

Global Circus Arts Heritage

Circus Arts · Answer Key · 25 Questions

1. Which city is home to the Cirque d'Hiver, one of the oldest circus buildings in the world still in operation?

- A) Paris**
- B) London
- C) Moscow
- D) Montreal

2. The modern circus format was pioneered by Philip Astley in 1768 in which specific British city?

- A) Manchester
- B) London**
- C) Liverpool
- D) Bristol

3. The 'Great Moscow State Circus' is famously situated on which specific street in the Russian capital?

- A) Arbat Street
- B) Vernadsky Prospect**
- C) Tverskaya Street
- D) Nevsky Prospect

4. Which nation established the 'National Circus School' (École nationale de cirque) which became a global hub for contemporary circus training?

- A) France
- B) Canada**
- C) China
- D) Italy

5. The Beijing Acrobatic Troupe is historically rooted in the artistic traditions of which specific Chinese region known for its martial arts influence?

- A) Hebei**
- B) Sichuan
- C) Guangdong
- D) Shandong

6. The Roncalli Circus, noted for its historical restoration and animal-free policy, originated in which country?

- A) Austria
- B) Germany**
- C) Switzerland
- D) Belgium

7. The Flying Trapeze was invented by Jules Léotard in 1859 at which French venue?

- A) Cirque d'Été
- B) Cirque Napoléon**
- C) Cirque Olympique
- D) Cirque Medrano

8. Which Italian city hosts the annual 'Festival Internazionale del Circo d'Italia'?

- A) Rome
- B) Milan
- C) Latina**
- D) Venice

9. The 'Circus World Museum', which houses the world's largest collection of circus artifacts, is located in which U.S. state?

- A) Florida
- B) Wisconsin**
- C) California
- D) New York

10. The Cirkus Cirkör is a pioneering contemporary circus company based in which Scandinavian capital?

- A) Oslo
- B) Copenhagen
- C) Stockholm**
- D) Helsinki

11. Which legendary circus family, known for their high-wire acts, originated from the town of Wallenda in Germany?

- A) The Wallendas**
- B) The Flying Concellos
- C) The Zacchinis
- D) The Cristiani family

12. The 'Monte-Carlo International Circus Festival' was founded by Prince Rainier III in which year?

- A) 1964
- B) 1974**
- C) 1984
- D) 1994

13. Which city is the headquarters of the 'Federation Mondiale du Cirque' (World Circus Federation)?

- A) Geneva
- B) Brussels
- C) Monte Carlo**
- D) Paris

14. The 'Cirque du Soleil' had its humble beginnings in which specific Canadian province?

- A) Ontario
- B) British Columbia
- C) Quebec**
- D) Alberta

15. The traditional 'Zirkus Krone' maintains its permanent headquarters in which major German city?

- A) Berlin
- B) Hamburg
- C) Munich**
- D) Frankfurt

16. The first circus in Australia, Astley's Amphitheatre, was established in 1847 in which city?

- A) Sydney**
- B) Melbourne
- C) Adelaide
- D) Brisbane

17. Which country is home to the 'Groot Circus' tradition, which heavily influenced early 20th-century European touring circuses?

- A) Netherlands**
- B) Sweden
- C) Poland
- D) Spain

18. The 'National Institute of Circus Arts' (NICA) is located in which Australian city?

- A) Sydney
- B) Perth
- C) Melbourne**
- D) Canberra

19. The 'Escola Nacional de Circo' is a state-funded circus school located in which South American city?

- A) Buenos Aires
- B) Rio de Janeiro**
- C) Bogota
- D) Lima

20. Which country's circus tradition is recognized by UNESCO as part of its 'Intangible Cultural Heritage'?

- A) Vietnam**
- B) Thailand
- C) Japan
- D) South Korea

21. The 'Carabao' circus tradition is a unique performance style historically found in which Southeast Asian nation?

- A) Philippines**
- B) Malaysia
- C) Indonesia
- D) Vietnam

22. The 'Budapest International Circus Festival' is held at the permanent stone circus building located in which park?

- A) Margaret Island
- B) City Park (Városliget)**
- C) Kopaszi Dam
- D) Orczy Garden

23. The 'Circus Maximus', the inspiration for the modern nomenclature of the circus, was located in which ancient city?

- A) Athens
- B) Alexandria
- C) Rome**
- D) Constantinople

24. Which Spanish city is renowned for the 'Circo Price', a historic venue that has hosted circus performances since the 19th century?

A) Barcelona

B) Madrid

C) Seville

D) Valencia

25. The 'Great British Circus' tradition was heavily influenced by the seasonal migration of performers to which UK seaside town?

A) Blackpool

B) Brighton

C) Great Yarmouth

D) Skegness