

Basic History Explorer

History · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization built the Great Pyramid of Giza?

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

2. Who was the first person to step on the moon in 1969?

- A) Buzz Aldrin
- B) Yuri Gagarin
- C) Neil Armstrong**
- D) John Glenn

3. In which country would you find the historical site known as the Colosseum?

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

4. Which famous document was signed in 1215 to limit the power of the King of England?

- A) The Declaration of Independence
- B) The Constitution
- C) The Magna Carta**
- D) The Bill of Rights

5. What was the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to North America in 1620?

- A) The Santa Maria
- B) The Endeavour
- C) The Mayflower**
- D) The Beagle

6. Which ancient civilization is credited with creating the first form of writing called cuneiform?

- A) Mesopotamians**
- B) Aztecs
- C) Incas
- D) Persians

7. Who was the long-reigning British queen during the 19th century industrial expansion?

A) Queen Elizabeth I

B) Queen Victoria

C) Queen Anne

D) Queen Mary

8. Which explorer led the first expedition to circumnavigate the globe?

A) Christopher Columbus

B) Marco Polo

C) Ferdinand Magellan

D) James Cook

9. The Great Wall of China was primarily built to protect the empire from which threat?

A) Flooding

B) Nomadic invaders

C) Earthquakes

D) Trade competition

10. Which ancient empire was famous for its system of roads and its military legions?

A) The Roman Empire

B) The Mongol Empire

C) The Ottoman Empire

D) The Khmer Empire

11. Which inventor is famous for developing the light bulb and the phonograph?

A) Nikola Tesla

B) Alexander Graham Bell

C) Thomas Edison

D) Albert Einstein

12. What is the name of the period in history known for the rebirth of art, science, and learning in Europe?

A) The Middle Ages

B) The Renaissance

C) The Industrial Revolution

D) The Stone Age

13. Which country did the explorer James Cook represent when he mapped the east coast of Australia?

- A) Portugal
- B) Spain
- C) Great Britain**
- D) Netherlands

14. Who was the leader of the French forces during the Hundred Years' War who was later made a saint?

- A) Marie Antoinette
- B) Joan of Arc**
- C) Catherine de' Medici
- D) Eleanor of Aquitaine

15. The study of ancient life through the excavation of sites and analysis of artifacts is called what?

- A) Biology
- B) Archaeology**
- C) Geology
- D) Sociology