

Down The Ages - Quiz Questions and Answers

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1. Define the following:
 - a. The Ice Age
 - b. The Iron Age
2. Jean Jacques Rousseau's ideal of "Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity" became the motto of which Revolution?
3. The spread of knowledge to other countries of Europe in the 15th and 16th Centuries, with special emphasis regarding classical literature and the spirit of discovery, was known by another name. What was it?
4. May 24, 1498 marks an important event that was to change man's life. What was that event?
5. Match these important dates with the occasion:
 - a. June 15, 1215 - Declaration of American Independence
 - b. January 13, 1920 - Signing of the Magna Carta
 - c. July 4, 1776 - World War I Declared
 - d. July 28, 1914 - League of Nations comes into existence formally
6. Who were the three children of Henry VIII who became monarchs of England?
7. In the history of Japan, what do the dates August 5, 1945 and August 8, 1945 signify?
8. When did the Russian Revolution occur?
9. Why is the Gupta period (A.D. 320-533) known as the 'Golden age' in Indian history?
10. What is the name of the revolution in England which transformed places from agricultural to mechanized ones?
11. In which country did the Boxer Rebellion take place in 1900?
12. Generations to come will remember November 9, 1990. For What event in Germany?
13. Which incident set off a series of events which led to World War-I?
14. What is the Doomsday Book?
15. Which volcanic island of the East Indies exploded and almost disappeared in 1883?
16. When was the Tea Party at Boston held?
17. Mount Everest was conquered by Sherpa Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary, on which date?
18. Which three world leaders signed the Camp David Accord?
19. A great leader was shot dead on November 22, 1963. Who was he?
20. With the death of Emperor Hirohito, Japan's longest reigning monarch, on January 7, 1989, which era in Japan's history came to an end?

Answers

1. (a) The Ice Age began about 1,000,000 years ago in which a series of ice caps covered most of the northern parts of the earth.
(b) The period when people used iron tools and weapons, which began about 1200 B.C. and Lasted about 1000 years.
2. The French Revolution in 1789.
3. The Renaissance – the revival of art and literature.
4. Vasco-da-Gama discovered the sea route to India via the Cape of Good Hope and arrived at Calicut.
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6. (a) Edward VI (b) Mary (c) Elizabeth I
 7. On August 5, 1945, the first atom bomb was dropped on Hiroshima; and on August 8, 1945, the second bomb was dropped on Nagasaki.
 8. In October 1917, against the autocracy to secure rights for the less privileged Russians.
 9. Because of an extraordinary development of art and literature; the country was prosperous and the people lived in happiness and comfort.
 10. The Industrial Revolution
 11. China
 12. The Unification of Germany and the end of the Berlin Wall, a symbol of oppression. The Berlin Wall was erected on August 13, 1961.
 13. The assassination of Archduke Ferdinand of Austria on July 28, 1914, at Sarajevo.
 14. The Doomsday Book, ordered to be compiled by William the Conqueror in 1086, was a record of all lands in England, for taxation purposes.
 15. Krakatoa
 16. December 16, 1773
 17. May 29, 1953
 18. Menachem Begin of Israel, Anwar Sadat of the U.A.E. and Jimmy Carter of the U.S.A.
 19. John F. Kennedy, President of the U.S.A.
 20. The Showa Era