

Tattoo History Basics

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1. Which famous mummy, discovered in the Alps, is the oldest known human to have tattoos?

- A) King Tut
- B) Otzi the Iceman
- C) Ramses I
- D) Lindow Man

2. What is the primary method used to create traditional hand-poked tattoos?

- A) Laser removal
- B) A needle and ink
- C) A printing press
- D) Spray paint

3. The word 'tattoo' is believed to originate from the Polynesian word 'tatau', which means what?

- A) To mark
- B) To paint
- C) To hide
- D) To burn

4. In many ancient cultures, tattoos were often used to signify what?

- A) Favorite food
- B) Social status or tribal affiliation
- C) The current weather
- D) A person's height

5. During the 18th century, which explorer was responsible for introducing the word 'tattoo' to the English language after his voyages to the South Pacific?

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

6. Which invention in 1891 revolutionized tattooing by making the process faster and more precise?

- A) Electric tattoo machine
- B) Digital printer
- C) Automated brush
- D) Ink quill

7. Historically, sailors often got tattoos of what to signify they had crossed the equator?

- A) A palm tree
- B) A golden dragon
- C) A shark
- D) An anchor

8. Which of these tools was commonly used for traditional tattooing in ancient Japan?

- A) Wooden sticks
- B) Bone or metal needles
- C) Quill pens
- D) Steel stamps