

World History Essentials

World History · Practice Test · 20 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization built the Great Pyramid of Giza?

- A) Romans
- B) Egyptians
- C) Greeks
- D) Mayans

2. Who was the first emperor of a unified China?

- A) Qin Shi Huang
- B) Confucius
- C) Sun Yat-sen
- D) Mao Zedong

3. In which country did the Industrial Revolution begin?

- A) France
- B) Germany
- C) United States
- D) Great Britain

4. Who was the famous queen of Ancient Egypt known for her association with Julius Caesar and Mark Antony?

- A) Nefertiti
- B) Cleopatra
- C) Hatshepsut
- D) Ramses

5. The Magna Carta was signed in which country?

- A) France
- B) Spain
- C) England
- D) Italy

6. Which explorer is credited with reaching the Americas in 1492?

- A) Marco Polo
- B) Ferdinand Magellan
- C) Vasco da Gama
- D) Christopher Columbus

7. What was the primary language of the Roman Empire?

- A) Greek
- B) Latin
- C) French
- D) Spanish

8. Which French military leader declared himself Emperor in 1804?

- A) Louis XIV
- B) Napoleon Bonaparte
- C) Charles de Gaulle
- D) Robespierre

9. The Berlin Wall fell in which year?

- A) 1989
- B) 1945
- C) 1961
- D) 2000

10. Which ancient city was destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD?

- A) Athens
- B) Sparta
- C) Pompeii
- D) Troy

11. Who was the leader of the Soviet Union during World War II?

- A) Vladimir Lenin
- B) Joseph Stalin
- C) Nikita Khrushchev
- D) Mikhail Gorbachev

12. Which ocean did Ferdinand Magellan cross during his circumnavigation of the globe?

- A) Atlantic
- B) Indian
- C) Pacific
- D) Arctic

13. What was the name of the ship that transported the Pilgrims to America in 1620?

- A) Santa Maria
- B) Golden Hind
- C) Mayflower
- D) Beagle

14. Which invention by Johannes Gutenberg revolutionized the spread of information in Europe?

- A) Steam engine
- B) Printing press
- C) Telegraph
- D) Compass

15. The Taj Mahal is located in which modern-day country?

- A) Pakistan
- B) India
- C) Bangladesh
- D) Afghanistan

16. Which conflict lasted from 1914 to 1918?

- A) World War II
- B) The Cold War
- C) World War I
- D) The Seven Years' War

17. What ancient civilization is credited with the invention of the wheel?

- A) Sumerians
- B) Incas
- C) Aztecs
- D) Persians

18. Who was the primary author of the American Declaration of Independence?

- A) George Washington
- B) Benjamin Franklin
- C) Thomas Jefferson
- D) John Adams

19. Which Japanese city was the first to be targeted by an atomic bomb in 1945?

- A) Tokyo
- B) Kyoto
- C) Hiroshima
- D) Nagasaki

20. Which empire was led by Genghis Khan?

- A) Ottoman Empire
- B) Mongol Empire
- C) British Empire
- D) Roman Empire