

Foundations of Occult History

Occultism And Esoterica · Practice Test · 15 Questions

1. Which 16th-century figure is famous for his work on Hermeticism and the creation of the Enochian language?

- A) John Dee
- B) Aleister Crowley
- C) Eliphas Levi
- D) Franz Bardon

2. What is the name of the traditional deck of cards used in divination, typically consisting of 78 cards?

- A) Oracle
- B) Tarot
- C) Lenormand
- D) I Ching

3. The study and practice of turning base metals into gold is known as what?

- A) Astrology
- B) Numerology
- C) Alchemy
- D) Theurgy

4. Which secret society, founded in the late 19th century, was dedicated to the study of the Qabalah and ceremonial magic?

- A) The Illuminati
- B) The Rosicrucians
- C) The Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn
- D) The Freemasons

5. Which term refers to a symbolic diagram used in ritual magic to represent a spirit or deity?

- A) Sigil
- B) Mantra
- C) Talisman
- D) Amulet

6. Who authored the influential book 'The Secret Teachings of All Ages' published in 1928?

- A) Manly P. Hall
- B) Helena Blavatsky
- C) William Butler Yeats
- D) Arthur Edward Waite

7. The practice of predicting the future through the study of celestial bodies is called:

- A) Palmistry
- B) Astrology
- C) Cartomancy
- D) Geomancy

8. What is the name of the ancient Greek philosophical tradition that heavily influenced Western esotericism?

- A) Stoicism
- B) Cynicism
- C) Hermeticism
- D) Epicureanism

9. In the context of Western esotericism, what does the term 'Macrocosm' generally refer to?

- A) The human body
- B) The entire universe
- C) The underworld
- D) A singular atom

10. Which famous occultist founded the religion of Thelema?

- A) Aleister Crowley
- B) Austin Osman Spare
- C) Gerald Gardner
- D) Dion Fortune

11. What is the practice of divination by interpreting lines and patterns on the palm of the hand called?

- A) Chiromancy
- B) Hydromancy
- C) Pyromancy
- D) Aeromancy

12. Which occult group was a precursor to the modern study of Theosophy in the 19th century?

- A) The Theosophical Society
- B) The Ghost Club
- C) The Society for Psychical Research
- D) The Golden Dawn

13. The 'Tree of Life' is a central symbol in which mystical tradition?

- A) Taoism
- B) Kabbalah
- C) Zoroastrianism
- D) Shinto

14. What is the name for a charm believed to provide magical protection to the wearer?

- A) Sigil
- B) Amulet
- C) Rune
- D) Glyph

15. Who is considered the founder of the Theosophical Society?

- A) Helena Blavatsky
- B) Annie Besant
- C) Rudolf Steiner
- D) Alice Bailey