



EUROKNOW. Senior version

Set n. 1

## HISTORY

- 00/ To which dynasty does Emperor Charles I of Spain and V of Germany belong? **The Habsburg dynasty.**
- 01/ Which member of the House of Bourbon in Spain was the first to assume the title of King of Spain? **Philip V**
- 02/ In which year was Felipe González appointed as the new head of the Spanish government, succeeding Adolfo Suárez? **Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo**
- 03/ Who was the first President of the Autonomous Community of Madrid? **Joaquín Leguina**
- 04/ In which European capital city did one of the most destructive earthquakes in history occur in 1755? **Lisbon**
- 05/ Who was the primary catalyst for Italian unification in the latter half of the nineteenth century, in addition to Count Cavour? **Giuseppe Garibaldi**
- 06/ What is the medieval religious movement that rejected the veneration of images and promoted their destruction called? **Iconoclasm**
- 07/ In what year did Estonia gain independence from the USSR? **1991**
- 08/ The year 2005 marked the 60th anniversary of the conclusion of which historical event? **The end of the Second World War**
- 09/ Who was assassinated in Sarajevo on 28 July 1914, thereby precipitating the First World War? **Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to Emperor Franz Joseph.**
- 10/ The printing press was created in the 15th century. When was it invented and who invented it? **Johannes Gutenberg invented it in Maguncia**



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- 11/ What public and architectural works made by the Roman Empire persist in European countries? Name at least three. **Viaduct, Roman road, basilica, stadium, bridge, aqueduct, tower, city walls**
- 12/ Which European country was the first to enact legislation allowing women to be elected to Parliament based on universal suffrage for both men and women? **Finland in 1906**
- 13/ In what animal form did Zeus abduct Europa? **In the form of a bull**
- 14/ Who served as the inaugural Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany (1949-1963) following the country's division and is regarded as one of the "fathers of Europe."?  
**Konrad Adenauer**
- 15/ Where was the peace that ended the Thirty Years' War in Germany and the Eighty Years' War between Spain and the Netherlands signed? **Westphalia**
- 16/ After which German city was the political regime in Germany from 1919 to 1933 named? **Weimar**
- 17/ In which European country did the "Carnation Revolution" take place? **Portugal**
- 18/ What is the name of the former member of the European Parliament for Bavaria who holds the rights to the Austro-Hungarian crown and is related to the Thyssen family? **Charles of Habsburg**
- 19/ In which century do Captain Alatriste's adventures take place? **The 17th century**
- 20/ Whom did Boabdil give Granada to? **The Catholic Monarchs of Spain**
- 21/ What were the names of the small kingdoms into which the Caliphate of Cordoba was divided after its dissolution? **Taifa kingdoms**



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- 22/ What did the US Congress decide in December 1947 in the framework of the Truman Doctrine that would influence the economic recovery of Europe after the Second World War? **The Marshall Plan**
- 23/ What event that will shape the history of Europe started in 1789? **The French Revolution**
- 24/ Under which king did the Count Duke of Olivares serve? **Philip IV of Spain**
25. Which name was Vladimir Ilyich Ulyanov known by? **Lenin**
26. Which pope inaugurated the Second Vatican Council? **John XXIII**
27. What was the name of the satellite launched by the Soviets in the 1950s? **Sputnik**
28. In what year was the Berlin Wall built? **1961**
29. In which country did Ceausescu rule until 1989? (**Socialist Republic of**) **Romania**
30. Which Social Democratic politician and Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany was the leading exponent of Ostpolitik, the policy of rapprochement with East Germany and the countries of the Soviet bloc? **Willy Brandt**
31. What is the meaning of the acronym UCD, the party of which Adolfo Suarez was a member? **Unión de Centro Democrático (Democratic Centre Union)**
- 32/ Which trade union did Lech Wałęsa set up in Poland in 1979? **Solidarity ("Solidarność" in Polish).**
- 33/ Which was the last European country to abolish slavery once and for all? **Spain (1886)**
- 34/ What was the political wing of the IRA called? **Sinn Féin**
- 35/ Is there a European army? **No**



