

HISTORY TRIVIA QUESTIONS #31



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1> In what year did the infamous Jack the Ripper commit his crimes?

- a. 1924
- b. 1854
- c. 1906
- d. 1888

2> Currently a painter, in what profession did Alan LaVern Bean find fame?

- a. Politician
- b. Actor
- c. Astronaut
- d. Writer

3> Assassinated on April 15, 1865, which weapon did John Wilkes Booth use to kill Abraham Lincoln?

- a. A rifle
- b. A pistol
- c. A knife
- d. A sword

4> Located in India, who built the mausoleum "Taj Mahal"?

- a. Sher Shah Suri
- b. Shah Jahan
- c. Jahangir

d. Shah Alam

5> Which of these historic figures was dubbed "Scourge of God"?

- a. Fidel Castro
- b. Joseph Stalin
- c. Attila the Hun
- d. Peter the Great

6> Married in 1582, who was Anne Hathaway's husband?

- a. William Shakespeare
- b. Francis Drake
- c. Sir Francis Bacon
- d. Henry the Eighth

7> Which U.S. President used the slogan "The Buck Stops Here"?

- a. Regan
- b. Kennedy
- c. Nixon
- d. Truman

8> Which of these people discovered the tomb of Tutankhamen?

- a. Alexander Thom
- b. Howard Carter
- c. Pierre Montet
- d. Alfred Kidder

9> When did Great Britain get the atomic bomb?

- a. 1952
- b. 1914

- c. 1867
- d. 1974

10> A part of international pop culture, Eva Peron was married to the president of which nation?

- a. Portugal
- b. Mexico
- c. Spain
- d. Argentina

11> In what year was New Zealand claimed by Great Britain?

- a. 1769
- b. 1834
- c. 1634
- d. 1721

12> What useful item, still used today, did Lewis Waterman patent in 1884?

- a. The aqualung
- b. The printing press
- c. The fountain pen
- d. The windshield wiper

13> When did Jerry Springer become the mayor of Cincinnati?

- a. 1994
- b. 1991
- c. 1986
- d. 1977

14> Who was the son of Pepin the Short?

- a. Kublai Khan
- b. Charlemagne
- c. Plato
- d. Richard the Lionhearted

15> How long did Lady Jane Grey rule England?

- a. 29 years
- b. 43 years
- c. Nine days
- d. Six years

Answers:

1> 1888 - Jack the Ripper is the most common name given to the unidentified serial killer who committed his killings around the Whitechapel district of London.

2> Astronaut - Bean was the fourth person to walk on the moon.

3> A pistol - Abraham Lincoln was shot by a Derringer.

4> Shah Jahan - Construction on the Taj Mahal began in 1632.

5> Attila the Hun - This name was given to him by the Catholic Church.

6> William Shakespeare - Anne was married to William until her death in 1663 at the age of 67.

7> Truman - Truman had a sign with this slogan on his desk.

8> Howard Carter - All of these people were archeologists.

9> 1952 - Britain was the third country to get the bomb.

10> Argentina - Eva passed away in 1952.

11> 1769 - New Zealand was claimed by Captain James Cook.

12> The fountain pen - Lewis founded the Watermen Pen Company in 1883.

13> 1977 - Jerry was also on the Cincinnati City council in 1971.

14> Charlemagne - Charlemagne is also known as Charles the Great.

15> Nine days - Lady Jane was beheaded.