

Geographical and Historical Foundations of Philosophy

Philosophy · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which ancient Greek city-state, known for its strategic position on the Attica peninsula, was the primary center for the philosophical teachings of Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle?

- A) Sparta
- B) Athens**
- C) Thebes
- D) Corinth

2. In which modern-day country was the city of Königsberg located during the lifetime of Immanuel Kant, where he spent his entire academic career?

- A) Germany
- B) Poland
- C) Russia**
- D) Lithuania

3. The philosophical movement known as 'Confucianism' originated and developed primarily in the historical territory of which modern-day Asian nation?

- A) Japan
- B) South Korea
- C) Vietnam
- D) China**

4. René Descartes, often cited as the father of modern philosophy, spent a significant portion of his productive later life in which Northern European country?

- A) Netherlands
- B) Sweden**
- C) Belgium
- D) Denmark

5. The Upanishads, foundational texts of Hindu philosophy, were composed in the geographical region of the Indus and Ganges river basins, primarily within the borders of which modern-day nation?

- A) Pakistan
- B) India**
- C) Bangladesh
- D) Nepal

6. The philosophical school of Stoicism was founded by Zeno of Citium; Citium was located on which Mediterranean island?

- A) Crete
- B) Sicily
- C) Cyprus**
- D) Rhodes

7. Jean-Paul Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir were central figures of Existentialism, a movement deeply tied to the intellectual culture of which city?

- A) Berlin
- B) Paris**
- C) Vienna
- D) Rome

8. The 'Kyoto School' of philosophy, which integrated Western philosophy with Eastern religious thought, is named after a city in which country?

- A) China
- B) Japan**
- C) South Korea
- D) Thailand

9. Ibn Rushd (Averroes), a critical commentator on Aristotle, was born in Cordoba, which is located in the modern-day territory of which European country?

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

10. The 'Frankfurt School' of critical theory, which included thinkers like Theodor Adorno and Max Horkheimer, originated in which country?

- A) Germany**
- B) Austria
- C) Switzerland
- D) United States