

Year 6 History-a-thon Quiz

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**
5. Where is Skara Brae? **Orkney Islands.**

Ancient Egypt

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

WWII

11. The Second World War was fought between two sides. Name the three main countries that formed the Axis powers? **Germany, Italy and Japan.**
12. Who were the leaders of these countries? **Adolf Hitler (Germany), Benito Mussolini (Italy), and Emperor Hirohito (Japan).**
13. Name the three Allie countries that were known as the 'Big Three' that formed the Grand Alliance. **Great Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union.**
14. When did WWII start and finish? **1 September 1939 - 2 September 1945.**
15. What was VE Day? **Victory in Europe Day.**
16. What was Dig for Victory? **A campaign to encouraged people to grow their own food at home.**
17. What did the Blitz mean? **'Blitzkrieg' (lightning war).**
18. Who was famous for saying? 'I hold in my hand a piece of paper.'
Neville Chamberlain it was the nonaggression pact that had been written by him and Hitler.
19. Who was prime minister when Germany surrounded? **Winston Churchill.**
20. What was the codename for 'D' Day? **Operation Overlord.**

Romans

21. When did the Romans first invade Britain? **55BC**
22. Who led this invasion? **Julius Caesar**
23. When did the last of the Romans leave Britain? **AD410**
24. What were Roman soldiers called? **legionaries**

Anglo-Saxons

25. Which three tribes make up the Anglo-Saxons? **The Angles, Saxons and Jutes.**
26. When the Romans left Britain, the Picts and Scots became a bigger threat.
27. Who did the English King Vortigern ask to help defeat them? **His two brothers, Hengest and Horsa.**
28. 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.**

29. We get the names Wallington, Carshalton and Sutton from the Anglo-Saxon 'Ton or Tun' what does this mean? [Farm or fenced village.](#)
30. How long approximately was the Anglo-Saxon period? [The Anglo-Saxon period covers about 600 years](#)

The Maya

31. Where in the world did the Maya settle? [Mesoamerica or Central America.](#)
32. What were Maya books called? [Codices](#)
33. What was the name of the 'basketball' type game they played? [Pok-a-Tok or Pitz.](#)
34. What was the name of their sacred bird? [Quetzal](#)

Ancient Greeks

35. Who built the Trojan Horse? [The Greeks.](#)
36. The Greeks invented a form of government which we still use today. What is it called? [Democracy.](#)
37. What do we call the stories the Greeks told about their gods and heroes? [Myths.](#)
38. What is another name for the city of Troy? [Ilium.](#)

The Vikings

39. Where did the Vikings come from? [Where did the Vikings come from? Scandinavia - Denmark, Norway and Sweden.](#)
40. What year did the Vikings settle permanently in England? [AD878](#)
41. What were the Viking lands in Britain known as? [The Danelaw.](#)

The Tudors

41. Name the Tudor dynasty. [Henry VII, Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary I, and Elizabeth I.](#)
42. How did the Tudors come to power? [They came to power as a result of the victory of Henry VII over Yorkist king Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth in 1485.](#)
43. Name the six wives of Henry VIII in order. [Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catherine Howard and Katherine Parr.](#)
44. When was the Tudor era? [1485-1603](#)
45. What was the name of the ship Sir Francis Drake circumnavigated the globe in between 1577 and 1580? [The Golden Hind.](#)

The Victorians

46. What years did Queen Victoria reign? [1837 - 1901.](#)
47. In 1880, a law was passed to make what compulsory? [Children to go to school from age five until ten.](#)
48. Who built the first steam locomotive? [Richard Trevithick.](#)
49. What year did the railway come to Carshalton? [The original Carshalton station was opened in Wallington in 1847.](#)
50. What year was the Great Exhibition and where was it held? [1st May -15th October 1851. Crystal Palace.](#)
51. Who created the London sewer network? [Joseph Bazalgette.](#)
52. What was Dr Banardo famous for? [Setting up the Ragged School and children's homes.](#)
53. Who campaigned to stop children working? [Lord Shaftesbury.](#)
54. What was the name of Queen Victoria's favourite home and where was it? [Osborne House on the Isle of Wight.](#)