

Past simple: regular and irregular verbs

Choose the correct answers.

**THE HISTORY QUIZ**

- 1 George Lucas made the first *Star Wars* film in
a the 60s b the 70s c the 80s
- 2 Leonardo da Vinci was born in the
a 11th century b 13th century c 15th century
- 3 Michael Jackson died in
a 2002 b 2009 c 2011
- 4 Bruce Lee made his first film when he was
a 6 b 17 c 31
- 5 The First World War was from
a 1910 to 1916 b 1914 to 1918 c 1916 to 1920
- 6 Walt Disney made the first Mickey Mouse cartoon more than
a 120 years ago b 100 years ago c 80 years ago
- 7 Neil Papworth sent the very first text message in
a 1987 b 1992 c 2001
- 8 The nuclear accident at Chernobyl happened in
a the 60s b the 70s c the 80s
- 9 Elizabeth I became Queen of England in the
a 16th century b 18th century c 20th century
- 10 The Berlin Wall came down in
a 1984 b 1989 c 1995
- 11 Madonna had her first hit record with *Holiday* when she was
a 15 b 19 c 25
- 12 The first journey by train was about
a 200 years ago b 300 years ago c 400 years ago

Instructions and Answer key

You will need: one copy of the worksheet per student

- Check/Pre-teach the following items of vocabulary: *cartoon, hit record, journey*.
- Divide the class into teams of three or four and give a copy of the worksheet to each student. Each team must decide on one correct answer for each question. Set a time limit of ten minutes.
- Check answers with the whole class (see Answer key) and give one point for each correct answer. The team with the most points are the winners.

ANSWER KEY

- 1 **b** (*Star Wars* was made in 1977.)
- 2 **c** (He was born in 1452.)
- 3 **b** (He died on June 25th 2009.)
- 4 **a** (He was a childhood movie star.)
- 5 **b**
- 6 **c** (*Steamboat Willie*, in 1928.)
- 7 **b**
- 8 **c** (It happened on April 26th 1986.)
- 9 **a** (She became Queen in 1558.)
- 10 **b** (It came down in November 1989.)
- 11 **c** (Madonna was born on August 16th 1958. *Holiday* was a hit in October 1983.)
- 12 **a** (The first public railway in the world opened in England in 1823.)