

Quiz: Trivia Questions on the History of Painting

1. In what cave was found the world's oldest (in 2023) image of a camel?

- Kapova Cave in Russia
- Cave of Altamira in Spain
- Cave of the Trois-Frères in France

2. The first time modern civilization became acquainted with the objects of ancient painting is not so long ago. It happened when amateur archaeologist Marcelino Sanz de Sautuola accidentally stumbled upon the Altamira Cave. In what year did this happen?

- In 1725
- In 1879
- In 1949

3. Sumi-e is a ...

- a type of Chinese painting
- ninth century Korean painting
- Japanese kind of Chinese painting

4. After the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D., Pompeii and Herculaneum were rained with ashes. What did it do to the Roman wall paintings in these cities?

- conserved it, preserving it
- destroyed it completely.

5. This great artist was born on April 15, 1452 in the village of Anchiano. Giorgio Vasari, in his famous collection of 178 biographies of Renaissance artists of Italy, told a story about him that is called "The Legend of the Medusa Shield."

- Raphael Santi
- Sandro Botticelli
- Leonardo da Vinci

6. This early Renaissance painter was world famous for paintings such as Spring, Venus and Mars, and The Birth of Venus.

- Sandro Botticelli
- Titian
- Caravaggio

7. What was the name of the Italian artist who is considered the first famous Renaissance painter?

- Joretta Fioroni
- Sofonisba Angvissola
- Francesca Leone

8. Gnathia is a ...

- a type of cave painting
- a type of ancient pottery that was painted by ancient Greek craftsmen
- famous painting by Pablo Picasso

9. "The Starry Night" is one of Vincent Van Gogh's most famous paintings. Where was he when he painted it?

- In a bookstore in Dordrecht.
- In Brussels, in one of the studios of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts
- In a hospital for the mentally ill in Saint-Rémy-de-Provence.

10. The first important exhibition of the Impressionists took place in the studio of the photographer Nadar. What year?

- B 1812
- B 1874
- B 1908

11. From whom did Pablo Picasso get his famous last name?

- From his father.
- From his mother.
- Picasso isn't a last name, it's a pseudonym. He made it up himself.

12. In what country did Impressionism originate?

- In Italy

- France
- In Belgium

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