

Comic Book History Essentials

Comic Book History · Answer Key · 18 Questions

1. In what year was the first issue of Action Comics, featuring the debut of Superman, published?

- A) 1935
- B) 1938**
- C) 1940
- D) 1942

2. Who is the co-creator of Spider-Man, along with Steve Ditko?

- A) Stan Lee**
- B) Jack Kirby
- C) Bob Kane
- D) Jerry Siegel

3. Batman made his first appearance in which Detective Comics issue number?

- A) Detective Comics #1
- B) Detective Comics #20
- C) Detective Comics #27**
- D) Detective Comics #50

4. Which company published the first comic book, 'Famous Funnies', in 1934?

- A) DC Comics
- B) Marvel Comics
- C) Eastern Color Printing**
- D) Dell Comics

5. In 1941, which character made their debut in All Star Comics #8?

- A) Wonder Woman**
- B) The Flash
- C) Green Lantern
- D) Aquaman

6. How many sides does a standard comic book page layout typically use to define the grid?

- A) 2
- B) 4**
- C) 6
- D) 8

7. Which writer and artist team created the Fantastic Four in 1961?

- A) Stan Lee and Jack Kirby**
- B) Joe Shuster and Jerry Siegel
- C) Bill Finger and Bob Kane
- D) Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons

8. The Comics Code Authority was established in what year to regulate comic book content?

- A) 1945
- B) 1954**
- C) 1960
- D) 1972

9. Who was the main creator behind the 1986 limited series 'Watchmen'?

- A) Frank Miller
- B) Alan Moore**
- C) Neil Gaiman
- D) Grant Morrison

10. What is the name of the publishing company that was renamed to Marvel Comics in 1961?

- A) Timely Comics**
- B) National Allied Publications
- C) Fawcett Comics
- D) Charlton Comics

11. In what year did Marvel Comics launch the X-Men series?

- A) 1958
- B) 1963**
- C) 1968
- D) 1975

12. How many original members were in the Avengers when they first appeared in 1963?

- A) 3
- B) 5**
- C) 7
- D) 9

13. The character Captain America made his debut in Captain America Comics #1 in what year?

A) 1939

B) 1941

C) 1943

D) 1945

14. Which company published the 'Tales from the Crypt' horror comics in the early 1950s?

A) EC Comics

B) DC Comics

C) Marvel Comics

D) Archie Comics

15. What issue of 'The Amazing Spider-Man' introduced the character Mary Jane Watson?

A) Issue #25

B) Issue #42

C) Issue #60

D) Issue #100

16. How many years after his debut did Batman get his own self-titled comic book series?

A) 1 year

B) 2 years

C) 5 years

D) 10 years

17. Who illustrated the original 'The Dark Knight Returns' miniseries in 1986?

A) Frank Miller

B) John Byrne

C) Jim Lee

D) Todd McFarlane

18. The first issue of 'The Incredible Hulk' was published in which year?

A) 1960

B) 1962

C) 1964

D) 1966