

Circus Arts Fundamentals

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1. What is the name of the device used by aerialists to perform stunts high above the circus ring?

- A) Trapeze
- B) Trampoline
- C) Stilts
- D) Unicycle

2. Which circus performer specializes in keeping multiple objects like balls or clubs in the air at once?

- A) Magician
- B) Juggler
- C) Clown
- D) Tightrope walker

3. What is the name of the large, circular tent that traditionally houses circus performances?

- A) Pavilion
- B) Big Top
- C) Canopy
- D) Dome

4. Which balance-based circus skill involves walking along a thin, tensioned wire or rope?

- A) Stilt walking
- B) Contortion
- C) Tightrope walking
- D) Acrobatics

5. A unicycle is a cycle that has how many wheels?

- A) Three
- B) Four
- C) Two
- D) One

6. What are the heavy-duty shoes worn by some circus performers to increase their height called?

- A) Stilts
- B) Platforms
- C) Cleats
- D) Boots

7. Which term describes a circus performer who can bend and twist their body into unusual positions?

- A) Strongman
- B) Contortionist
- C) Acrobat
- D) Mime

8. What is the primary function of a safety net during a high-flying trapeze act?

- A) To catch props
- B) To catch performers
- C) To provide shade
- D) To decorate the stage

9. What does a circus clown traditionally wear on their nose as part of their costume?

- A) A red ball
- B) A blue star
- C) A green mask
- D) A yellow feather

10. Which circus act involves performers standing on each other's shoulders to form a tall structure?

- A) Pyramid
- B) Shadow play
- C) Tightrope
- D) Aerial silks

11. What is the term for a circus performer who specializes in tricks involving strength, such as lifting heavy weights?

- A) Acrobat
- B) Strongman
- C) Juggler
- D) Ringmaster

12. What do performers use to spin around their waist or limbs during a hula hoop act?

- A) Ropes
- B) Ribbons
- C) Hoops
- D) Batons

13. Who is the person responsible for introducing the acts and managing the flow of the circus show?

- A) The Clown
- B) The Stage Manager
- C) The Ringmaster
- D) The Ticket Seller

14. Which material is most commonly used for aerial silks, allowing performers to climb and wrap themselves?

- A) Leather
- B) Metal
- C) Fabric
- D) Wood

15. What is the main goal of a circus acrobat?

- A) To tell jokes
- B) To perform feats of agility and balance
- C) To sell snacks
- D) To design costumes

16. Which circus prop is often used to add visual flair to an act by being spun in the air?

- A) Batons
- B) Anvils
- C) Bricks
- D) Sandbags

17. What type of circus act involves performers leaping and flipping across a padded floor or mat?

- A) Tightrope walking
- B) Tumbling
- C) Unicycling
- D) Clowning

18. In circus arts, what is the 'ring' usually filled with?

- A) Water
- B) Sand or sawdust
- C) Grass
- D) Concrete