

Global Circus Arts Heritage

Circus Arts · Practice Test · 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