

A Journey Through Toy History

Toy History · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. What material were many of the earliest known toys, like dolls, typically made from?

- A) Plastic
- B) Metal
- C) Wood and Clay**
- D) Rubber

2. Which famous doll, created by Ruth Handler, was first introduced by Mattel in 1959?

- A) Cabbage Patch Kid
- B) Barbie**
- C) Bratz
- D) American Girl

3. The interlocking plastic building bricks known as LEGO originated in which country?

- A) USA
- B) Germany
- C) Denmark**
- D) Japan

4. The popular 'Teddy Bear' toy is named after which US President, following a hunting trip in 1902?

- A) Abraham Lincoln
- B) Theodore Roosevelt**
- C) George Washington
- D) John F. Kennedy

5. Which toy, consisting of a pre-compressed helical spring, was invented by Richard James in 1943?

- A) Yo-Yo
- B) Slinky**
- C) Hula Hoop
- D) Frisbee

6. In what year was the iconic Rubik's Cube puzzle first invented by Erno Rubik?

- A) 1950
- B) 1965
- C) 1974**
- D) 1990

7. Which toy company is famous for introducing the popular 'Hot Wheels' line of die-cast toy cars in 1968?

- A) Lego
- B) Hasbro
- C) Mattel**
- D) Playmobil

8. The first massively popular line of action figures based on a science fiction film franchise was released in 1977 for which movie?

- A) Star Trek
- B) E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial
- C) Star Wars**
- D) Alien

9. Which classic construction toy consists of wooden rods and spools that can be connected to build structures?

- A) Lincoln Logs
- B) Tinkertoys**
- C) K'nex
- D) Erector Set

10. Which ancient toy, consisting of a string wound around an axle connecting two disks, is one of the oldest known toys in the world?

- A) Spinning Top
- B) Kite
- C) Yo-Yo**
- D) Jack-in-the-Box