

World History Adventures for Young Explorers

World History · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization is famous for building the pyramids, like the Great Pyramid of Giza?

- A) Mesopotamia
- B) Ancient Egypt**
- C) Indus Valley
- D) Ancient Greece

2. What was the name of the famous explorer who sailed across the Atlantic Ocean and reached the Americas in 1492?

- A) Ferdinand Magellan
- B) Marco Polo
- C) Christopher Columbus**
- D) Vasco da Gama

3. The Roman Empire was known for its impressive roads and aqueducts. What language did the Romans primarily speak?

- A) Greek
- B) Latin**
- C) Sanskrit
- D) Egyptian

4. Which early human invention allowed people to cook food and stay warm more easily, leading to significant changes in their lives?

- A) The wheel
- B) The printing press
- C) Fire**
- D) The plow

5. What famous ancient city in Greece is known for being the birthplace of democracy and the Olympic Games?

- A) Rome
- B) Sparta
- C) Athens**
- D) Alexandria

6. The Silk Road was a network of trade routes connecting which two major regions of the world for centuries?

A) Europe and Africa

B) Asia and Europe

C) North America and South America

D) Australia and Asia

7. What was the name of the powerful empire in Mesopotamia that created one of the earliest known writing systems, cuneiform?

A) The Persian Empire

B) The Babylonian Empire

C) The Assyrian Empire

D) The Ottoman Empire

8. Who invented the printing press in Europe around 1440, which made books much more accessible?

A) Leonardo da Vinci

B) Galileo Galilei

C) Johannes Gutenberg

D) Isaac Newton

9. Which continent was largely unexplored by Europeans until the Age of Exploration, leading to new discoveries and encounters?

A) Europe

B) Asia

C) Africa

D) North America

10. The Vikings were skilled sailors from Scandinavia. What was one of their most famous types of boats?

A) Caravel

B) Junk

C) Longship

D) Galleon

11. What ancient civilization developed advanced mathematics, including the concept of zero and a decimal system?

A) Ancient China

B) Ancient India

C) Ancient Maya

D) Ancient Rome

12. The Renaissance was a period of great artistic and intellectual rebirth. Where did it primarily begin?

- A) France
- B) England
- C) Italy**
- D) Spain

13. What large structure was built in China to defend against invasions from the north?

- A) The Colosseum
- B) The Parthenon
- C) The Great Wall**
- D) Machu Picchu

14. Who was the famous queen of Egypt who allied with Roman leaders Julius Caesar and Mark Antony?

- A) Nefertiti
- B) Hatshepsut
- C) Cleopatra**
- D) Boudica

15. What was the name of the journey that enslaved Africans were forced to take across the Atlantic Ocean to the Americas?

- A) The Grand Tour
- B) The Silk Road
- C) The Middle Passage**
- D) The Oregon Trail

16. Which ancient civilization built sophisticated cities like Tenochtitlan, which is now Mexico City?

- A) The Inca
- B) The Aztec**
- C) The Maya
- D) The Olmec

17. The Industrial Revolution, which began in the 18th century, was characterized by a shift from hand production to what?

- A) Farming
- B) Machine production**
- C) Trading
- D) Hunting and gathering

18. What was the name of the ancient empire ruled by Genghis Khan that spanned a vast part of Asia?

- A) The Roman Empire
- B) The Persian Empire
- C) The Mongol Empire**
- D) The Ottoman Empire

19. Which explorer is credited with being the first to circumnavigate the Earth, meaning they sailed all the way around it?

- A) Christopher Columbus
- B) Vasco da Gama
- C) Ferdinand Magellan**
- D) Sir Francis Drake

20. What was the primary purpose of the ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs?

- A) To write poetry
- B) To record historical events and religious beliefs**
- C) To create shopping lists
- D) To write secret messages