



Modern History Trivia for Older Kids



True or False Questions:

1. Oberlin College in Ohio was the first U.S. state to enroll women as degree students in 1837.
2. Guglielmo Marconi was only 22 years old when he took out a British patent for his invention, the radio.
3. The man responsible for creating the idea of a concentration camp was from Germany.
4. In the mid-1800s the punishment for failing to vaccinate your children from smallpox was death.
5. All of Europe has adopted the euro as its single unit of currency.

Open-Ended Questions:

1. The White House was finished in the year 1800, how did it get its name?
2. What did Jean Francois Champollion use to decipher Egyptian hieroglyphics in 1822?
3. Who did Alexander Graham Bell call on the first telephone call after inventing the phone?
4. What was the name of the famous sheep who was cloned in 1996?
5. In what year did the first iPhone come out?

Multiple Choice Questions:

1. In which year did British Parliament pass the first law that limited a kid's work day to 12 hours?
 - a. 2002
 - b. 1902
 - c. 1802
 - d. 1702
2. How many years was Napoleon Bonaparte held captive before he died?
 - a. Six
 - b. Ten
 - c. Two
 - d. Fifteen
3. The first steamship to cross the Atlantic Ocean was from what country?
 - a. Great Britain
 - b. Ireland
 - c. Spain
 - d. Denmark

4. Which two men sent and received the first electric telegraph message in 1837?
 - a. Albert Einstein and Thomas Edison
 - b. Thomas Jefferson and Winston Churchill
 - c. Charles Babbage and Michael Faraday
 - d. William Fothergill Cooke and Charles Wheatstone
5. Who is the youngest recipient of a Nobel Prize?
 - a. Nadia Murad
 - b. Malala Yousafazi
 - c. Tawakkol Karman
 - d. Rigoberta Menchú Tum
6. Which public company was the first to be worth one trillion dollars in 2018?
 - a. Bank of America
 - b. AT&T
 - c. Apple
 - d. Samsung
7. How many crewed Apollo missions were there in the NASA Apollo program?
 - a. 17
 - b. 12
 - c. 10
 - d. 5
8. Which country is the youngest in the world?
 - a. South Sudan
 - b. Kosovo
 - c. East Timor
 - d. Palau
9. In what year did scientists complete the sequencing of the human genome?
 - a. 2019
 - b. 2010
 - c. 2003
 - d. 1996
10. Which type of human organ was the first to be grown from tissue by scientists in a lab?
 - a. Heart
 - b. Lung
 - c. Kidney
 - d. Bladder

Modern History Trivia for Older Kids Answers

True or False Answers:

1. True. The college was founded in 1833 on the principle of educating everyone.
2. True. The patent request came about 3 years after he started experimenting with Hertzian waves.
3. False. He was a Spanish governor in Cuba.
4. False. Parents who refused were fined or imprisoned.
5. False. Only 19 of 28 European countries have adopted the euro.

Open-Ended Answers:

1. The name comes from the color of the light grey limestone used to build it.
2. He used the Rosetta Stone.
3. He called his assistant, Thomas Watson.
4. Her name was Dolly.
5. It was introduced in 2005.

Multiple Choice Answers:

1. C. It was called a Factory Act.
2. A. He died as a prisoner on the island of Saint Helena
3. B. It was called the Sirius and took 19 days to cross the ocean in 1838.
4. D. Together they founded The Electric Telegraph Company.
5. B. Malala was 17 when she won the prize for her work in fighting for children's rights.
6. C. One trillion dollars is the market value of the company.
7. B. Apollo 1, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 were all crewed.
8. A. South Sudan gained independence in 2011, but the country is still in a civil war in 2019.
9. C. The project took three years.
10. D. The bladder was reportedly successfully implanted into a human in 1999.