

## Alchemy Quiz: questions and answers



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- Purify, mature, and perfect certain objects
- Guess the future
- Make objects alive

2. What's the meaning of alchemy?

- Perfect certain objects
- Transmutation of earth
- To fuse or cast a metal

3. Which book belongs to the classics of alchemy?

- Shakespeare, "Macbeth"
- Tomás de Aquino, "Aurora Consurgens"
- Ben Jonson, "The Alchemist"

4. What is Chinese alchemy intertwined with?

- Mohism
- Chinese Naturalism
- Taoism

5. What important invention has to do with Chinese alchemy?

- Fermentation in food processing<sup>†</sup>
- Gunpowder

Feng shui

6. What's the Philosopher's stone?

- A drug
- A substance
- A stone worshiped by alchemists

7. Which famous scientist was also an alchemist?

- Freeman Dyson
- Richard Bube
- Isaac Newton

8. What's the Aqua vitae?

- Distilled water
- Regular water
- A liquid obtained by the philosopher's stone

9. What was alchemy called in the Middle Ages?

- Alchemy
- Pseudoscience
- Ars chimica

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- To get easy money
- The study of what surrounds us
- The search for the philosopher's stone

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### Right answers

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