

History of Robotics

Robotics · Answer Key · 12 Questions

1. Who coined the term 'robot' in his 1920 play R.U.R.?

- A) Isaac Asimov
- B) Karel Capek**
- C) George Devol
- D) Alan Turing

2. What was the name of the first industrial robot, installed at a General Motors plant in 1961?

- A) Shakey
- B) Unimate**
- C) ASIMO
- D) AIBO

3. In which decade were the 'Three Laws of Robotics' first introduced by Isaac Asimov?

- A) 1920s
- B) 1930s
- C) 1940s**
- D) 1950s

4. What was the primary function of the 'Elektro' robot displayed at the 1939 World's Fair?

- A) Surgery
- B) Walking and talking**
- C) Manufacturing cars
- D) Deep sea exploration

5. Which company released the AIBO, one of the first commercially available robotic pets, in 1999?

- A) Sony**
- B) Honda
- C) Toyota
- D) Samsung

6. Which robot, created by SRI International in the late 1960s, is considered the first mobile, intelligent robot?

- A) Roomba
- B) Shakey**
- C) Atlas
- D) Curiosity

7. What type of robot is 'ASIMO', developed by Honda and unveiled in the year 2000?

- A) Industrial arm
- B) Humanoid**
- C) Underwater drone
- D) Space probe

8. In what year did the Mars rover 'Sojourner' successfully land on Mars as part of the Pathfinder mission?

- A) 1987
- B) 1997**
- C) 2007
- D) 2017

9. What was the first programmable robotic arm developed by George Devol in 1954 called?

- A) Programmed Article Transfer**
- B) Industrial Automaton
- C) Cybernetic Arm
- D) Logic Bot

10. Which famous inventor created the 'Teleautomaton', a radio-controlled boat, in 1898?

- A) Nikola Tesla**
- B) Thomas Edison
- C) Alexander Graham Bell
- D) Guglielmo Marconi

11. Which organization launched the robotic lander 'Philae', which landed on a comet in 2014?

- A) NASA
- B) ESA**
- C) SpaceX
- D) Roscosmos

12. What is the name of the NASA robot that arrived on Mars in 2012 to investigate the Gale Crater?

- A) Curiosity**
- B) Spirit
- C) Opportunity
- D) Perseverance