ENGLAND GCSE HISTORY AQA · UNIT 3 · 25 QUESTIONS

Britain: Health and the People, c1000 to the Present Day — Practice Test

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1 **What did the 1918 flu pandemic show about disease?**

- A It could spread worldwide
- B It was caused by dirty water
- C It only affected soldiers
- D It could be cured by penicillin

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2 **In which decade did the NHS begin?**

- A The 1940s
- B In the 1980s
- C In the 1920s after the war
- D In the 1960s

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3 **What did the Beveridge Report recommend in 1942?**

- A A return to private medicine
- B A welfare state
- C Higher taxes on the sick
- D The end of all hospitals

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4 **Which scientist showed that dirty water spread cholera?**

- A Edwin Chadwick
- B Louis Pasteur
- C John Snow
- D Joseph Lister

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5 **In which year did Jenner carry out his first smallpox vaccination?**

- A 1800
- B 1790
- C 1806
- D 1796

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6 **What did the government introduce in 1911 to help sick workers?**

A Free school meals for children

B National Insurance

C The National Health Service

D Old age pensions for everyone

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7 **Which disease was common in industrial towns because of dirty water?**

A Typhoid

B Cancer

C Smallpox

D Plague

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8 **Who developed the first vaccine against smallpox in 1796?**

- A Louis Pasteur
- B Robert Koch
- C Edward Jenner
- D Joseph Lister

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9 **What did the printing press help spread in the Renaissance?**

- A Secrets of the monasteries
- B The Black Death
- C Medical ideas
- D The four humours only

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10 **What is the main cause of death in Britain today?**

A Heart disease

B Plague

C Infectious diseases like cholera

D Smallpox

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11 **Which war helped surgery advance because of many wounded soldiers?**

A The Crimean War of the 1850s

B The First World War

C The Napoleonic Wars in Europe

D The Boer War in South Africa

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12 **In which century did the Black Death first reach England?**

- A Twelfth century
- B Sixteenth century
- C The seventeenth century
- D Fourteenth century

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13 **Who became famous as the Lady with the Lamp in the Crimean War?**

- A Mary Seacole, a Jamaican nurse
- B Edith Cavell, a wartime nurse
- C Florence Nightingale
- D Elizabeth Garrett, a woman doctor

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14 **Who developed germ theory in France in the 1860s?**

A Joseph Lister

B Florence Nightingale

C Robert Koch

D Louis Pasteur

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15 **Why did Renaissance ideas challenge Galen?**

A The Church banned Galen books

B Dissection showed errors

C Galen books were all lost

D Doctors stopped dissecting bodies

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16 **What did the NHS provide when it began in 1948?**

- A Free food for all families
- B Free healthcare
- C Free transport across Britain
- D Free housing for everyone

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17 **What did Florey and Chain do with penicillin?**

- A Discovered it by accident
- B Mass produced it
- C Tested it only on animals
- D Sold it as a food supplement

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18 **What did medieval doctors use to diagnose illness?**

A Blood tests

B Microscopes

C Urine

D X-rays

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19 **What did the government do about slum housing in the 1800s?**

A Built palaces for the poor

B Ignored housing completely

C Moved everyone to the countryside

D Passed housing laws

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20 **In which year did Koch identify the germ that causes cholera?**

A 1883

B 1884

C 1880

D 1882

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21 **What happened to medical training in the Renaissance?**

A Doctors stopped reading books

B Dissection was banned forever

C Surgery became a university degree

D Dissection increased

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22 **Which organisation provides most healthcare in Britain today?**

A Private hospitals only

B Local councils in each town

C The Church of England

D The NHS

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23 **Who discovered penicillin in 1928?**

A Ernst Chain

B Louis Pasteur

C Howard Florey of Oxford University

D Alexander Fleming

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24 **What was a medieval monastery known for in medicine?**

A Running public hospitals for all

B Making medicines from chemicals

C Caring for the sick

D Training surgeons in anatomy

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25 **Who wrote a report in 1842 linking poverty and disease in Britain?**

A Joseph Bazalgette

B John Snow

C Edwin Chadwick

D Florence Nightingale

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ANSWER KEY

1.	A	**10.**	A	**19.**	D
2.	A	**11.**	B	**20.**	A
3.	B	**12.**	D	**21.**	D
4.	C	**13.**	C	**22.**	D
5.	D	**14.**	D	**23.**	D
6.	B	**15.**	B	**24.**	C
7.	A	**16.**	B	**25.**	C
8.	C	**17.**	B		
9.	C	**18.**	C		

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