Circus Arts Around the World

Circus Arts · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which modern circus tradition traces its origins to the 1768 equestrian displays by Philip Astley in London?

A) Cirque du Soleil
B) Astley's Amphitheatre
C) The Moscow State Circus
D) Ringling Bros.

2. The 'Cirque du Soleil' company, known for its mix of circus arts and street performance, was founded in which Canadian province?

A) Ontario
B) British Columbia
C) Quebec
D) Alberta

3. Which country is home to the Nanjing Acrobatic Troupe, one of the most famous organizations practicing traditional Chinese circus arts?

A) China
B) Japan
C) South Korea
D) Vietnam

4. The Great Moscow State Circus is historically significant to the circus arts of which nation?

A) Ukraine
B) Russia
C) Germany
D) Poland

5. The 'Flying Trapeze' was invented in 1859 by Jules Léotard in which European city?

A) Rome
B) Madrid
C) Paris
D) Berlin

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6. Which city in Italy is historically associated with the 'Circo Togni', one of the oldest circus families in Europe?

A) Milan
B) Venice
C) Rome
D) Florence

7. The 'Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus', historically one of the largest, was headquartered for many years in which U.S. state?

A) Florida
B) New York
C) California
D) Texas

8. The 'Cirkus Cirkör', a prominent contemporary circus company, is based in which Scandinavian country?

A) Norway
B) Sweden
C) Denmark
D) Finland

9. The 'Circus Oz', famous for its satirical and high-energy style, was established in which Australian city?

A) Sydney
B) Brisbane
C) Melbourne
D) Perth

10. Traditional 'Zarzuela' and circus-style performances often share roots in the street theater history of which Iberian nation?

A) Portugal
B) Spain
C) Andorra
D) Gibraltar

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