IOWA WORLD HISTORY · UNIT 1 · 10 QUESTIONS

Early Civilizations and Classical Empires — Practice Test

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1 **Which Chinese ruler unified China and began work on early sections of the Great Wall?**

A Confucius

B Laozi

C Qin Shi Huang

D Kublai Khan

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2 **Which religion that began in India teaches dharma, karma, and reincarnation?**

A Judaism

B Christianity

C Islam

D Hinduism

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3 **Siddhartha Gautama, known as the Buddha, taught that suffering could be reduced by following what?**

A The Eightfold Path

B A code of Roman law

C The Mandate of Heaven

D A system of feudal duties

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4 **Which Greek thinker is known for asking questions to test ideas and beliefs?**

A Pericles

B Socrates

C Alexander

D Archimedes

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5 **Pericles is best associated with which period in Athens?**

A The Iron Age

B The Stone Age

C The Golden Age

D The Bronze Age

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6 **The Punic Wars were fought between Rome and which rival power?**

- A Egypt
- B Persia
- C Greece
- D Carthage

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7 **Which Roman contribution most directly influenced later legal systems in Europe?**

- A Roman law and codified legal principles
- B Roman farming tools
- C Roman ship designs
- D Roman coin weights

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8 **Which early American civilization grew maize, built large cities, and developed a calendar system?**

A The Vikings

B The Maya

C The Hittites

D The Phoenicians

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9 **In what year was Julius Caesar assassinated in Rome?**

ANSWER _____

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Source I - A Traveler on a Roman Road

Use this reading for question 10.

The road is straight and paved with fitted stones. Milestones mark the distance to the next town, and soldiers patrol the route. Merchants carry olive oil and grain in wagons, and a message sent from Rome can reach a distant province in days rather than weeks.

10 **Based on Source I, how did Roman roads help the empire?**

- **A** They stopped all farming
- **B** They replaced the Roman army
- **C** They improved travel, trade, and communication
- **D** They closed the borders

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ANSWER KEY

1.	C	**5.**	C	**9.**	44
2.	D	**6.**	D	**10.**	C
3.	A	**7.**	A		
4.	B	**8.**	B		

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