## MARCH HISTORIC EVENTS QUIZ



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1> On March 1st, 1932, whose 20-month-old son was kidnapped from his home in Hopewell, New Jersey?

- a. Boris Karloff
- b. Gary Cooper
- c. Robert Armstrong
- d. Charles Lindbergh

2> Which US president took office during the Great Depression in March of 1933?

- a. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- b. Herbert C. Hoover
- c. Harry S. Truman
- d. Franklin D. Roosevelt

3> Following a 13-day siege, Fort Alamo fell to Mexican troops in March of 1836. Who led the Mexican troops?

- a. General Santa Anna
- b. Juan Alvarez
- c. Benito Juarez
- d. Vicente Guerrero

4> What island was colonized in March of 1609, by the British, after a ship named Sea Venture sank nearby in the aftermath of a hurricane?

a. New Guinea

- b. Hawaii
- c. Tobago
- d. Bermuda

5> Who did Brutus and fellow conspirators murder in the Senate chamber in Rome on March 15th, 44 BC?

- a. Brutus Albinus
- b. Mark Antony
- c. Augustus Caesar
- d. Julius Caesar

6> On March 19, 2003, the United States launched an attack against Iraq to topple what dictator from power?

- a. Muammar al-Gaddafi
- b. Saddam Hussein
- c. Osama bin Laden
- d. Bashar al-Assad

7> Twelve people were killed and another 5,000 injured in a sarin gas attack that occurred on the Tokyo subway system in March of 1995. What religious cult was responsible for the attack?

- a. Raelism
- b. Aum Shinrikyo
- c. Branch Davidians
- d. Heaven's Gate

8> After nearly 50 years of American control, what country was granted independence by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in March of 1934?

- a. Madagascar
- b. Chad
- c. Ghana

## d. Philippines

9> Following a brief speech inside a hotel, what president was shot in Washington, D.C. on March 30, 1981?

- a. George H. W. Bush
- b. Gerald Ford
- c. Ronald Reagan
- d. Jimmy Carter

10> Georgia voted to declare its independence from what country on March 31st, 1991?

- a. Russia
- b. Germany
- c. France
- d. England

11> On March 12th 1999, Hungary, the Czech Republic and what other country became full-fledged members of NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization)?

- a. Ukraine
- b. Turkey
- c. Poland
- d. Romania

12> On March 1st of 1975, the number one song on the Billboard Hot 100 chart was "Best Of My Love." Who recorded it?

- a. Elton John
- b. Eagles
- c. Billy Joel
- d. Fleetwood Mac

13> To promote an end to the Vietnam War, what duo stayed in their bed at the Amsterdam Hilton for four days, talking about peace to reporters from around the world in March of 1969?

- a. Les Paul and Mary Ford
- b. Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell
- c. John Lennon and Yoko Ono
- d. Sonny and Cher

14> What sport saw its first playoff game for the Stanley Cup in March of 1894?

- a. Football
- b. Baseball
- c. Basketball
- d. Hockey

15> What cosmonaut returned to Earth after setting a record for 438 days in space in March of 1995?

- a. Sergei Krikalev
- b. Aleksandr Serebrov
- c. Yelena Kondakova
- d. Valeri Polyakov

16> In March of 1959, what toy made its debut in the United States?

- a. Mr. Potato Head
- b. Barbie doll
- c. Slinky
- d. Hula Hoop

17> What planet did William Herschel discover on March 13th, 1781?

- a. Mercury
- b. Uranus

- c. Venus
- d. Neptune

18> In March of 2004, what country became the first in the world to ban smoking in all work places, including bars and restaurants?

- a. Ireland
- b. New Zealand
- c. Australia
- d. Canada

## **Answers:**

- 1> Charles Lindbergh A \$50,000 ransom was paid, but the boy was found dead a few miles from his house shortly after.
- 2> Franklin D. Roosevelt Roosevelt was the first president to appoint a woman to a cabinet post, Secretary of Labor, Frances Perkins.
- 3> General Santa Anna Somewhere between 182 and 257 Alamo defenders died in the battle.
- 4> Bermuda The island is located in the hurricane belt and often experiences severe weather.
- 5> Julius Caesar Caesar was stabbed 23 times.
- 6> Saddam Hussein It took the US just 21 days to conquer the country's capital, Baghdad.
- 7> Aum Shinrikyo Many countries consider 'Aum Shinrikyo' a terrorist organization.
- 8> Philippines The Philippines is the 12th most populated country in the world.
- 9> Ronald Reagan Three others were also hit in the shooting.
- 10> Russia Georgia was the birthplace of Josef Stalin.
- 11> Poland Poland's communist government was overthrown in 1989.
- 12> Eagles In March of 1972, America's 'A Horse With No Name' hits number one on the charts.
- 13> John Lennon and Yoko Ono Newly married, they decided to use the press circus of their honeymoon to promote peace.
- 14> Hockey The first Stanley Cup was awarded to Montreal HC.
- 15> Valeri Polyakov Polyakov retired in June 1995, with a combined total of just over 678 days in space.
- 16> Barbie doll American businesswoman Ruth Handler created Barbie based on a German doll named Bild Lilli.
- 17> Uranus Herschel also discovered two moons of Saturn.
- 18> Ireland Dublin is the most heavily touristed region in Ireland.

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