

World History Essentials for Teens

World History · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. In what year did Christopher Columbus first arrive in the Americas?

A) 1492

B) 1502

C) 1488

D) 1510

2. How many pyramids are located at the Giza plateau in Egypt?

A) one

B) two

C) three

D) four

3. Which famous French leader was exiled to the island of Saint Helena in 1815?

A) Louis XIV

B) Napoleon Bonaparte

C) Charles de Gaulle

D) Louis XVI

4. How many years did the Hundred Years' War actually last?

A) 100

B) 105

C) 116

D) 120

5. In which year did the Berlin Wall fall, leading to the reunification of Germany?

A) 1987

B) 1989

C) 1991

D) 1993

6. Who was the first emperor of a unified China, reigning from 221 to 210 BCE?

A) Qin Shi Huang

B) Wu Zetian

C) Kublai Khan

D) Sun Yat-sen

7. How many members were originally in the United Nations when it was founded in 1945?

- A) 25
- B) 51**
- C) 75
- D) 100

8. In what year did the Titanic sink during its maiden voyage?

- A) 1910
- B) 1912**
- C) 1914
- D) 1916

9. The Magna Carta was signed in England in which year?

- A) 1066
- B) 1150
- C) 1215**
- D) 1300

10. How many wives did King Henry VIII of England have?

- A) four
- B) five
- C) six**
- D) seven

11. The Russian Revolution, which ended the Romanov dynasty, began in what year?

- A) 1905
- B) 1917**
- C) 1922
- D) 1939

12. How many continents are generally recognized in the modern world?

- A) five
- B) six
- C) seven**
- D) eight

13. Which ancient civilization built the city of Machu Picchu in the 15th century?

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

14. The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor occurred on December 7 of which year?

- A) 1939
- B) 1940
- C) 1941**
- D) 1942

15. How many years did Nelson Mandela spend in prison before being released in 1990?

- A) 17
- B) 27**
- C) 37
- D) 47

16. What is the numerical duration of the Ming Dynasty in China?

- A) 168 years
- B) 276 years**
- C) 350 years
- D) 412 years

17. The United States Declaration of Independence was adopted in which year?

- A) 1776**
- B) 1783
- C) 1789
- D) 1800

18. How many distinct voyages did Vasco da Gama lead to India?

- A) one
- B) two
- C) three**
- D) four

19. The Great Fire of London occurred in which year?

- A) 1605
- B) 1666**
- C) 1702
- D) 1720

20. How many world wars occurred in the 20th century?

- A) one
- B) two**
- C) three
- D) four