstrated how 'selective perception' influences memory
- C) It tested the effects of telepathy on athletes
- D) It measured reaction times to psychic stimuli

**18. The 1974 'Maimonides Dream Laboratory' study investigated the possibility of what?**

- A) Telepathic communication during sleep
- B) Out-of-body experiences
- C) Precognition through REM sleep
- D) Mediumship in a trance state