

Board Games & Puzzles: A Knowledge Challenge

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1. In what year was the board game Monopoly first published by Parker Brothers?

- A) 1929
- B) 1935**
- C) 1940
- D) 1925

2. The original version of the game Clue (Cluedo) was invented by Anthony E. Pratt in which decade?

- A) 1920s
- B) 1930s
- C) 1940s**
- D) 1950s

3. How many unique pieces are there in a standard game of Chess, not including the board?

- A) 24
- B) 30
- C) 32**
- D) 36

4. What year did the popular tile-laying game Carcassonne first win the Spiel des Jahres award?

- A) 1999
- B) 2000
- C) 2001**
- D) 2002

5. The game Scrabble was originally invented by Alfred Mosher Butts in what year?

- A) 1931
- B) 1938**
- C) 1948
- D) 1952

6. In the game Settlers of Catan, how many resource types are there?

- A) 4
- B) 5**
- C) 6
- D) 7

7. What is the name of the inventor credited with creating the first commercially successful jigsaw puzzle in 1760?

- A) John Spilsbury**
- B) Robert Tindale
- C) Thomas L. Shaw
- D) William Addington

8. The strategy game Risk was first released in what year?

- A) 1957
- B) 1959**
- C) 1961
- D) 1963

9. How many hexagonal tiles are there in a standard base game of The Settlers of Catan (excluding the desert tile)?

- A) 18
- B) 19**
- C) 20
- D) 21

10. The game Connect Four was invented by which American inventor in 1974?

- A) Howard Lee**
- B) Marvin Glass
- C) E. G. R. Cordingley
- D) John Waddington

11. In the game Ticket to Ride, how many cities are represented on the original North American map?

- A) 35
- B) 39**
- C) 42
- D) 45

12. What year did the cooperative board game Pandemic first get released?

- A) 2007
- B) 2008**
- C) 2009
- D) 2010

13. The game Battleship, in its earliest form as a pen-and-paper game, dates back to the early 20th century. Its commercial board game version was first released in which decade?

- A) 1930s
- B) 1940s**
- C) 1950s
- D) 1960s

14. How many dots (pips) are there on a standard set of 28 dominoes?

- A) 134
- B) 168
- C) 182**
- D) 210

15. The popular dice game Yahtzee was invented by an anonymous Canadian couple in what year?

- A) 1941
- B) 1948
- C) 1956**
- D) 1961