

HISTORY GK

What was the first ancient city discovered in India?

- a) Mohenjo-Daro
- b) Harappa
- c) Lothal
- d) Kalibangan

Answer: b) Harappa

Who said, "Swaraj is my birthright and I shall have it"?

- a) Subhas Chandra Bose
- b) Mahatma Gandhi
- c) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- d) Jawaharlal Nehru

Answer: c) Bal Gangadhar Tilak

Who was the political mentor of Mahatma Gandhi?

- a) Sardar Patel
- b) Jawaharlal Nehru
- c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- d) Bhagat Singh

Answer: c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale

Who was the first Muslim woman ruler of Northern India/Delhi?

- a) Razia Sultan
- b) Noor Jahan
- c) Mumtaz Mahal
- d) Jahanara Begum

Answer: a) Razia Sultan

Which city was the port city of the Indus Valley Civilization?

- a) Mohenjo-Daro
- b) Harappa
- c) Lothal
- d) Kalibangan

Answer: c) Lothal

Who was the founder of the Indian National Congress?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Sardar Patel
- c) A.O. Hume
- d) Bal Gangadhar Tilak

Answer: c) A.O. Hume

What is the name of the first sermon delivered by Mahatma Buddha?

- a) Nirvana Sutra
- b) Dhammachakkappavattana Sutta
- c) Mahaparinirvana Sutra
- d) Dharma Chakra Pravartan

Answer: b)

Dhammachakkappavattana Sutta

Which Veda is composed in both prose and verse?

- a) Rigveda
- b) Yajurveda
- c) Samaveda
- d) Atharvaveda

Answer: b) Yajurveda

Who started the first newspaper in India?

- a) Raja Rammohan Roy
- b) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- c) Mahatma Gandhi
- d) Sayyed Ahmad Khan

Answer: d) Sayyed Ahmad Khan

During whose reign did Buddhism split into Hinayana and Mahayana?

- a) Ashoka
- b) Kanishka
- c) Harsha
- d) Chandragupta Maurya

Answer: b) Kanishka

Who was the last ruler of the Lodi dynasty?

- a) Sikandar Lodi
- b) Ibrahim Lodi
- c) Bahlul Lodi
- d) Daulat Khan Lodi

Answer: b) Ibrahim Lodi

Where was the first Jain Council held?

- a) Pataliputra
- b) Sarnath
- c) Vaishali
- d) Shravasti

Answer: a) Pataliputra

Which Mughal ruler is known as "Aurangzeb"?

- a) Akbar
- b) Babur
- c) Shah Jahan
- d) Aurangzeb Alamgir

Answer: d) Aurangzeb Alamgir

Who was honored with the title "Shaheed-e-Azam" (Martyr) in the Indian freedom struggle?

- a) Mahatma Gandhi
- b) Bhagat Singh
- c) Subhas Chandra Bose
- d) Jawaharlal Nehru

Answer: b) Bhagat Singh

Whose death occurred during the protest against the Simon Commission through a lathi charge?

- a) Bhagat Singh
- b) Lala Lajpat Rai
- c) Jawaharlal Nehru
- d) Subhas Chandra Bose

Answer: b) Lala Lajpat Rai

Who were the pioneers of the Wahabi movement in India?

- a) Syed Ahmad Khan
- b) Syed Ahmed Bareilvi
- c) Bahadur Shah Zafar
- d) Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

Answer: b) Syed Ahmed Barelvi

Where did Lord Buddha attain Mahaparinirvana?

- a) Lumbini
- b) Bodh Gaya
- c) Sarnath
- d) Kushinagar

Answer: d) Kushinagar

Who presided over the first session of the Indian National Congress?

- a) Dadabhai Naoroji
- b) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- c) Bipin Chandra Pal
- d) Womesh Chunder Bonnerjee

Answer: d) Womesh Chunder Bonnerjee

In which temple is the famous Nataraja idol located, showcasing the art of Bharatanatyam?

- a) Somnath Temple
- b) Meenakshi Temple
- c) Badami Cave Temple
- d) Brihadeeswarar Temple

Answer: d) Brihadeeswarar Temple

In which language did Lord Buddha deliver his teachings?

- a) Sanskrit
- b) Pali
- c) Prakrit

d) Magadhi

Answer: b) Pali

Which ruler completed the construction of the Qutub Minar?

- a) Alauddin Khilji
- b) Babur
- c) Iltutmish
- d) Akbar

Answer: c) Iltutmish

Which field is the book "Lilavati" related to?

- a) Medicine
- b) Music
- c) Mathematics
- d) Literature

Answer: c) Mathematics

Who commissioned the famous Kailashnath Temple at Ellora, known for its rock-cut architecture?

- a) Chola Dynasty
- b) Maurya Dynasty
- c) Gupta Dynasty
- d) Rashtrakuta Dynasty

Answer: d) Rashtrakuta Dynasty

During whose reign did the Chinese traveler Xuanzang visit India?

