

Global History Hard Challenges

World History · Answer Key · 12 Questions

1. In which year did the Treaty of Tordesillas, which divided newly discovered lands outside Europe between Portugal and the Crown of Castile, get signed?

- A) 1494**
- B) 1492
- C) 1501
- D) 1488

2. How many members of the First Triumvirate were there in Ancient Rome, and who were they?

- A) 2: Caesar, Pompey
- B) 3: Caesar, Pompey, Crassus**
- C) 4: Caesar, Pompey, Crassus, Cicero
- D) 3: Caesar, Octavian, Antony

3. What was the precise duration of the Hundred Years' War between the House of Plantagenet and the House of Valois?

- A) 99 years
- B) 100 years
- C) 116 years**
- D) 125 years

4. The Edict of Nantes, which granted Calvinist Protestants substantial rights in the nation of France, was issued in which year?

- A) 1572
- B) 1589
- C) 1598**
- D) 1610

5. How many separate voyages did Zheng He lead for the Ming Dynasty between 1405 and 1433?

- A) 5
- B) 7**
- C) 9
- D) 12

6. Which Byzantine Emperor oversaw the compilation of the Corpus Juris Civilis, a fundamental work in jurisprudence, completed in 534 AD?

- A) Constantine I
- B) Theodosius II
- C) Justinian I**
- D) Heraclius

7. The Tokugawa Shogunate, which ruled Japan from the Battle of Sekigahara until the Meiji Restoration, began in what year?

- A) 1600
- B) 1603**
- C) 1615
- D) 1633

8. At the height of the Mongol Empire under Kublai Khan, what was the name of the capital city he established that serves as the modern-day site of Beijing?

- A) Karakorum
- B) Sarai
- C) Khanbaliq**
- D) Tabriz

9. What was the exact year that the Umayyad Caliphate was overthrown by the Abbasid Caliphate?

- A) 661
- B) 750**
- C) 786
- D) 800

10. In the context of the French Revolution, the Tennis Court Oath was taken by members of the Third Estate on which specific date?

- A) June 20, 1789**
- B) July 14, 1789
- C) August 26, 1789
- D) September 21, 1792

11. How many distinct 'Crusader States' were established following the successful conclusion of the First Crusade?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4**
- D) 5

12. The Peace of Westphalia, which ended both the Thirty Years' War and the Eighty Years' War, was signed in which year?

A) 1618

B) 1648

C) 1659

D) 1683