

FRANCE TRIVIA QUIZ

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1> What is the oldest city in France?

- a. Lyon
- b. Cannes
- c. Marseilles
- d. Paris

2> Who was the first French pope?

- a. Pope Martin IV
- b. Leo IX
- c. Stephen IX
- d. Sylvester II

3> In what year was the current Constitution of France or Fifth Republic established?

- a. 1948
- b. 1938
- c. 1968
- d. 1958

4> Charlemagne was proclaimed Holy Roman Emperor by which Pope?

- a. Leo III
- b. Pope Martin IV
- c. Adrian I
- d. Paschal I

5> Which Frenchman is regarded as the founder of positivism and sociology?

- a. Auguste Comte
- b. Daniel Auteuil
- c. Joseph de Maistre
- d. Victor Cousin

6> Which town in the French Alps is best known for hosting the 1992 Winter Olympics?

- a. Chamonix-Mont-Blanc
- b. Albertville
- c. Grenoble
- d. Chamonix

7> Which of these organizations don't have their headquarters in France?

- a. NATO
- b. ESA
- c. UNESCO
- d. Interpol

8> Meditations on First Philosophy was written by which French philosopher?

- a. Blaise Pascal
- b. Niccolo Machiavelli
- c. Jean-Jacques Rousseau
- d. Rene Descartes

9> Which of the following is a French martial art?

- a. Savate
- b. Jogo do Pau
- c. Judo
- d. Defendu

10> Which king of England was the nephew of the 14th century Charles IV the Fair?

- a. Louis VII
- b. Richard II
- c. Henry IV
- d. Edward III

11> Which city in France has the largest population?

- a. Lyon
- b. Strasbourg
- c. Marseille
- d. Paris

12> Taking place on the 25th of October 1415, who defeated the French at the Battle of Agincourt?

- a. German Forces
- b. Italian Forces
- c. English Forces
- d. Spanish Forces

Answers:

- 1> Marseilles - Marseille is the second largest city in France and third-largest metropolitan area after Paris and Lyon.
- 2> Sylvester II - Gerbert d'Aurillac (Gerbert of Aurillac) was the first French pope his reign as Pope Sylvester II lasted from 999 to 1003.
- 3> 1958 - The Fourth Republic lasted from 1946-1958.
- 4> Leo III - Charlemagne sought to unite all Germanic peoples into one kingdom and convert his subjects to Christianity.
- 5> Auguste Comte - The word 'altruism' was coined by Comte in French, as 'altruisme'.
- 6> Albertville - Albertville is a commune in the Savoie department in the Rhone-Alpes region in southeastern France.
- 7> NATO - Interpol headquarters are in Lyon, UNESCO headquarters in Paris, and NATO headquarters in Brussels.
- 8> Rene Descartes - The book is made up of six meditations, in which Descartes first discards all belief in things, which are not absolutely certain, and then tries to establish what can be known for sure.
- 9> Savate - Savate is a martial art, which uses the hands and feet as weapons combining elements of western boxing with graceful kicking techniques.
- 10> Edward III - The contested legitimacy of the next French king Philip of Valois was one factor of the Hundred Years' War.
- 11> Paris - Paris is also the capital of France.
- 12> English Forces - The battle is the centrepiece of the play Henry V, by William Shakespeare.

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