

History Trivia for Kids

Fifteen fun questions about famous people, inventions, and events from history. Perfect for stude...

Name / Team:

Score:

1 Who was the first President of the United States?

- A. Abraham Lincoln
- B. George Washington
- C. Thomas Jefferson
- D. Benjamin Franklin

2 What ship sank on its first voyage in 1912 after hitting an iceberg?

- A. The Mayflower
- B. The Titanic
- C. The Santa Maria
- D. The Lusitania

3 Who was the first person to walk on the moon?

- A. Buzz Aldrin
- B. John Glenn
- C. Neil Armstrong
- D. Yuri Gagarin

4 What ancient civilization built the pyramids in Egypt?

- A. The Romans
- B. The Greeks
- C. The Egyptians
- D. The Babylonians

5 Who invented the light bulb?

- A. Benjamin Franklin
- B. Alexander Graham Bell
- C. Thomas Edison
- D. Nikola Tesla

6 What famous wall was built to protect northern China from invaders?

- A. The Berlin Wall
- B. The Great Wall of China
- C. Hadrian's Wall
- D. The Western Wall

7 Who led the civil rights movement and gave the 'I Have a Dream' speech?

- A. Rosa Parks
- B. Martin Luther King Jr.
- C. Frederick Douglass
- D. Harriet Tubman

8 What did Christopher Columbus do in 1492?

- A. Discovered Australia
- B. Sailed around the world
- C. Sailed to the Americas
- D. Built the first ship

9 What famous document begins with 'We the People'?

- A. The Declaration of Independence
- B. The U.S. Constitution
- C. The Gettysburg Address
- D. The Magna Carta

10 Who was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean?

- A. Sally Ride
- B. Amelia Earhart
- C. Bessie Coleman
- D. Harriet Quimby

11 What language did the ancient Romans speak?

- A. Greek
- B. Latin
- C. Italian
- D. Spanish

12 What war was fought between the North and South in the United States?

- A. The Revolutionary War
- B. World War I
- C. The Civil War
- D. The War of 1812

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13 Who painted the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel?

- A. Leonardo da Vinci
- B. Michelangelo
- C. Raphael
- D. Donatello

14 What did Alexander Graham Bell invent?

- A. The light bulb
- B. The telephone
- C. The radio
- D. The telegraph

15 What ancient wonder was a giant statue on the island of Rhodes?

- A. The Sphinx
- B. The Colossus of Rhodes
- C. The Parthenon
- D. The Lighthouse of Alexandria

History Trivia for Kids — Answer Key

1. B George Washington

George Washington became the first President in 1789. He is often called the 'Father of His Country.'

2. B The Titanic

The RMS Titanic was the largest ship of its time. It sank in the North Atlantic, and over 1,500 people lost their lives.

3. C Neil Armstrong

Neil Armstrong stepped onto the moon on July 20, 1969, during the Apollo 11 mission.

4. C The Egyptians

The ancient Egyptians built the pyramids as tombs for their pharaohs. The Great Pyramid of Giza was built around 2560 BC.

5. C Thomas Edison

Thomas Edison created a practical, long-lasting light bulb in 1879. He also invented the phonograph and improved the motion picture camera.

6. B The Great Wall of China

The Great Wall of China stretches over 13,000 miles. Construction started over 2,000 years ago during the Qin Dynasty.

7. B Martin Luther King Jr.

Martin Luther King Jr. delivered the famous speech in 1963 at the March on Washington. He dreamed of a world where people would be judged by their character, not their skin color.

8. C Sailed to the Americas

Columbus sailed from Spain with three ships and reached the Caribbean islands in October 1492, opening the way for European exploration of the Americas.

9. B The U.S. Constitution

The United States Constitution begins with 'We the People of the United States.' It was written in 1787 and is the supreme law of the land.

10. B Amelia Earhart

Amelia Earhart flew solo across the Atlantic in 1932. She disappeared in 1937 while attempting to fly around the world.

11. B Latin

The Romans spoke Latin, which later evolved into the Romance languages: Italian, Spanish, French, Portuguese, and Romanian.

12. C The Civil War

The Civil War (1861-1865) was fought between the Union (North) and the Confederacy (South). It ended slavery in the United States.

13. B Michelangelo

Michelangelo painted the Sistine Chapel ceiling between 1508 and 1512. The most famous scene shows God reaching out to touch Adam's finger.

14. B The telephone

Alexander Graham Bell patented the telephone in 1876. His invention changed the way people communicate forever.

15. B The Colossus of Rhodes

The Colossus of Rhodes was a giant bronze statue built around 280 BC. It stood over 100 feet tall and was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.