

World History Essentials for Teens

World History · Practice Test · 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