

East Asian Civilizations and Philosophies

History · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. Which two major civilizations are discussed in the text?

- A) China and Japan**
- B) India and China
- C) Japan and Korea
- D) Mongolia and China

2. China is known as one of the world's oldest civilizations. Along which rivers did it develop?

- A) Huang He (Yellow River) and Yangtze River**
- B) Nile River and Tigris River
- C) Ganges River and Indus River
- D) Amazon River and Mississippi River

3. Which of the following is NOT listed as a known characteristic of China?

- A) Confucianism
- B) Samurai**
- C) Paper
- D) The Great Wall

4. Japan is described as an island nation located to the east of which country?

- A) China**
- B) Korea
- C) Vietnam
- D) Mongolia

5. Which philosophy is NOT associated with Japan in the text?

- A) Shintoism
- B) Buddhism
- C) Confucianism**
- D) Bushido code

6. Who founded Confucianism?

- A) Confucius**
- B) Laozi
- C) Buddha
- D) Socrates

7. What did Confucianism emphasize?

A) Morality, respect for elders, education, loyalty, and proper behavior

- B) Living in harmony with nature
- C) The pursuit of wealth through trade
- D) Martial arts and warfare

8. Confucianism significantly shaped which aspects of Chinese society?

A) Government, education, and family values

- B) Trade and commerce
- C) Religious practices and rituals
- D) Artistic expression and music

9. Who founded Taoism (Daoism)?

A) Laozi

- B) Confucius
- C) Shakyamuni
- D) Plato

10. What did Taoism teach people to do?

A) Live in harmony with nature and follow the Tao (The Way)

- B) Conquer other nations
- C) Prioritize material possessions
- D) Engage in constant debate and argumentation

11. Which of the following are promoted by Taoism?

A) Balance, simplicity, and peace

- B) Competition and ambition
- C) Strict social hierarchies
- D) Technological advancement

12. Merchants were wealthy but ranked low in the hierarchy because they earned money from what rather than producing goods?

A) Trade

- B) Agriculture
- C) Craftsmanship
- D) Military service

13. What is the name of the river along which China's civilization developed?

A) Huang He (Yellow River)

- B) Yangtze River
- C) Mekong River
- D) Ganges River

14. Which of these inventions is attributed to China?

- A) The compass
- B) The printing press
- C) Gunpowder

D) Both A and C

15. What is the name given to the code of conduct associated with the samurai in Japan?

A) Bushido code

- B) Shogunate
- C) Zen Buddhism
- D) Feudalism

16. The text states that Japan was influenced by which civilization?

A) Chinese civilization

- B) Indian civilization
- C) Korean civilization
- D) Mongolian civilization

17. What does the 'Tao' in Taoism represent?

A) The Way

- B) Harmony
- C) Nature
- D) Simplicity

18. The imperial government of China was influenced by which philosophy?

A) Confucianism

- B) Taoism
- C) Buddhism
- D) Shintoism

19. Which of the following is a religion associated with Japan?

A) Shintoism

- B) Confucianism
- C) Taoism
- D) Buddhism

20. The concept of 'respect for elders' is a key tenet of which philosophy?

A) Confucianism

- B) Taoism
- C) Bushido
- D) Shintoism