

Advanced Archaeology: Global Geographical Insights

Archaeology · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. The Bronze Age site of Tello, a significant Sumerian city, is located in the alluvial plain of which major Mesopotamian river?

- A) Nile
- B) Tigris**
- C) Indus
- D) Euphrates

2. Which ancient civilization, known for its elaborate canal systems and monumental architecture, flourished in the Moche Valley of northern Peru?

- A) Inca
- B) Maya
- C) Moche**
- D) Aztec

3. The famous Göbekli Tepe, considered one of the oldest known megalithic structures, is situated in which modern-day country?

- A) Greece
- B) Turkey**
- C) Egypt
- D) Iraq

4. The sprawling archaeological complex of Angkor, the former capital of the Khmer Empire, is located in the basin of which Southeast Asian river system?

- A) Mekong**
- B) Irrawaddy
- C) Salween
- D) Chao Phraya

5. The archaeological site of Great Zimbabwe, famous for its stone enclosures, is found in the highlands of which Southern African nation?

- A) South Africa
- B) Botswana
- C) Mozambique
- D) Zimbabwe**

6. Which ancient city, a crucial hub on the Silk Road, is known for its well-preserved terracotta army and is located in China's Shaanxi Province?

- A) Beijing
- B) Xi'an**
- C) Nanjing
- D) Shanghai

7. The Paleolithic cave paintings of Lascaux, renowned for their artistry, are situated in the Dordogne region of which European country?

- A) Spain
- B) Italy
- C) France**
- D) Germany

8. The archaeological site of Skara Brae, a remarkably preserved Neolithic village, is located on which island group off the coast of Scotland?

- A) Hebrides
- B) Orkney**
- C) Shetland
- D) Isle of Man

9. The ancient city of Persepolis, the ceremonial capital of the Achaemenid Empire, is situated in the Fars Province of which modern country?

- A) Afghanistan
- B) Iran**
- C) Syria
- D) Azerbaijan

10. The earliest evidence of the Harappan civilization, part of the Indus Valley Civilization, has been found at sites like Mehrgarh, located in the foothills of the Bolan Pass in which country?

- A) India
- B) Afghanistan
- C) Pakistan**
- D) Nepal

11. The sunken city of Port Royal, known for its pirate history, was once a major English colony located off the coast of which Caribbean island?

- A) Cuba
- B) Barbados
- C) Jamaica**
- D) Hispaniola

12. The prehistoric rock-cut architecture of Ellora Caves, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is located in the Indian state of Maharashtra, carved into a basalt cliff face near which city?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Pune
- C) Aurangabad**
- D) Nagpur

13. The ancient Mayan city of Tikal, featuring massive pyramids and plazas, is situated within the Petén Basin of which Central American nation?

- A) Mexico
- B) Belize
- C) Honduras
- D) Guatemala**

14. The archaeological site of Pompeii, preserved by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, is located near the modern city of Naples in which region of Italy?

- A) Sicily
- B) Tuscany
- C) Campania**
- D) Lazio

15. The discovery of the Rosetta Stone, a key to deciphering hieroglyphs, occurred near which Egyptian deltaic branch of the Nile River?

- A) Damietta Branch
- B) Rosetta Branch**
- C) Alexandria Branch
- D) Port Said Branch

16. The ancient city of Carthage, a rival of Rome, was founded by Phoenicians and its ruins are located on the coast of modern-day Tunisia, near which capital city?

- A) Sfax
- B) Tunis**
- C) Sousse
- D) Bizerte

17. The Nazca Lines, large geoglyphs etched into the desert floor, are found in the Nazca Desert of southern Peru, a region characterized by what type of arid climate?

- A) Mediterranean
- B) Temperate Continental
- C) Arid Coastal Desert**
- D) Tropical Savanna

18. The ancient city of Palmyra, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its Roman-era colonnades and temples, is located in the Syrian desert, approximately how many kilometers northeast of Damascus?

- A) 50
- B) 120
- C) 210**
- D) 350

19. The Terracotta Army was discovered near the tomb of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, in which province, known for its historical significance?

- A) Hebei
- B) Shanxi
- C) Shaanxi**
- D) Gansu

20. The archaeological site of Leptis Magna, a prominent Roman city in North Africa, is situated on the Mediterranean coast of which modern country?

- A) Algeria
- B) Morocco
- C) Tunisia
- D) Libya**