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- 36/ Which was the first European country to gain independence from the Ottoman Empire? **Greece (1830)**
- 37/ What international event was the Eiffel Tower built for? **For the Universal Exhibition of 1889**
- 38/ Where is the palace of Knossos, the origin of the Minoan civilization? **Crete**
- 39/ Who was the leading power in the Peloponnesian Wars against Athens? **Sparta**
- 40/ Which famous Macedonian was Aristotle's pupil? **Alexander the Great**
- 41/ Who was the first Roman emperor? **Octavian Augustus**
- 42/ In today's European countries with a reigning monarchy, is the relationship between the king and the people one of vassalage? **No, currently the reigning monarchies in Europe are constitutional: the citizens are sovereigns, not subjects**
- 43/ Which people reached to almost every corner of Europe coming from the Nordic kingdoms? **The Vikings**
- 44/ What is the name of the disease that killed millions of people across Europe in the 14th century and decimated its population? **Bubonic plague/Black Death**
- 45/ What religion did the Roman Emperor Constantine profess? **Christianity**
- 46/ What is the name of the treaty which, in 1494, established the boundaries of the areas of exploration and conquest of the newly discovered lands for Castile and Portugal? **Treaty of Tordesillas**
- 47/ What was the myth that the Spanish conquerors of America had in mind about the existence of a supposed kingdom where gold and precious stones abounded? **The myth of El Dorado**
- 48/ Which Italian writer was one of the creators of Political Science and whose doctrine is mainly contained in the work *The Prince*? **Machiavelli**



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- 49/ What is the name of the European intellectual movement of the 15th and 16th centuries, characterised by a rationalist vision of humanity and the recovery of the "classical"? **Humanism/ Renaissance**
- 50/ Is the population of the countries of the European Union divided into estates such as the nobility, the clergy and the common people? **No, it is a division typical of the Middle Ages**
- 51/ What is the religious reform movement that rejected Catholic dogma and denied papal authority and began with the document known as the *95 Theses of Wittenberg*? **Protestant Reformation**
- 52/ In what century were these three important scientists: Galileo, Kepler and Newton? **17th century**
- 53/ What is the name of the document that proclaimed liberty, equality of persons and national sovereignty in the French Revolution of 1789? **The Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen.**
- 54/ Who was the most known leader of the "Jacobins" during the French Revolution? **Robespierre**
- 55/ What is the name of the decisive battle in Napoleon's defeat? **Battle of Waterloo**
- 56/ Which political attitude in the second half of the 18th century was characterized by the desire to reconcile absolutism with the need for reform and whose motto was "All for the people but without the people"? **Enlightened Despotism**
- 57/ What was the second largest and second most important European colonial empire in the 19th century after the British? **The French Colonial Empire**
- 58/ Who were Germany's two main allies in the First World War? **The Austro-Hungarian Empire and the Ottoman Empire.**



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59/ What is the name of the French writer and pilot who was shot down in his plane during the Second World War and who wrote, among other things, *The Little Prince*?  
**Antoine de Saint-Exupéry**

60/ What was the name of the powerful chancellor who oversaw the unification of the German Empire, which culminated in 1871? **Otto von Bismarck**

61/ In which French region did the Allies land in World War II to attack Nazi domination?  
**Normandy**

62/ Which two Yugoslav republics became independent first in 1991? **Slovenia and Croatia**

63/ Which Allied countries took control of one of the four parts Germany was divided after its defeat in World War II?  
**France, United Kingdom, the United States and the USSR.**

64/ In what year did the Berlin Wall fall? **1989**

65/ In the year 711, the Islamic religion was introduced to the Iberian Peninsula. What was the name of the dynasty responsible for the expansion of Islam at that time?  
**The Umayyad Dynasty**

66/ What was the designation applied in ancient Athens and other Greek cities to the exile imposed upon citizens for political reasons? **Ostracism**

67/ What was the name given to the class of citizens in ancient Rome who did not hold citizenship? **Plebeians**

68/ In which year did a Scottish missionary and physician first arrive in Africa, and what was the date of the mapping of the places he discovered, including the famous Victoria Falls (named after Britain's Queen Victoria)? **David Livingstone**

