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Life In The UK Test

TEST RESULTS -3rd revised study materials

**1. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? All member states of the Commonwealth were once part of the British Empire.**

- True
- **False**

The Commonwealth is an association of countries that support each other and work together towards shared goals in democracy and development. Most member states were once part of the British Empire, although a few countries which were not have also joined.

**2. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? The Reformation failed in Scotland and the country remained strongly Catholic.**

- True
- **False**

Scotland was strongly influenced by Protestant ideas. In 1560, the predominantly Protestant Scottish Parliament abolished the authority of the Pope in Scotland and Roman Catholic religious services became illegal.

**3. In which year did Guy Fawkes attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament?**

- **1605**
- 1705
- 1805
- 1905

In 1605 Guy Fawkes led a group of Catholics in a failed plot to kill the Protestant king with a bomb in the Houses of Parliament.

**4. William III of England, Wales and Ireland was which king of Scotland?**

- William I
- William III
- William IV
- **William II**

When William of Orange reached England, there was no resistance. James fled to France and William took over the throne, becoming William III in England, Wales and Ireland, and William II of Scotland.

**5. Which of the following statements is correct?**

- More than 190 countries belong to NATO.
- **More than 190 countries belong to the United Nations.**

The UK is part of the United Nations (UN), an international organisation with more than 190 countries as members.

**6. After the Battle of Culloden, who lost a lot of their power and influence?**

- The king
- **The clans**
- The army
- The Church

The clans lost a lot of their power and influence after Culloden. Chieftains became landlords if they had the favour of the English king, and clansmen became tenants who had to pay for the land they used.

**7. The year 2013 saw which country join the EU?**

- **Croatia**
- Turkey
- Finland
- Iceland

There are now 27 EU member states. Croatia will also become a member state in 2013.

**8. In which TWO places are arrangements different for taking the Life in the UK Test?**

- Scotland
- Northern Ireland
- **Isle of Man**
- **Channel Islands**

If you live on the Isle of Man or in the Channel Islands, there are different arrangements for taking the Life in the UK test.

**9. Other Protestant Christian groups in the UK are Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and which of the following?**

- Shintoists
- Druids
- **Quakers**
- Rastafarians

Other Protestant Christian groups in the UK are Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and Quakers. There are also other denominations of Christianity, the biggest of which is Roman Catholic.

**10. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? There are a total of five notes in UK currency - £5, £10, £20, £50 and £100.**

- True
- **False**

The denominations (values) of UK notes are £5, £10, £20 and £50.

**11. Which annual flower show in London exhibits garden designs from around the world?**

- South Bank
- Covent Garden
- **Chelsea**
- Kensington

The annual Chelsea Flower Show showcases garden design from Britain and around the world.

**12. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? Having a National Insurance Number proves that someone is entitled to work in the UK.**

True

**False**

A non-UK national living in the UK and looking for work, starting work or setting up as self-employed will need a National Insurance number. However, you can start work without one.

**13. May anyone look at the electoral register?**

- No, only government officials can look at the register
- **Yes, but only under supervision**

By law, each local authority has to make its electoral register available for anyone to look at, although this has to be supervised.

**14. The 1960s was a period of dramatic social change. What were they known as?**

- The Sexy Sixties
- The Serious Sixties
- **The Swinging Sixties**
- The Sensuous Sixties

The decade of the 1960s was a period of significant social change. It was known as 'the Swinging Sixties'.

**15. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? The BBC began the world's first regular television service in 1936.**

- **True**
- False

The BBC started radio broadcasts in 1922 and began the world's first regular television service in 1936.

**16. Which of the following statements is correct?**

- **From the late 19th century there was discussion about the future of Empire, with many believing it should expand and others seeing its size as a drain on resources.**
- From the late 19th century public opinion swung towards the consensus that the Empire's size was a drain on resources.

Although the British Empire continued to grow until the 1920s, there was already discussion in the late 19th century about its future direction. Supporters of expansion believed that the Empire benefited Britain through increased trade and commerce. Others thought the Empire had become over-expanded and that the frequent conflicts in many parts of the Empire, such as India's north-west frontier or southern Africa, were a drain on resources.

**17. Which TWO of the following are 20th-century British discoveries or inventions?**

- **The Turing Machine**

- X-Ray machines
- **Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)**
- Digital calculators

A Turing machine is a theoretical mathematical device invented by Alan Turing (1912–54), a British mathematician, in the 1930s. Sir Peter Mansfield (1933–), a British scientist, is the co-inventor of the MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) scanner.

**18. Are voter registrations forms only available in English?**

- Yes, they are only available in English
- **No, they are also available in Welsh and other languages**
- You can download voter registration forms in English, Welsh and some other languages.

**19. What is the capital city of Wales?**

- Newport
- **Cardiff**
- Swansea
- Plymouth

The capital city of Wales is Cardiff.

**20. Which of the following statements is correct?**

- **The Scottish Parliament was formed in 1999.**
- The Scottish Parliament was formed in 2001.
- The Scottish Parliament was formed in 1999. It sits in Edinburgh, the capital city of Scotland.

**21. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? Sir Ian Botham captained the England rugby team.**

- True
- **False**

Sir Ian Botham (1955–) captained the English cricket team.

**22. Which of the following statements is correct?**

- The Wimbledon Championships are associated with athletics.
- **The Wimbledon Championships are associated with tennis.**

The most famous tennis tournament hosted in Britain is The Wimbledon Championships.

**23. Is the statement below TRUE or FALSE? The Republic of Ireland is a part of the UK.**

- True
- **False**

The UK is made up of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The rest of Ireland is an independent country.

**24. What nationality was George I?**

- **German**
- Scottish
- English
- French

When Queen Anne died in 1714, Parliament chose a German, George I, to be the next king, because he was Anne's nearest Protestant relative.