- a) Harsha
- b) Ashoka

- c) Chandragupta Maurya
- d) Akbar

Answer: a) Harsha

Who was the founder of Banaras Hindu University (B.H.U.)?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Madan Mohan Malaviya
- c) Rabindranath Tagore
- d) Sardar Patel

Answer: b) Madan Mohan Malaviya

Who was the first Governor-General of independent India?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Sardar Patel
- c) Lord Mountbatten
- d) Lord Canning

Answer: c) Lord Mountbatten

Whose coins featured the image of Goddess Lakshmi?

- a) Ashoka
- b) Harsha
- c) Muhammad Ghori
- d) Muhammad Ghazni

Answer: c) Muhammad Ghori

What was the capital of the Maurya Empire during the time of Emperor Ashoka?

- a) Taxila
- b) Pataliputra

- c) Magadha
- d) Vaishali

Answer: b) Pataliputra

Who is regarded as the philosopher-founder of the Bhakti movement in India?

- a) Kabir
- b) Ramanuja
- c) Chaitanya Mahaprabhu
- d) Shankaracharya

Answer: d) Shankaracharya

Which city was known as "Shiraz-e-Hind" (Lion of India)?

- a) Delhi
- b) Agra
- c) Jaunpur
- d) Hyderabad

Answer: c) Jaunpur

Who was the most famous ruler of the Chalukya dynasty?

- a) Pulakeshin I
- b) Pulakeshin II
- c) Vikramaditya VI
- d) Krishna I

Answer: b) Pulakeshin II

In the Second Battle of Tarain in 1192, who defeated Prithviraj Chauhan?

- a) Muhammad Ghori

- b) Muhammad Ghazni
- c) Alauddin Khilji
- d) Iltutmish

Answer: a) Muhammad Ghori

Who initiated the famous Silk Route connecting India with Central Asia and China?

- a) Ashoka
- b) Chandragupta Maurya
- c) Harsha
- d) Kanishka

Answer: d) Kanishka

Who was known as "Gulrukh"?

- a) Razia Sultan
- b) Noor Jahan
- c) Mumtaz Mahal
- d) Jahanara Begum

Answer: b) Noor Jahan

Which battle marked the beginning of British colonial rule in India?

- a) Battle of Plassey
- b) Battle of Buxar
- c) Battle of Panipat
- d) Battle of Plassey

Answer: a) Battle of Plassey

Who was the Maratha king who institutionalized the Maratha state's revenue collection system known as "Chauth"?

- a) Shivaji
- b) Bajirao I
- c) Peshwa Balaji Vishwanath
- d) Aurangzeb

Answer: a) Shivaji

Who was the 24th and last Tirthankara in Jainism?

- a) Rishabhanatha
- b) Mahavira
- c) Parshvanatha
- d) Adinatha

Answer: b) Mahavira

Which Upanishad contains the phrase "Satyamev Jayate" (Truth alone triumphs)?

- a) Chandogya Upanishad
- b) Mundaka Upanishad
- c) Aitareya Upanishad
- d) Kena Upanishad

Answer: b) Mundaka Upanishad

Who was the ruler of Delhi during the Battle of Buxar in 1764?

- a) Bahadur Shah II
- b) Shah Alam II
- c) Shah Jahan III
- d) Akbar II

Answer: b) Shah Alam II

Who introduced the first gold coins in India?

- a) Indo-Greeks
- b) Mauryas
- c) Kushanas
- d) Guptas

Answer: a) Indo-Greeks

Where is the definition of Ashoka's "Dhamma" found?

- a) Rock Edicts
- b) Pillar Edicts
- c) Minor Rock Edicts
- d) Major Rock Edicts

Answer: d) Major Rock Edicts

Who was the court painter of birds during the reign of Emperor Jahangir?

- a) Abanindranath Tagore
- b) M.F. Husain
- c) Ustad Mansur
- d) Raja Ravi Varma

Answer: c) Ustad Mansur

What city was known as "Kusumapura" during ancient times?

- a) Patna
- b) Varanasi
- c) Pataliputra
- d) Ujjain

Answer: a) Patna

Who is known for coining the term "Bhagavad Gita"?

- a) Vyasa
- b) Arjuna
- c) Lord Krishna
- d) Sanjaya

Answer: d) Sanjaya

Who was the first Mughal emperor to ascend the throne of India?

- a) Babur
- b) Humayun
- c) Akbar
- d) Shah Jahan

Answer: a) Babur

Which philosopher-historian called Akbar the "enemy of Islam"?

- a) Al-Biruni
- b) Ibn Battuta
- c) Ferishta
- d) Abu Fazl

Answer: c) Ferishta

Who was the first Acharya to philosophically establish Bhakti as a path to salvation?

- a) Ramanuja
- b) Chaitanya Mahaprabhu
- c) Vallabhacharya
- d) Guru Nanak

Answer: a) Ramanuja

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