Celestial Esoterica and Cosmology

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1. In Hermetic and Neoplatonic traditions, which planet was traditionally associated with the sphere of the 'Great Benefic' and the governance of expansion and philosophy?

A) Mars
B) Jupiter
C) Saturn
D) Venus

2. The 16th-century occultist Giordano Bruno was burned at the stake partly for proposing which cosmological theory that was later proven to be scientifically accurate?

A) The Earth is flat
B) The universe contains an infinite number of inhabited worlds
C) The Sun revolves around the Earth
D) The Moon is made of iron

3. Which astronomical phenomenon was central to the 'Great Conjunction' theory often cited in historical occult texts as a harbinger of major sociopolitical shifts?

A) The alignment of Jupiter and Saturn
B) The transit of Mercury across the Sun
C) The total solar eclipse
D) The retrograde motion of Mars

4. In ancient esoteric correspondences, which planet was linked to the metal lead and the concept of time due to its slow orbital period?

A) Neptune
B) Uranus
C) Saturn
D) Pluto

5. The 'Music of the Spheres,' a concept proposed by Pythagoras and later adopted into occult alchemy, is based on the mathematical ratios of what?

A) Planetary orbital distances
B) The speed of light
C) Radio waves from space
D) The gravitational pull of black holes

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6. Which celestial body, known in early occult astrology as the 'Lesser Benefic,' is physically characterized as a terrestrial planet with a thick atmosphere of carbon dioxide?

A) Mercury
B) Venus
C) Mars
D) Jupiter

7. In the system of the seven classical planets used in ceremonial magic, which planet is traditionally associated with the element of iron and the deity of war?

A) Mars
B) Venus
C) Saturn
D) Jupiter

8. Historical occultists often used the term 'Firmament' to describe what region of the universe?

A) The deep interstellar void
B) The sphere of fixed stars
C) The asteroid belt
D) The surface of the Moon

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