

Milestones in Science and Discovery

History Of Science · Answer Key · 12 Questions

1. Who is credited with inventing the incandescent light bulb that became commercially viable?

- A) Thomas Edison**
- B) Nikola Tesla
- C) Alexander Graham Bell
- D) Albert Einstein

2. Which scientist is famous for developing the theory of general relativity?

- A) Isaac Newton
- B) Galileo Galilei
- C) Albert Einstein**
- D) Charles Darwin

3. What did Alexander Fleming discover in 1928, marking a major breakthrough in medicine?

- A) Vaccines
- B) Penicillin**
- C) X-rays
- D) DNA structure

4. Who was the first person to walk on the Moon?

- A) Buzz Aldrin
- B) Yuri Gagarin
- C) Neil Armstrong**
- D) John Glenn

5. Which invention is attributed to Johannes Gutenberg in the 15th century?

- A) The telescope
- B) The printing press**
- C) The steam engine
- D) The compass

6. In which country were the first paper documents invented?

- A) Egypt
- B) China**
- C) Greece
- D) Italy

7. Who is known as the father of modern taxonomy for his system of naming organisms?

A) Gregor Mendel

B) Carl Linnaeus

C) Louis Pasteur

D) Robert Hooke

8. Which famous scientist formulated the three laws of motion?

A) Isaac Newton

B) Michael Faraday

C) Stephen Hawking

D) James Watt

9. What did Marie Curie discover the radioactive elements Polonium and what else?

A) Uranium

B) Radium

C) Plutonium

D) Thorium

10. Who is credited with inventing the telephone?

A) Guglielmo Marconi

B) Alexander Graham Bell

C) Thomas Edison

D) Samuel Morse

11. What was the first living creature to be sent into orbit around Earth?

A) A monkey

B) A dog

C) A mouse

D) A cat

12. Which invention allowed scientists to first observe microorganisms?

A) The compass

B) The barometer

C) The microscope

D) The thermometer