

Year 4 History-a-thon

Answers

Stone Age

1. What are the three eras of time in the Stone Age? **Paleolithic Period, Mesolithic Period, and Neolithic Period**
2. How long ago did the Stone Age start? **About 2.6 million years ago.**
3. When was Skara Brae discovered and how? **1850 a storm uncovered it.**
4. What is the modern name of the people living in Europe during the Iron Age? **The Celts.**

Ancient Egypt

5. How long ago did the ancient Egyptians live? **5000**
6. What were the three seasons of the ancient Egyptian calendar? **Aket, Peret and Shemu**
7. What was the name of the Pharaoh whose tomb was uncovered by Howard Carter? **Tutankhamun.**
8. Which artefact was the key to understanding hieroglyphics? **Rosetta Stone**

WWII

9. The Second World War was fought between two sides. Name the three main countries that formed the Axis powers? **Germany, Italy & Japan.**
10. How long did food rationing last in Britain? **14 years**
11. What was Dig for Victory? **A campaign to encourage people to grow their own food.**
12. What did the Blitz mean? **'Blitzkrieg' (lightning war).**

Romans

13. What were the names of the twins in the legend of how Rome was founded? **Romulus and Remus**
14. Who was King of the Roman gods and goddesses? **Jupiter**
15. What is the name of the building in Rome where many gladiator fights took place? **The Colosseum**
16. When did the Romans first invade Britain? **55BC**
17. Who led this invasion? **Julius Caesar**
18. What was the name of the wall built between the border of England and Scotland? **Hadrian's Wall**
19. What were Roman soldiers called? **legionaries**
20. What is the Roman name for a soldier's helmet? **Galea**
21. When did the last of the Romans leave Britain? **410 AD**

Anglo-Saxons

22. When the Romans left, the Picts and Scots became a bigger threat to Britain. Who did the English King Vortigern ask to help defeat the Picts and the Scots? **His two brothers, Hengest and Horsa.**
23. Who invaded Britain at this time? **Angles, Saxons and Jutes.**
24. Which modern day countries did these people come from? **Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands.**
25. What important document provides us with a year-by-year account of Anglo-Saxon times that dates back to the reign of Alfred the Great? **The Anglo-Saxon Chronicles.**
26. We get the names Wallington, Carshalton and Sutton from the Anglo-Saxon 'Ton or Tun' What does this mean? **Farm or fenced village.**
27. What was Sutton Hoo famous for? **An Anglo-Saxon ship burial. (Could be helmet, hoard or grave of a king).**
28. Which Anglo-Saxon king had a reputation for being merciful and who wanted to improve his people's lives? **King Alfred the Great.**

The Maya

29. Where in the world did the Maya settle? **Mesoamerica or Central America.**
30. What are the pictures that make up Maya writing called? **Hieroglyphs**
31. What were Maya books called? **Codices**
32. What was the name of the 'basketball' type game they played? **Pok-a-Tok or Pitz.**
33. What was the Maya name for chocolate? **Xocolatl.**
34. What did the Maya temples look like? **Pyramids.**
35. What was the name of their sacred bird? **Quetzal**
36. What was the name of the supreme creator? **Itzamná**