

Historical Health & Human Body Facts

World History · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization was known for its detailed mummification practices, leading to some early anatomical observations?

- A) Romans
- B) Greeks
- C) Egyptians**
- D) Chinese

2. Who is often called the 'Father of Medicine' for his emphasis on observation and natural causes of disease in ancient Greece?

- A) Aristotle
- B) Plato
- C) Hippocrates**
- D) Socrates

3. Which ancient empire built extensive aqueducts and sewage systems to improve public health and sanitation?

- A) Persian Empire
- B) Greek City-States
- C) Roman Empire**
- D) Egyptian Kingdom

4. What deadly disease, caused by bacteria carried by fleas on rats, devastated Europe in the 14th century?

- A) Smallpox
- B) Cholera
- C) Black Death**
- D) Tuberculosis

5. Which Renaissance anatomist published 'De humani corporis fabrica' (On the Fabric of the Human Body), revolutionizing the study of human anatomy?

- A) Leonardo da Vinci
- B) Michelangelo
- C) Andreas Vesalius**
- D) Galileo Galilei

6. Who was the first to accurately describe the complete circulation of blood in the human body in the 17th century?

- A) Galen
- B) Paracelsus
- C) William Harvey**
- D) Edward Jenner

7. Which English physician developed the first vaccine, specifically for smallpox, in the late 18th century?

- A) Louis Pasteur
- B) Robert Koch
- C) Edward Jenner**
- D) Joseph Lister

8. Who is credited with demonstrating that microorganisms cause disease, leading to the 'germ theory' in the 19th century?

- A) Gregor Mendel
- B) Charles Darwin
- C) Louis Pasteur**
- D) Marie Curie

9. In the 19th century, what substance was famously used as one of the first effective general anesthetics for surgery?

- A) Penicillin
- B) Morphine
- C) Ether**
- D) Aspirin

10. Which nurse is known for her pioneering work in improving sanitation and hygiene in hospitals, particularly during the Crimean War?

- A) Clara Barton
- B) Mary Seacole
- C) Elizabeth Blackwell
- D) Florence Nightingale**