World History Essentials for Teens

World History · Practice Test · 10 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization developed the system of writing known as cuneiform?

A) Ancient Egypt
B) Mesopotamia
C) Indus Valley
D) Ancient Greece

2. What was the primary purpose of the Great Wall of China during the Ming Dynasty?

A) To act as a trade route
B) To prevent invasions from northern nomadic groups
C) To mark the southern border of the empire
D) To connect major river systems

3. Which explorer led the first expedition to successfully circumnavigate the globe?

A) Christopher Columbus
B) Vasco da Gama
C) Ferdinand Magellan
D) James Cook

4. The Magna Carta, signed in 1215, was a document that primarily limited the power of which figure?

A) The Pope
B) The Parliament
C) The King of England
D) The Holy Roman Emperor

5. What was the main cause of the start of the French Revolution in 1789?

A) A war with the United States
B) Widespread famine and economic hardship
C) The death of the King
D) The discovery of new continents

6. Which empire was centered in the city of Tenochtitlan?

A) Inca Empire
B) Aztec Empire
C) Maya Civilization
D) Olmec Civilization

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7. During the Industrial Revolution, which invention significantly improved the efficiency of textile manufacturing?

A) The steam locomotive
B) The telegraph
C) The spinning jenny
D) The telephone

8. Who was the leader of the Mongol Empire that unified the Mongol tribes and began a series of conquests?

A) Kublai Khan
B) Genghis Khan
C) Attila the Hun
D) Tamerlane

9. What was the 'Silk Road' primarily used for?

A) Mass migration of populations
B) The spread of democracy
C) Trade of goods and cultural exchange between East and West
D) Military communication during wartime

10. Which period in European history is characterized by a 'rebirth' of interest in classical art, literature, and learning?

A) The Middle Ages
B) The Renaissance
C) The Enlightenment
D) The Reformation

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