

Foundations of European History

European History · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. In what year did Christopher Columbus first reach the Americas?

- A) 1492**
- B) 1500
- C) 1488
- D) 1519

2. Who was the first Roman Emperor, marking the end of the Roman Republic?

- A) Julius Caesar
- B) Nero
- C) Augustus**
- D) Constantine

3. The Magna Carta, a charter of rights, was signed in England in which year?

- A) 1066
- B) 1215**
- C) 1300
- D) 1189

4. The French Revolution began in what year?

- A) 1776
- B) 1789**
- C) 1815
- D) 1799

5. Which prominent figure led the Protestant Reformation, famously posting his Ninety-five Theses in 1517?

- A) John Calvin
- B) Huldrych Zwingli
- C) Martin Luther**
- D) Desiderius Erasmus

6. The Fall of the Bastille, a pivotal event in the French Revolution, occurred on July 14th of which year?

- A) 1789**
- B) 1792
- C) 1795
- D) 1800

7. Who was the Queen of England during the Spanish Armada's attempted invasion in 1588?

A) Mary I

B) Elizabeth I

C) Victoria

D) Anne

8. The Battle of Waterloo, which marked the final defeat of Napoleon Bonaparte, took place in what year?

A) 1805

B) 1812

C) 1815

D) 1821

9. The Renaissance is generally considered to have begun in which Italian city-state?

A) Rome

B) Venice

C) Florence

D) Milan

10. World War I officially began in what year?

A) 1914

B) 1918

C) 1939

D) 1920