

Junior Philosophy Foundations

Philosophy · Practice Test · 15 Questions

1. Who is often called the 'father of Western philosophy' because he was the teacher of Plato?

- A) Aristotle
- B) Socrates
- C) Pythagoras
- D) Heraclitus

2. Which Greek philosopher founded a school in Athens known as the Academy?

- A) Plato
- B) Epicurus
- C) Zeno
- D) Diogenes

3. What is the name of the branch of philosophy that deals specifically with the nature of knowledge and how we know what is true?

- A) Ethics
- B) Aesthetics
- C) Epistemology
- D) Logic

4. In logic, what is a series of statements intended to determine the degree of truth of another statement called?

- A) An opinion
- B) An argument
- C) A hypothesis
- D) A guess

5. Which philosopher is famous for the statement 'I think, therefore I am'?

- A) John Locke
- B) David Hume
- C) René Descartes
- D) Immanuel Kant

6. What term describes the branch of philosophy focused on the study of 'right and wrong' behavior?

- A) Ethics
- B) Metaphysics
- C) Politics
- D) Ontology

7. Which ancient philosopher was a student of Plato and later became the tutor of Alexander the Great?

- A) Socrates
- B) Aristotle
- C) Thales
- D) Democritus

8. What is the term for a logical error where a statement does not follow from the previous statements?

- A) Fallacy
- B) Paradox
- C) Syllogism
- D) Analogy

9. Which philosophical movement emphasizes that knowledge comes primarily from sensory experience?

- A) Rationalism
- B) Empiricism
- C) Stoicism
- D) Nihilism

10. What is the study of the nature of beauty and art called?

- A) Aesthetics
- B) Ethics
- C) Logic
- D) Metaphysics

11. Which famous ancient school of philosophy taught that people should be indifferent to pain and pleasure?

- A) Epicureanism
- B) Stoicism
- C) Cynicism
- D) Platonism

12. What is a 'Syllogism' in the study of logic?

- A) A type of question
- B) A structure of logical reasoning
- C) A belief in many gods
- D) A form of poetry

13. Who wrote the 'Republic', a famous work about the ideal city-state and justice?

- A) Socrates
- B) Plato
- C) Aristotle
- D) Epicurus

14. Which field of philosophy asks questions about the nature of reality and existence?

- A) Metaphysics
- B) Epistemology
- C) Ethics
- D) Logic

15. What did the philosopher Thales of Miletus propose was the primary 'stuff' of the universe?

- A) Fire
- B) Water
- C) Earth
- D) Air