

ARTS AND LITERATURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #11



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1> In the best-selling novel, "Life of Pi," how long was Pi at sea?

- a. 227 days
- b. 354 days
- c. 80 days
- d. 36 days

2> The oldest surviving epic poem of Old English, what is the setting for "Beowulf"?

- a. Wales
- b. Ireland
- c. Scandinavia
- d. Scotland

3> Owned by the character Captain Nemo in a novel by Jules Verne, what is the Nautilus?

- a. A tank
- b. A warrior
- c. A submarine
- d. A horse

4> A chief figure in the abstract expressionist movement, which painter was nicknamed "Jack the Dripper"?

- a. Jackson Pollock
- b. Jasper Johns

- c. Paul Cezanne
- d. Rembrandt van Rijn

5> In which novel would you find the characters Tracy Tupman, Sam Weller and Alfred Jungle?

- a. The Pickwick Papers
- b. As I Lay Dying
- c. The Plague
- d. Wise Blood

6> Dating sometime in the late 13th century, in which poem would you hear about the fearsome warrior "Gunnar Hamundarson"?

- a. The Battle of Brunanburh
- b. Cædmon's Hymn
- c. The Fight at Finnsburh
- d. Njals Saga

7> A succession of four vampire-themed romance novels, who wrote the "Twilight" series?

- a. Suzanne Marie Collins
- b. Stephenie Meyer
- c. Cassandra Clare
- d. Veronica Roth

8> First, performed in 1935, who is assassinated in the play "Murder in the Cathedral"?

- a. Arch Bishop John Potter
- b. Arch Bishop John de Grey
- c. Arch Bishop Richard le Grant
- d. Arch Bishop Thomas Becket

9> Recounting the story of a SAS patrol behind enemy lines, what is the setting for the bestselling novel "Bravo Two Zero"?

- a. Vietnam
- b. Afghanistan
- c. Cuba
- d. Iraq

10> Henry Higgins and Eliza Doolittle are the main characters in which George Bernard Shaw play?

- a. Pygmalion
- b. The King and I
- c. Guys and Dolls
- d. Oklahoma

11> Who sculpted the famous sculpture, "Hermes and the Infant Dionysus"?

- a. Michelangelo
- b. Praxiteles
- c. Auguste Rodin
- d. Bernini

12> First, published in 1979, who is the main antagonist in the novel "A Woman of Substance"?

- a. Catherine Earnshaw
- b. Dorothy Gale
- c. Emma Harte
- d. Lisbeth Salander

13> One of the best-known works of ancient Greek sculpture, where would you be able to see the "Venus de Milo"?

- a. The Guggenheim

- b. La Spezia
- c. Louvre Museum
- d. The British Museum

14> "The Warden" and "Doctor Thorne" are novels in which series?

- a. A Song of Ice and Fire
- b. The Vampire Chronicles
- c. Chronicles of Barsetshire
- d. Chronicles of Narnia

15> The phrase "Hail to thee blithe spirit" refers to what kind of bird?

- a. Nightingale
- b. Mockingbird
- c. Skylark
- d. Dove

16> Who travelled with Phileas Fogg?

- a. Rochinante
- b. Kato
- c. Jean Passepartout
- d. Friday

17> What kind of animal is George Stubbs known for painting?

- a. Elephants
- b. Lions
- c. Horses
- d. Birds

Answers:

- 1> 227 days - Life of Pi was written by Yann Martel, a Canadian author.
- 2> Scandinavia - Written by an anonymous author, the poem is dated sometime between the 8th and 11th centuries.
- 3> A submarine - Published in 1870, Captain Nemo can be found in Jules Verne's classic '20, 000 leagues Under the Sea'.
- 4> Jackson Pollock - Jackson Pollock was an American painter who was well known for his distinctive style of drip painting.
- 5> The Pickwick Papers - Originally published in 20 monthly parts between April 1836 and November 1837, 'The Pickwick Papers' were written by Charles Dickens.
- 6> Njals Saga - Njals Saga is set in Iceland.
- 7> Stephenie Meyer - The first novel in the series, named Twilight, was published in 2005.
- 8> Arch Bishop Thomas Becket - Murder in the Cathedral was written by T. S. Elliot.
- 9> Iraq - Published in 1993, the book was written by Andy McNab.
- 10> Pygmalion - Pygmalion made its debut in 1912.
- 11> Praxiteles - Found in the ruins of the Temple of Hera at Olympia, Hermes and the Infant Dionysus dates back to the 4th century BC.
- 12> Emma Harte - A Woman of Substance was written by Barbara Taylor Bradford.
- 13> Louvre Museum - It is believed that the statue depicts Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love.
- 14> Chronicles of Barsetshire - The Chronicles of Barsetshire were written by Anthony Trollope.
- 15> Skylark - This line is from a poem named 'To a Skylark' by Percy Bysshe Shelley.
- 16> Jean Passepartout - Fogg and Phileas are characters in the novel 'Around the World in Eighty Days'.
- 17> Horses - 'Whislejacket' and 'Mares and Foals' are two of George Stubbs' works.