Advanced Historical Landmarks and Origins

World History · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. Which ancient civilization developed the first known writing system, known as cuneiform, around 3200 BCE?

A) Sumerians
B) Egyptians
C) Phoenicians
D) Indus Valley Civilization

2. The Rosetta Stone, which was instrumental in deciphering Egyptian hieroglyphs, features text in which three scripts?

A) Hieroglyphic, Demotic, and Ancient Greek
B) Hieroglyphic, Latin, and Coptic
C) Hieroglyphic, Aramaic, and Demotic
D) Hieroglyphic, Phoenician, and Ancient Greek

3. In 1215, King John of England was forced to sign which foundational document that limited the power of the monarchy?

A) The Bill of Rights
B) The Magna Carta
C) The Edict of Nantes
D) The Treaty of Versailles

4. Which explorer led the first expedition to successfully circumnavigate the Earth, completed by his crew after his death?

A) Vasco da Gama
B) Christopher Columbus
C) Ferdinand Magellan
D) Amerigo Vespucci

5. The 'Code of Hammurabi', one of the oldest deciphered writings of significant length in the world, originated from which region?

A) Ancient Greece
B) Babylonia
C) The Roman Empire
D) The Han Dynasty

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6. Which architectural wonder of the ancient world was located in Alexandria, Egypt, and served as a navigational aid?

A) The Great Pyramid
B) The Colossus of Rhodes
C) The Lighthouse of Alexandria
D) The Hanging Gardens of Babylon

7. What was the primary language of the Roman Empire, which served as the foundation for the Romance languages?

A) Ancient Greek
B) Latin
C) Etruscan
D) Aramaic

8. The Pax Romana, a period of relative peace and stability across the Roman Empire, began under the reign of which emperor?

A) Julius Caesar
B) Nero
C) Augustus
D) Constantine the Great

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