

Sports History Mastery

Sports History · Answer Key · 25 Questions

1. Which athlete was the first to win five gold medals in a single Olympic Games, achieving this feat at the 1924 Paris Olympics?

- A) Paavo Nurmi**
- B) Johnny Weissmuller
- C) Ville Ritola
- D) Duke Kahanamoku

2. The first modern Olympic Games were held in Athens in 1896. Who won the first event, the triple jump?

- A) James Connolly**
- B) Robert Garrett
- C) Thomas Curtis
- D) Ellery Clark

3. Which nation won the inaugural FIFA World Cup hosted in 1930?

- A) Brazil
- B) Argentina
- C) Uruguay**
- D) Italy

4. Who is the only boxer to win world titles in eight different weight divisions?

- A) Floyd Mayweather Jr.
- B) Manny Pacquiao**
- C) Sugar Ray Leonard
- D) Oscar De La Hoya

5. In 1954, who became the first person to run a mile in under four minutes?

- A) John Landy
- B) Roger Bannister**
- C) Wes Santee
- D) Jim Ryun

6. Which tennis player holds the record for the most Grand Slam singles titles in history (as of 2024)?

- A) Roger Federer
- B) Serena Williams
- C) Novak Djokovic**
- D) Steffi Graf

7. What was the name of the stadium where the 1936 Berlin Olympics were primarily held?

- A) Olympiastadion**
- B) Allianz Arena
- C) Signal Iduna Park
- D) Wembley Stadium

8. Which golfer won the Masters Tournament at the age of 21, becoming the youngest winner in the tournament's history?

- A) Jack Nicklaus
- B) Tiger Woods**
- C) Jordan Spieth
- D) Seve Ballesteros

9. Which team holds the record for the most consecutive NBA championships, winning eight titles in a row from 1959 to 1966?

- A) Los Angeles Lakers
- B) Chicago Bulls
- C) Boston Celtics**
- D) Golden State Warriors

10. Who was the first female athlete to win an individual Olympic gold medal in the 1900 Paris Games?

- A) Charlotte Cooper
- B) Hélène de Pourtalès
- C) Hedwig Rosenbaum
- D) Margaret Abbott**

11. Which Major League Baseball player holds the record for the most career hits with 4,256?

- A) Ty Cobb
- B) Pete Rose**
- C) Hank Aaron
- D) Stan Musial

12. In which city were the first Paralympic Games held in 1960?

- A) London
- B) Rome**
- C) Tokyo
- D) Paris

13. Which cricket player holds the record for the highest individual score in a Test match inning?

- A) Brian Lara**
- B) Matthew Hayden
- C) Don Bradman
- D) Virender Sehwag

14. Who was the first woman to swim the English Channel, doing so in 1926?

- A) Gertrude Ederle**
- B) Florence Chadwick
- C) Sybil Bauer
- D) Annette Kellerman

15. Which Formula 1 driver holds the record for the most World Championship titles, tied with Michael Schumacher at seven?

- A) Sebastian Vettel
- B) Lewis Hamilton**
- C) Ayrton Senna
- D) Alain Prost

16. The 'Miracle on Ice' occurred during the 1980 Winter Olympics. Which country did the United States defeat in the medal round?

- A) Sweden
- B) Finland
- C) Soviet Union**
- D) Czechoslovakia

17. Who is the only person to win a gold medal in both the Summer and Winter Olympics in different sports?

- A) Eddie Eagan**
- B) Lauryn Williams
- C) Ole Einar Bjørndalen
- D) Clara Hughes

18. Which cycling race was first held in 1903 as a way to increase newspaper circulation for L'Auto?

- A) Giro d'Italia
- B) Vuelta a España
- C) Tour de France**
- D) Paris-Roubaix

19. Which NFL team won the first-ever Super Bowl in 1967?

- A) Kansas City Chiefs
- B) Green Bay Packers**
- C) Dallas Cowboys
- D) Oakland Raiders

20. Who is the all-time leading goalscorer in men's international football?

- A) Lionel Messi
- B) Ali Daei
- C) Cristiano Ronaldo**
- D) Pele

21. Which country has won the most Olympic medals in the sport of Gymnastics throughout history?

- A) United States
- B) Romania
- C) Soviet Union**
- D) China

22. Who was the first player to score 100 points in a single NBA game?

- A) Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- B) Wilt Chamberlain**
- C) Bill Russell
- D) Elgin Baylor

23. In rugby, which nation has won the most Rugby World Cup titles?

- A) New Zealand**
- B) South Africa
- C) Australia
- D) England

24. Which athlete won the 'Triple Crown' of horse racing in the US most recently before American Pharoah ended the drought in 2015?

- A) Affirmed**
- B) Secretariat
- C) Seattle Slew
- D) Citation

25. What is the name of the prestigious trophy awarded annually to the winner of the NHL playoffs?

A) Vince Lombardi Trophy

B) Stanley Cup

C) Claret Jug

D) Commissioner's Trophy