ENGLAND GCSE HISTORY AQA · UNIT 4 · 25 QUESTIONS

Elizabethan England, c1568-1603 — Practice Test

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1 **What did most Elizabethan farmers grow?**

A Tea

B Potatoes

C Coffee

D Wheat

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2 **In which year did the Religious Settlement begin?**

- A 1560
- B 1558
- C 1563
- D 1559

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3 **What did the Church of England keep from Catholic worship?**

- A Bishops and robes
- B Mass in Latin every day
- C Monks in every parish
- D The Pope as its head

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4 **What did the Elizabethan poor eat most often?**

- A Sugar
- B Meat
- C Potatoes
- D Bread

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5 **Who led the Northern Rebellion of 1569?**

- A The Earl of Leicester, a Protestant courtier
- B The Duke of Norfolk, a Catholic noble
- C The Earl of Essex, a favourite of the Queen
- D The Earls of Northumberland and Westmorland

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6 **How did England first hear that the Armada had been sighted?**

- A A signal from the French fleet
- B A message from the Pope
- C A letter from Spain
- D Beacon fires

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7 **In which year was Mary Queen of Scots executed?**

- A 1586
- B 1588
- C 1587
- D 1589

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8 **What was the Elizabethan Religious Settlement of 1559?**

- A A ban on all church services
- B A middle way in religion
- C A return to Catholic rule
- D A new church run by the Pope

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9 **What did Drake steal from the Spanish on his voyage?**

- A Ships for the navy
- B Treasure
- C Maps of England
- D Food for London

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10 **What was the main job of a Justice of the Peace in Elizabethan England?**

- A Keep order locally
- B Command the army in war
- C Collect taxes for the Queen
- D Run the courts in London

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11 **Who were the deserving poor in Elizabethan England?**

- A Able bodied beggars
- B Travelling actors and players
- C The old and sick
- D Vagabonds who refused work

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12 **What was the main Catholic threat to Elizabeth from abroad?**

- A France
- B Scotland
- C Spain
- D The Netherlands

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13 **Why was Elizabeth's marriage a political problem?**

- A Marriage was banned for queens
- B She was too young to marry
- C No man wanted to marry her
- D A husband could take power

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14 **What was life like for the poor in Elizabethan towns?**

A Hard and uncertain

B Comfortable and secure

C Free from disease

D Wealthy and well fed

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15 **In which year did the Spanish Armada sail against England?**

A 1589

B 1586

C 1587

D 1588

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16 **Who traded in enslaved Africans for England in the 1560s?**

A Francis Drake

B Walter Raleigh

C John Hawkins

D Humphrey Gilbert

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17 **In which year did Elizabeth become Queen?**

A 1559

B 1558

C 1553

D 1560

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18 **What was the main reason towns grew in Elizabethan England?**

A Trade

B Mining

C Shipbuilding

D Farming

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19 **Who tried to set up a colony in Virginia in the 1580s?**

A Martin Frobisher

B Francis Drake

C Walter Raleigh

D John Hawkins

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20 **Who ran the secret service that uncovered plots against Elizabeth?**

- **A** Francis Walsingham, her spymaster
- **B** Walter Raleigh
- **C** Robert Dudley
- **D** William Cecil, her chief minister

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21 **What was the population of England in Elizabethan times?**

- **A** About 30 million
- **B** About 3 million
- **C** About 13 million
- **D** About 300,000

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22 **What was the Babington Plot of 1586?**

- A A plot to invade Spain by sea
- B A plot to kill Mary Stuart
- C A plot to kill Elizabeth
- D A plot to steal the crown jewels

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23 **What was the main source of Elizabeth income?**

- A Taxes and customs
- B Loans from the Spanish king
- C Money from the Pope
- D Gold from the Americas

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24 **Which church did Elizabeth make the official church of England?**

A Church of Scotland

B Presbyterian Church

C Church of England

D Roman Catholic Church

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25 **What happened to the Roanoke colony?**

A It disappeared

B It moved to New England

C It was captured by Spain

D It became a great city

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ANSWER KEY

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

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