

Comic Book History Essentials

Comic Book History · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which 1938 publication is widely considered the start of the 'Golden Age' of comic books?

- A) Detective Comics #27
- B) Action Comics #1**
- C) Marvel Comics #1
- D) Flash Comics #1

2. Who is credited with co-creating the character Spider-Man alongside Steve Ditko?

- A) Jack Kirby
- B) Stan Lee**
- C) Jerry Siegel
- D) Bob Kane

3. In 1954, psychologist Fredric Wertham published which book that significantly impacted the comic book industry?

- A) The Great Comic Book Scare
- B) Seduction of the Innocent**
- C) Comics and Culture
- D) The Censored Page

4. What was the primary purpose of the Comics Code Authority, established in 1954?

- A) To promote higher printing quality
- B) To implement self-censorship for content**
- C) To protect copyright holders
- D) To increase comic book pricing

5. Which company introduced the character 'Captain America' in 1941?

- A) DC Comics
- B) Timely Comics**
- C) Fawcett Comics
- D) Charlton Comics

6. Will Eisner is famous for pioneering what format of storytelling in the 1970s?

- A) The Graphic Novel**
- B) The Manga style
- C) The weekly newspaper strip
- D) The digital comic

7. Which character, debuting in 1940, was the first to have his own self-titled comic book series?

- A) Batman
- B) Superman
- C) Captain Marvel**
- D) The Flash

8. In the 1980s, which miniseries by Alan Moore is credited with deconstructing the superhero genre?

- A) The Dark Knight Returns
- B) Watchmen**
- C) Crisis on Infinite Earths
- D) Secret Wars

9. Which artist is often called the 'King of Comics' for his work on Fantastic Four and X-Men?

- A) Jack Kirby**
- B) Neal Adams
- C) Jim Lee
- D) Todd McFarlane

10. What genre of comic books became extremely popular in the early 1950s before the industry crackdown, featuring stories like 'Tales from the Crypt'?

- A) Westerns
- B) Romance
- C) Horror**
- D) Science Fiction