

Notable Firsts in Timekeeping

History Of Time · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization is credited with creating the first solar calendar consisting of 365 days?

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

2. In which month did the first human beings land on the moon during the Apollo 11 mission in 1969?

- A) May
- B) June
- C) July**
- D) August

3. Which ruler of Rome introduced the Julian calendar, which added a leap day every four years?

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

4. The Gregorian calendar, which we use today, was introduced by Pope Gregory XIII in which century?

- A) 14th century
- B) 16th century**
- C) 18th century
- D) 20th century

5. What was the first month of the original Roman calendar before it was reformed to start in January?

- A) March**
- B) April
- C) January
- D) February

6. In which month did the Wright brothers achieve the first powered, sustained, and controlled airplane flight in 1903?

- A) October
- B) November
- C) December**
- D) January

7. Which invention in the 17th century significantly improved the accuracy of tracking hours and minutes?

- A) Sundial
- B) Pendulum clock**
- C) Water clock
- D) Hourglass

8. The first international 'Earth Day' was officially celebrated globally in which month of 1970?

- A) January
- B) April**
- C) June
- D) September