

HISTORY WORKSHEET – General History Knowledge

Multiple choice. Write only the CAPITAL LETTER of the correct answer.

_____ 1. Who was the first person to orbit the Earth?

- A. Neil Armstrong
- B. Yuri Gagarin
- C. John Glenn
- D. Valentina Tereshkova

_____ 2. How many wives did Henry VIII have?

- A. One
- B. Two
- C. Six
- D. Eight

_____ 3. Which event triggered World War I?

- A. The assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand
- B. Germany's invasion of Poland
- C. The sinking of the Lusitania
- D. The tsar's refusal of an offer to visit Germany

_____ 4. Which of the following was NOT originally invented in China?

- A. Concrete
- B. Gunpowder
- C. Paper money
- D. Silk

_____ 5. The spinning jenny was one of the earliest innovations in the Industrial Revolution. What was a spinning jenny?

- A. A steam engine
- B. A water pump
- C. A device for making cloth
- D. A device for storing energy

_____ 6. Where did Zoroastrianism originate?

- A. India
- B. Persia
- C. Egypt
- D. South America

_____ 7. Which of these countries did the Soviet Union NEVER invade?

- A. Afghanistan
- B. Finland
- C. Poland
- D. Sweden

_____ 8. In terms of weapons, what is a pike?

- A. A very long spear
- B. A trench knife
- C. A spiked helmet
- D. An improvised explosive device

_____ 9. What was the Byzantine Empire?

- A. An alliance ruled by the Pope
- B. A confederation of European tribes
- C. A continuation of the Roman Empire
- D. The empire founded by Alexander the Great

_____ 10. Which came first?

- A. The Bronze Age
- B. The Paleolithic
- C. The Neolithic
- D. Classical Antiquity

Answer Sheet:

1. B

2. C

3. A

4. A

5. C

6. B

7. D

8. A

9. C

10. B