ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Reading Comprehension Multiple Choice Questions Exercise 7

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Explanations

1. **Cosmetics have been _____.**
   ✓ E) used by people since ancient times
   The first sentence says cosmetics **have been used for thousands of years**, and the passage mentions ancient Egypt. So people have **used** them **since ancient times**. Not 'found in jars in museums': the museums show the jars and bottles, not the cosmetics themselves.

2. **Cosmetics not only make people look good but also _____.**
   ✓ C) help maintain an appearance of health
   The passage says that today cosmetics are used **to improve the appearance** of people and **to make them appear healthy**. So they help people keep **an appearance of health**. Not 'established the social rank of people': the passage connects rank only with face painting in some tribes.

3. **Egyptians used jars and bottles _____.**
   ✓ D) for both decoration and to hold their cosmetics
   The passage describes **beautiful jars and bottles** that held **oils and perfumes**. Their beauty suggests decoration, and the oils and perfumes are cosmetics. The other options are not mentioned in the passage.

4. **In 1492, Columbus _____.**
   ✓ B) started travelling towards Asia
   The passage says Columbus's **destination was not America**. He sailed west to reach **the Indies**, which means Asia. Not 'wanted to become rich by sailing to America': he did not even know America existed.

5. **Spices, silks and other treasures _____.**
   ✓ D) from Asia were brought to Europe
   The passage says **the Indies** (Asia) were a source of riches **for Europeans**, and that spices and silks were **greatly valued by Europeans**. So these treasures came **from Asia** and were brought **to Europe**. Not 'were from the West Indies': Columbus only **believed** those islands were Asia.

6. **Columbus believed _____.**
   ✓ E) he had reached Asia
   The last sentence says that when Columbus reached the West Indies, **he believed he had reached Asia**. That is why he called the people there **'Indians'**. The other options are not stated in the passage.

7. **The first clocks _____.**
   ✓ C) could only be made after the day had been divided into time periods
   The first sentence says that **in order to create the first clock**, humans **had to divide the day into hours and minutes**. So clocks could only be made after this division. Not 'were made by the Babylonians': the Babylonians divided the hour into minutes, but the passage does not say they made the first clocks.

8. **Today _____.**
   ✓ E) the atomic clock remains the most accurate clock in the world
   The passage says the atomic clock **remains the world's most accurate clock**, and **remains** tells us this is still true today. Not the quartz option: quartz clocks are **second in accuracy only to** the atomic clock, so they are less accurate.

9. **The Chinese _____.**
   ✓ C) used the same type of water clock as the Greeks and Romans did
   The passage says the Greeks and Romans **used water clocks, which had been developed by the Chinese**. So the Chinese used the same type of water clock. Not 'developed the first mechanical clocks': these were **developed in Europe in the 1300s**.

10. **Although his military service was completed in 1911, _____.**
    ✓ D) he had to return to the army at the beginning of the Balkan Wars
    The passage says he completed his military service in 1911 **but was recalled into the army** during the Balkan Wars. So he had to go back to the army. Not 'he started to work for a major newspaper': he worked for a magazine, and only after the war.

11. **The attraction of his writing style comes from _____.**
    ✓ B) its simplicity and originality
    The passage says the appeal of his stories **lies in his unique style and his use of simple modern Turkish**, and that his topics were **original**. So the attraction comes from **simplicity and originality**. The other options are not mentioned as reasons.

12. Due to his usage of a simple language style, _____.
✓ A) he is considered one of the leaders of modern Turkish literature
The last sentence says he was **a leader in modern Turkish literature**, **advocating for a simple language style**. So his simple style made him one of its leaders. The passage mentions no disagreement or confusion about his writing.

13. The Gulf War was the first war in which _____.
✓ C) there was moment-by-moment coverage of a war that was shown on television
The passage describes **live coverage** with **minute-by-minute reports**, so people could follow the war **as it happened** on TV. This instant coverage was the new development. Not 'the world saw the events of the war on TV': earlier wars had been shown on TV too, but not live.

14. According to the passage, Peter Arnett was _____.
✓ E) the CNN reporter who told the world what was happening in the capital of Iraq
The passage says **CNN reporter Peter Arnett provided live coverage** of the situation in **Baghdad, the capital city of Iraq**. Not the camera option: reporters were not given **complete** freedom to use cameras, but they could still broadcast some scenes.

15. According to the passage, telephone lines _____.
✓ A) were never cut off
The passage says the telephone lines were **constantly open**, so they were **never cut off**. Not 'were the only means of communication': the passage calls them the **main** means, not the only one.

16. The famous film star John Wayne's real name was Marion Robert Morrison. He was born in Iowa, USA, on 26 May 1907 and died on 11 June 1979 in Los Angeles. John's fifty-year film career included over 170 films. As he was seen as a strong, large man who was quiet but mature, his real name, Marion, did not suit his acting persona.

John Wayne _____.
✓ D) was a mature actor
The passage says he was seen as a strong, large man who was **quiet but mature**. So he was a mature actor. Not 'was born with the last name Marion': Marion was his first name, and his last name was Morrison.

17. His film career _____.
✓ E) lasted for fifty years
The passage mentions John's **fifty-year film career**, so his career lasted for fifty years. It included over 170 films, so 'fewer than 100 films' is wrong.

18. According to the passage, his appearance _____.
✓ C) made people see him as a strong, quiet and mature man
The passage says **he was seen as a strong, large man who was quiet but mature**. That is how his appearance made people see him. This image did not suit the name **Marion**, so he used another name.

19. Turkey is today _____.
✓ A) considered to be one of the first places man settled in
The first sentence says historians consider Turkey **one of the birthplaces of civilization**, together with Egypt and the Fertile Crescent. So it is one of the first places people settled. Not 'the only birthplace': the passage names other places too.

20. According to the passage, the Anatolian region _____.
✓ E) has produced the remains of the earliest known urban society
The passage says **the fairly recent finds at Çatal Höyük have produced the remains of the earliest known urban society**. Not the option about hidden civilisations: the last sentence only asks a question (**who knows how many more...?**) and does not say they will be found soon.

21. Archaeological interest in this area _____.
✓ B) is increasing with the new findings constantly being made
The passage speaks of **increased archaeological interest** and says **investigations continue** with **recent discoveries**. So interest is growing as new finds are made. Not 'is about over': the passage expects more civilisations to be **brought to light**.

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