

Archaeological Milestones and Data

Archaeology · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. In what year did Howard Carter discover the tomb of Tutankhamun in the Valley of the Kings?

- A) 1912
- B) 1922**
- C) 1932
- D) 1942

2. The Rosetta Stone, which was instrumental in deciphering hieroglyphs, was discovered in what year?

- A) 1799**
- B) 1805
- C) 1812
- D) 1822

3. How many years ago is the Altamira cave art in Spain estimated to have been created?

- A) 5,000
- B) 15,000
- C) 36,000**
- D) 100,000

4. Who was the archaeologist that famously led the excavation of the Minoan palace at Knossos starting in 1900?

- A) Heinrich Schliemann
- B) Arthur Evans**
- C) Leonard Woolley
- D) Mortimer Wheeler

5. The Dead Sea Scrolls were first discovered by Bedouin shepherds in which year?

- A) 1935
- B) 1947**
- C) 1952
- D) 1960

6. Approximately how many years ago did the 'Lucy' (Australopithecus afarensis) specimen live?

- A) 1.2 million
- B) 3.2 million**
- C) 5.5 million
- D) 8.0 million

7. Heinrich Schliemann excavated the site of Hisarlik, which he identified as Troy, beginning in which decade?

- A) 1850s
- B) 1870s**
- C) 1890s
- D) 1910s

8. The Neolithic site of Göbekli Tepe in modern-day Turkey dates back to approximately what year BCE?

- A) 9500 BCE**
- B) 5000 BCE
- C) 2500 BCE
- D) 1000 BCE

9. How many distinct layers (strata) of occupation were identified at the site of Troy by archaeologists?

- A) 3
- B) 9**
- C) 15
- D) 22

10. Carbon-14 dating was developed by which scientist in 1949?

- A) Louis Leakey
- B) Willard Libby**
- C) Gordon Childe
- D) Flinders Petrie