

World History Basics for Students

World History · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization built the Great Pyramids of Giza?

- A) The Romans
- B) The Egyptians**
- C) The Greeks
- D) The Mayans

2. Who is famous for sailing across the Atlantic Ocean in 1492?

- A) Marco Polo
- B) Ferdinand Magellan
- C) Christopher Columbus**
- D) James Cook

3. Which ancient civilization is credited with creating the first form of writing called cuneiform?

- A) Mesopotamia**
- B) China
- C) India
- D) Persia

4. The Colosseum, a famous amphitheater, is located in which modern-day city?

- A) Athens
- B) Paris
- C) Rome**
- D) Madrid

5. Which wall was built in ancient China to protect the empire from northern invaders?

- A) The Berlin Wall
- B) The Great Wall**
- C) The Hadrian's Wall
- D) The Western Wall

6. Which river was essential to the growth of Ancient Egyptian civilization?

- A) The Amazon
- B) The Nile**
- C) The Mississippi
- D) The Yangtze

7. Which famous leader created a vast empire that stretched from Greece to India?

A) Alexander the Great

B) Julius Caesar

C) Genghis Khan

D) Napoleon

8. The Renaissance began in which European country?

A) France

B) Spain

C) Italy

D) Germany

9. Who was the first person to step on the Moon in 1969?

A) Buzz Aldrin

B) Yuri Gagarin

C) Neil Armstrong

D) John Glenn

10. Which ancient civilization is known for developing the democratic system of government?

A) The Spartans

B) The Athenians

C) The Egyptians

D) The Vikings

11. What was the primary purpose of the Silk Road?

A) To move water

B) To trade goods between Asia and Europe

C) To travel to the Americas

D) To build monuments

12. Which invention by Johannes Gutenberg helped spread knowledge quickly during the 15th century?

A) The telescope

B) The steam engine

C) The printing press

D) The compass

13. The Maya civilization was primarily located in which part of the world?

A) Central America

B) Northern Europe

C) Southern Africa

D) East Asia

14. Which city was the capital of the Byzantine Empire?

A) London

B) Constantinople

C) Cairo

D) Moscow

15. The Industrial Revolution began with a major change in how people did what?

A) Farmed land

B) Produced goods

C) Wrote books

D) Fought wars