

Toy History Trivia

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1. Which popular building toy was first introduced by Danish carpenter Ole Kirk Christiansen in 1932?

- A) Lincoln Logs
- B) LEGO
- C) Meccano
- D) Tinkertoy

2. In what year did the Barbie doll make her debut at the American International Toy Fair in New York?

- A) 1945
- B) 1952
- C) 1959
- D) 1964

3. What classic board game, patented in 1935, was based on an earlier game called The Landlord's Game?

- A) Monopoly
- B) Clue
- C) Sorry!
- D) Life

4. The Slinky was accidentally invented in 1943 by a naval engineer who was trying to develop springs to stabilize what on ships?

- A) Antennas
- B) Radar equipment
- C) Compass gyros
- D) Engine valves

5. What is the name of the iconic stuffed bear that was named after U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt?

- A) Paddington Bear
- B) Care Bear
- C) Teddy Bear
- D) Winnie the Pooh

6. Which company first released the Etch A Sketch in 1960, featuring two white knobs and aluminum powder?

- A) Ohio Art Company
- B) Hasbro
- C) Mattel
- D) Fisher-Price

7. What popular puzzle toy was invented by Hungarian professor Erno Rubik in 1974?

- A) Rubik's Snake
- B) Rubik's Cube
- C) Rubik's Magic
- D) Rubik's Clock

8. Mr. Potato Head, released in 1952, was the first toy ever to be advertised on what platform?

- A) Radio
- B) Newspaper
- C) Television
- D) Billboard

9. What was the primary material used to make the first Frisbees, which were initially sold as 'Pluto Platters'?

- A) Wood
- B) Metal
- C) Plastic
- D) Rubber

10. The toy known as 'Hula Hoop' became a massive fad in 1958, produced by which company?

- A) Wham-O
- B) Milton Bradley
- C) Parker Brothers
- D) Tonka

11. What popular action figure line, launched by Hasbro in 1964, is credited with coining the term 'action figure'?

- A) Masters of the Universe
- B) G.I. Joe
- C) Action Man
- D) Captain Action

12. Which toy, consisting of two plastic spheres on a string, became a dangerous but popular craze in the late 1960s and early 1970s?

- A) Yo-yos
- B) Bolas
- C) Clackers
- D) Kendama

13. What was the name of the first successful commercial video game console, released by Magnavox in 1972?

- A) Atari 2600
- B) Odyssey
- C) ColecoVision
- D) Intellivision

14. The yo-yo is considered one of the oldest toys in history, with early versions dating back to ancient which country?

- A) Greece
- B) Egypt
- C) China
- D) Rome

15. Which doll, first introduced in 1983, became famous for its soft body and the fact that every doll was unique?

- A) American Girl
- B) Cabbage Patch Kids
- C) Strawberry Shortcake
- D) Raggedy Ann