

Technology Quiz Bowl

Questions

1. Who is known as the inventor of the telephone?
 - a. Charles Babbage
 - b. Alexander Bain
 - c. Alexander Graham Bell
 - d. Steve Jobs
2. What is Tesla Motors, an American automotive company, known for producing?
 - a. Motorcycles
 - b. Hover Boards
 - c. Tractor Trailers
 - d. Electric Cars
3. A _____ is not a component of a laptop computer.
 - a. processor
 - b. keyboard
 - c. hard drive
 - d. scanner
4. Technology has changed the way we play games. Select the correct order in which the following game consoles were created, from oldest to newest.
 - a. Xbox, PlayStation®, Nintendo Entertainment System
 - b. Nintendo Entertainment System, PlayStation®, Xbox
 - c. PlayStation, Nintendo Entertainment System, Xbox
 - d. Nintendo Entertainment System, Xbox, PlayStation®
5. What telescope did NASA launch in 1990 to help scientists learn more about our solar system?
 - a. Hubble Space Telescope
 - b. International Space Telescope

- c. Refracting Telescope
- d. Reversing Telescope

6. _____ is the most commonly used web browser in the United States today.
- a. Microsoft Internet Explorer
 - b. Opera
 - c. Mozilla Firefox
 - d. Google Chrome
7. True or False: It is now possible for a doctor to diagnose a patient virtually (i.e. through a live video consultation).
- a. True
 - b. False
8. Technology has brought us several beloved video game characters. Which of the following is **not** a Nintendo® game character?
- a. Mario
 - b. Donkey Kong
 - c. Princess Peach
 - d. Sonic the Hedgehog™
9. Which company created the iPad®?
- a. HP®
 - b. Apple®
 - c. Sony
 - d. Acer
10. In Internet terminology, what does the phrase "the cloud" refer to? (Hint: Dropbox, Google Drive and Apple iCloud are examples)
- a. Software upgrade package
 - b. Anti-virus program
 - c. Software and services that run on the Internet
 - d. None of the above
11. Select the correct order in which the following inventions were created, from oldest to newest.
- a. telephone, telegraph, radio

- b. radio, telegraph, telephone
- c. telegraph, radio, telephone
- d. telegraph, telephone, radio

12. _____ is a business-oriented social media website that is specifically used for professional networking.

- a. LinkedIn®
- b. Facebook
- c. Twitter
- d. Google+™

13. What is a flash drive?

- a. CD-ROM used for storing data
- b. Portable device used for retrieval and storage of data
- c. Wi-Fi connection
- d. Social media platform

14. Who invented the Model T car in 1908?

- a. Henry Ford
- b. Karl Benz
- c. Thomas Edison
- d. Johannes Gutenberg

15. What is the common definition of a drone?

- a. Electronic vehicle
- b. Airplane
- c. Unmanned aerial vehicle
- d. Motor Scooter

16. Which of the following is the name of the portable e-book reader introduced by Amazon?

- a. Kindle
- b. Nook®
- c. iPad®
- d. Galaxy

17. What does an mp4 file contain?

- a. Video only

- b. Video and audio
 - c. Audio only
 - d. None of the above
18. According to the Pew Research Center, what is the most popular and frequently used social media platform among teens?
- a. Instagram
 - b. Twitter
 - c. Snapchat
 - d. Facebook
19. What does the navigation device GPS stand for?
- a. Global Positioning System
 - b. Global Product Strategy
 - c. Global Protection System
 - d. Global Production Support
20. Nearly as many households in the United States are using cell phones as are using landline telephones to make calls. What percentage of adults solely use a cellphone in their homes?
- a. 98%
 - b. 5%
 - c. 43%
 - d. None of the above

Answers

1. (c) Alexander Graham Bell – Alexander Graham Bell first received a patent for his telephone invention in March 1876.
2. (d) Electric cars – Tesla Motors is an American automotive and energy innovation company that manufactures electric cars.
3. (d) Scanner – A laptop is designed as an all-in-one computer with a built-in processor, hard drive, and keyboard. A scanner is a stand-alone device that converts documents into digital images.

4. (b) Nintendo Entertainment System, PlayStation®, Xbox – The Nintendo Entertainment System was first released in 1985, Sony's PlayStation® launched in 1995, and Microsoft's® Xbox debuted in 2001.
5. (a) Hubble Space Telescope – Created by Edwin Hubble to observe comets and planets, the Hubble Space Telescope has been orbiting the Earth for 25 years.
6. (d) Google Chrome – According to the federal government's Digital Analytics program, Google Chrome is the most commonly used web browser on government websites, averaging 34.7% of all visitors.
7. (a) True – Founded in 2009, MDLIVE is a provider of online health services that is able to consult with patients through their Virtual Medical Office software.
8. (d) Sonic the Hedgehog™ – Sonic the Hedgehog™ is a Sega game character.
9. (b) Apple® – Apple® launched its first iPad® tablet in January 2010.
10. (c) Software and services that run on the Internet – The cloud allows people to access documents, photos, or software on any device with an Internet connection.
11. (d) telegraph, telephone, radio – The telegraph was developed in the 1830s-1840s, the telephone was invented in 1876, and the radio was created in 1895.
12. (a) LinkedIn® – Launched on May 5, 2003, LinkedIn® is currently the world's largest professional social networking platform.
13. (b) Portable device used for retrieval and storage of data – A flash drive can be inserted into the USB port of a computer to store and retrieve data.
14. (a) Henry Ford – The Model T car was considered to be the first affordable automobile for a majority of Americans.

- 15. (c) Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
- 16. (a) Kindle – The Amazon Kindle e-reader was first introduced in 2007.
- 17. (b) Video and audio – A MP4 file contains a mix of multimedia components, such as audio, video and images.
- 18. (d) Facebook – 71% of teens ages 13-17 use Facebook.
- 19. (a) Global Positioning System – In addition to consumer use, GPS technology is used around the world in the mining, aviation, agriculture, and military sectors.
- 20. (c) 43% – According to the Pew Research Center, government data found that 43% of adults are no longer using landline phones in their homes.