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Revision

African Americans in the early twentieth century

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Test your knowledge of African Americans in the early twentieth century with these multiple-choice questions. Answers can be found on the final page.

Questions

1 When was the NAACP founded?

- a 1905
- b 1909
- c 1913

2 Who founded the Tuskegee Institute?

- a Booker T. Washington
- b W. E. B. Du Bois
- c Marcus Garvey

3 Which of the following founded the Alpha Suffrage Club in Chicago?

- a Dorothy Height
- b Ida Wells
- c Mary Ovington

4 When was the Niagara Movement founded?

- a 1905
- b 1909
- c 1913

5 Who wrote *The souls of Black Folk*?

- a Booker T Washington
- b W. E. B. Du Bois
- c Marcus Garvey

- 6** By 1913, what was the literacy rate of African Americans?
- a** 50%
 - b** 60%
 - c** 70%
- 7** In which of the following cities were there serious race riots lasting two weeks in July 1919?
- a** Detroit
 - b** Chicago
 - c** New York
- 8** How many African Americans served in the First World War?
- a** 150,000
 - b** 250,000
 - c** 350,000
- 9** In which city did the Harlem Renaissance occur?
- a** Detroit
 - b** Chicago
 - c** New York
- 10** Which of the following was a trumpeter and bandleader?
- a** Louis Armstrong
 - b** Duke Ellington
 - c** Paul Robeson
- 11** Who founded the Universal Negro Improvement Association?
- a** Booker T. Washington
 - b** W. E. B. Du Bois
 - c** Marcus Garvey
- 12** Who launched the newspaper, *The Negro World*?
- a** Marcus Garvey
 - b** Philip Randolph
 - c** Walter White
- 13** Who organised a mass march in New York in 1917?
- a** Marcus Garvey
 - b** Philip Randolph
 - c** Walter White

- 14** Who founded a black trade union for railroad porters?
- a** Philip Randolph
 - b** Samuel Gompers
 - c** Addie Wyatt
- 15** Who was the African American boxer who became world champion in 1938?
- a** Cassius Clay
 - b** Joe Louis
 - c** Joe Frazier
- 16** What was the black population of New York by 1920?
- a** 50,000
 - b** 100,000
 - c** 200,000
- 17** Who, in 1928, was the first African American elected to Congress since 1900?
- a** Walter White
 - b** Philip Randolph
 - c** Oscar de Priest
- 18** How many members of the NAACP were there by the early 1920s?
- a** 90,000
 - b** 190,000
 - c** 290,000
- 19** In which state were the Springfield Riots of 1908?
- a** Arkansas
 - b** Illinois
 - c** Alabama
- 20** The pro-KKK movie, *The Birth of a Nation*, was released in what year?
- a** 1910
 - b** 1915
 - c** 1920

Answers can be found on the next page.

Answers

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| 1 | b |
| 2 | a |
| 3 | b |
| 4 | a |
| 5 | b |
| 6 | c |
| 7 | b |
| 8 | c |
| 9 | c |
| 10 | a |
| 11 | c |
| 12 | a |
| 13 | b |
| 14 | a |
| 15 | b |
| 16 | c |
| 17 | c |
| 18 | a |
| 19 | b |
| 20 | b |

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