Olympic History Basics

Olympic History · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. In which country were the ancient Olympic Games held?

A) Greece
B) Italy
C) Egypt
D) France

2. How many rings are featured on the official Olympic flag?

A) Three
B) Four
C) Five
D) Six

3. What does the Olympic flame represent?

A) The heat of competition
B) The purity and pursuit of perfection
C) The burning of the stadium
D) The end of the Games

4. Which city hosted the first modern Olympic Games in 1896?

A) London
B) Paris
C) Athens
D) Rome

5. How often are the Summer Olympic Games typically held?

A) Every year
B) Every two years
C) Every four years
D) Every five years

6. Which of the following is NOT one of the colors of the Olympic rings?

A) Blue
B) Yellow
C) Green
D) Purple

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7. What are the three colors found on every national flag represented in the Olympic rings?

A) Red, white, and blue
B) Green, black, and red
C) Yellow, blue, and black
D) White, red, and yellow

8. Who is the founder of the modern Olympic Games?

A) Pierre de Coubertin
B) Usain Bolt
C) Michael Phelps
D) Baron von Steuben

9. Which season of the year were the ancient Olympic Games originally associated with?

A) Winter
B) Spring
C) Summer
D) Autumn

10. What is the official motto of the Olympic Games?

A) Faster, Higher, Stronger
B) Winning is Everything
C) Peace and Unity
D) Friends Forever

11. Which continent is represented by the yellow ring?

A) Africa
B) America
C) Asia
D) Europe

12. What do the athletes receive if they place first in an event?

A) A gold medal
B) A trophy
C) A plaque
D) A certificate

13. In which city were the 2000 Summer Olympics held?

A) Tokyo
B) Sydney
C) London
D) Beijing

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14. What type of tree branch was used as a prize in the ancient Olympic Games?

A) Oak

B) Olive

C) Pine

D) Maple

15. What was the primary purpose of the ancient Olympic Games?

A) Religious festival

B) Trade fair

C) Political debate

D) Military training