

Easy American History Facts for Kids

American History · Practice Test · 10 Questions

1. Who is often credited with arriving in the Americas in 1492?

- A) Marco Polo
- B) Christopher Columbus
- C) Ferdinand Magellan
- D) Vasco da Gama

2. What was the name of the first permanent English settlement in North America, founded in 1607?

- A) Plymouth
- B) Williamsburg
- C) Jamestown
- D) Boston

3. What ship famously carried the Pilgrims to North America in 1620?

- A) The Santa Maria
- B) The Susan Constant
- C) The Mayflower
- D) The Endeavour

4. In what year did the American colonies declare independence from Great Britain?

- A) 1770
- B) 1776
- C) 1783
- D) 1787

5. Who was the first President of the United States?

- A) Thomas Jefferson
- B) Abraham Lincoln
- C) George Washington
- D) John Adams

6. Which president was responsible for the Louisiana Purchase, significantly expanding the size of the U.S.?

- A) Andrew Jackson
- B) James Monroe
- C) Thomas Jefferson
- D) John Quincy Adams

7. What major war was fought between the Union (North) and the Confederacy (South) in the United States?

- A) World War I
- B) The Revolutionary War
- C) The Civil War
- D) The War of 1812

8. Which president issued the Emancipation Proclamation, declaring most enslaved people free during the Civil War?

- A) Ulysses S. Grant
- B) Andrew Johnson
- C) Abraham Lincoln
- D) James Buchanan

9. The Statue of Liberty was a gift to the United States from which country?

- A) England
- B) Spain
- C) France
- D) Germany

10. Who is famous for inventing the practical incandescent light bulb?

- A) Alexander Graham Bell
- B) Wright Brothers
- C) Henry Ford
- D) Thomas Edison