69/ Which international organisation, comprising the majority of democratic states in Western Europe, was established in 1949 at the instigation of the USA, thereby creating a significant Western military alliance against the USSR? **NATO**



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- 70/ Which three countries form the Benelux countries? **Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg**
- 71/ Which international organisation, headquartered in Strasbourg, was established in 1949 with the objective of defending human rights? **Council of Europe**
- 72/ Name the Spanish philosopher and essayist renowned for his humanist critique of modern civilisation, author of the seminal text, *The Revolt of the Masses*. **José Ortega y Gasset**
- 73/ Which war resulted in the State of Israel in 1948? **World War II and the Holocaust**
- 74/ Who was the Austro-Hungarian journalist who established the Zionist movement, which advocated the establishment of a Jewish state in Israel? **Theodor Herzl**
- 75/ Name the French general and President who led the resistance movement in exile (1958-1969) against the Nazi occupation of France. **Charles de Gaulle**
- 76/ Which German Prime Minister, who was re-elected on four occasions, is regarded as the principal figure in the process of German reunification? **Helmut Kohl**
- 77/ Which transatlantic country played the most pivotal role in determining the Allied victory over the Central Powers in the First World War? **The United States**
- 78/ Which European country, inventor of democracy, is considered the cradle of Western civilization? **Greece**
- 79/ Which Catholic saint, founder of the Benedictine order, is considered one of the six patron saints of Europe? **Saint Benedict of Nursia**
- 80/ Which emperor, whose coronation as such in the 9th century in Rome signified the de facto restoration of the Western Roman Empire, is regarded as the progenitor of Europe? **Charlemagne**
- 81/ The invasion of which European country most clearly demonstrated Hitler's expansionist intentions, leading Great Britain and France to abandon their



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previously adopted policy of appeasement, which was perceived as being suicidal? **Czechoslovakia**

82/ In which Spanish autonomous community are the renowned prehistoric caves of Altamira situated? **Cantabria**

83/ Which ancient city, renowned for its valiant resistance to the Roman army under the command of Publius Cornelius Scipio, can be explored today in Soria? **Numantia**

84/ Which Swiss French architect, who disseminated his theories on modern architecture through the periodical L'Esprit Nouveau, which he himself established, is regarded as the most significant influence on 20th-century architectural thought? **Le Corbusier**

85/ Which Roman civil engineering work is considered significant in Spain? **The aqueduct of Segovia**

86/ What derogatory term have the followers of the French received in Spain since the 18th century? **"Afrancesados"**

87/ What is the name of the European cultural movement that developed during the 18th century, whose objective was to dispel the darkness of humanity through the lights of reason? **The Enlightenment**

88/ Which French emperor, defeated in the battle of Waterloo, said "Genius is the art of opportunity"? **Napoleon Bonaparte**

89/ Which Spanish monarch said the famous phrase "The Sun does not set on the Empire"? **Philip II**

90/ Which famous Polish musician lived for some time in Valldemossa (Majorca)? **Frédéric Chopin**

91/ Which Spanish musician is the author of "Iberia", considered one of the greatest piano compositions of the 20th century? **Isaac Albéniz**



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- 92/ Which Renaissance painter from Florence painted *The Birth of Venus*? **Sandro Botticelli**
- 93/ Which Norwegian expressionist painter is the author of the famous painting *The Scream*? **Edvard Munch**
- 94/ Which Spanish painter portrayed Saturn devouring his son? **Francisco de Goya**
- 95/ Which Irish author wrote *The Happy Prince*? **Oscar Wilde**
- 96/ The statues of which kings, coming from the Germanic peoples, can be seen in the Plaza de Oriente in Madrid? **The Visigothic kings**
- 97/ Under the mandate of which great strategist and orator, who initiated the construction of the Acropolis, did Athens know its cultural and political splendor? **Pericles**
- 98/ What are the four oldest universities in Europe? **Bologna, Oxford, Paris and Palencia**
- 99/ Which king's tomb can we visit in Covadonga, according to the famous legend of the first Asturian monarch who initiated the Reconquest? **Don Pelayo's**



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