

History, Memory, and Justice

History · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. What is described as the "true objective" of history, according to the text?

A) Moral reflection

B) Scientific method

C) Complete change

D) Varying period

2. What is a characteristic of individual memory?

A) Chronological

B) Objective

C) Collective action

D) Traumatic

3. What does the text suggest is created by collective memory?

A) Rejection of history

B) Sense of belonging

C) Pure objectivity

D) Complete erasure

4. What is "cancel culture" related to in the context of memory?

A) Historical trauma

B) Collective action

C) Objective history

D) Individual memory

5. What does the text associate with the "discourse" of 1995 concerning memory?

A) Rejection of responsibility

B) Recognition of responsibility

C) Complete revisionism

D) Objective analysis

6. What is the primary function of "plaques" or "memorials" mentioned in the text?

A) To erase the past

B) To mark paths of forced labor

C) To promote tourism

D) To forget victims

7. What is a key difference between history and memory as presented?

- A) History is always subjective, memory is objective
- B) History aims for objectivity, memory is subjective and can change**
- C) Memory is always collective, history is individual
- D) History is about trauma, memory is about facts

8. What can be a consequence of the "political use" of history and memory?

- A) Promoting objective truth
- B) Propaganda and manipulation**
- C) Preserving neutral facts
- D) Encouraging critical thinking

9. What is a function of the "school program" in relation to memory?

- A) To allow for independent memory creation
- B) To define and disseminate memory**
- C) To encourage forgetting
- D) To promote individual memory only

10. What does "comemoration" involve in relation to memory?

- A) The erasure of memories
- B) The sharing of memories (civil, strange)**
- C) The denial of collective memory
- D) The creation of false memories

11. What can happen to memory over time, according to the text?

- A) It becomes more accurate
- B) It can change**
- C) It is always forgotten
- D) It remains static

12. What is a potential issue with the "utilization of the past" for nationalistic or feminist purposes?

- A) It leads to objective historical truth
- B) It can lead to anachronism**
- C) It promotes unbiased understanding
- D) It encourages historical accuracy

13. What is a consequence of "historical revisionism"?

- A) Strengthening historical narratives
- B) Causing tension and conflict**
- C) Promoting objective truth
- D) Encouraging collective amnesia

14. What is a challenge when dealing with "collective memory" in dictatorial regimes?

- A) It is easily accessible
- B) It is often suppressed or manipulated**
- C) It is always accurate
- D) It is embraced by the population

15. What is the relationship between "justice" and "memory" in the context of historical events?

- A) They are always in conflict
- B) Memory can be a tool for justice**
- C) Justice dictates memory
- D) Memory is irrelevant to justice

16. What is a characteristic of "civilian victims" as described?

- A) They are always recorded
- B) Their existence is often ignored**
- C) They are always the perpetrators
- D) They are never part of historical events

17. What is "genocide" defined as in the text?

- A) A systematic, organized destruction of a people**
- B) A minor historical event
- C) A natural disaster
- D) A personal tragedy

18. What is the role of "historians" in relation to memory?

- A) To forget the past
- B) To research and define memory**
- C) To promote propaganda
- D) To ignore historical events

19. What does the text suggest about the "impossibility" of certain legal processes?

- A) It is always possible to prosecute**
- B) It depends on state ratification
- C) It is universally easy
- D) It requires no evidence

20. What is a consequence of "historical investigation" and the passage of time?

- A) It always leads to clear answers
- B) It can reveal Vichy-like testimonies**
- C) It erases all historical events
- D) It simplifies complex issues