

DIAGNOSTIC QUIZ FOR HUMANITIES CLEP EXAM

- At what tempo should a piece of music be played when the term *Largo* appears?
 - Fast
 - At a walking pace
 - Very slow
 - Very fast
- Which poet wrote *The Wasteland* and *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*?
 - Tennessee Williams
 - T. S. Eliot
 - Virginia Woolf
 - Henrik Ibsen
- Name the philosopher who believed that the starting point for knowledge was "I think, therefore I am."
 - David Hume
 - Sir Isaac Newton
 - Rene Descartes
 - Aristotle
- Who wrote the novel *Tale of Two Cities*?
 - Mark Twain
 - George Eliot
 - Charles Dickens
 - Robert Louis Stevenson
- The Parthenon is one of the finest examples of classical architecture. Where is it located?
 - Athens
 - Rome
 - Constantinople
 - Paris
- Which artist produced the painting *Guernica*, a protest against the violence of the Spanish Civil War? He was also known as the Father of Cubism.
 - Pablo Picasso
 - Salvador Dali
 - El Greco
 - Velasquez
- Which composer served as a transition from the Classical period to the Romantic period in music? His compositions include nine symphonies and 32 piano sonatas.
 - Domenico Scarlatti
 - Felix Mendelssohn
 - Ludwig van Beethoven
 - Frederic Chopin
- Name the author of *Paradise Lost*.
 - John Milton
 - Edmund Spenser
 - Geoffrey Chaucer
 - John Donne
- Who was the artist responsible for *The Last Supper*?
 - Michelangelo
 - Raphael
 - Giotto
 - da Vinci
- Which Greek playwright authored the tragedy *Oedipus Rex*?
 - Aristophanes
 - Euripides
 - Sophocles
 - Aeschylus

11. Which of these is NOT a leading poet of the Romantic period?
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| A. George Herbert | C. Lord Byron |
| B. William Wordsworth | D. Percy Bysshe Shelley |
12. Which branch of philosophy deals with the nature of knowledge? It attempts to answer the question of how we know what is true.
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| A. Aesthetics | C. Metaphysics |
| B. Pluralism | D. Epistemology |
13. What musical form is a large-scale piece (often in three movements) for soloist and orchestra?
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| A. Symphony | C. Concerto |
| B. Overture | D. Oratorio |
14. Name the writer of poems such as “The Mouse” and “The Louse,” whose Scottish dialect is easily recognizable.
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| A. Robert Burns | C. Alexander Pope |
| B. William Blake | D. Samuel Johnson |
15. Who is often considered the father of the mystery novel? He is also well known for his poem “The Raven.”
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| A. Jack London | C. Graham Greene |
| B. Edgar Allen Poe | D. John Steinbeck |
16. Which of these plays was NOT written by William Shakespeare?
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| A. <i>Hamlet</i> | C. <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> |
| B. <i>The Merchant of Venice</i> | D. <i>The Cherry Orchard</i> |
17. What was the Greek name for Jupiter, the head of the Olympian gods?
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| A. Ares | C. Poseidon |
| B. Apollo | D. Zeus |
18. Name the Dutch master who painted nearly 100 self-portraits. A devout Protestant, he was also noted for biblical scenes.
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| A. Rubens | C. Rembrandt |
| B. Raphael | D. Van Eyck |
19. Name the composer of the *Well-Tempered Clavier*, *St. Matthew’s Passion* and the Brandenburg Concertos.
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| A. George Frederick Handel | C. Johann Sebastian Bach |
| B. Giovanni Palestrina | D. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart |
20. Who wrote the sonnet with the well-known lines: “How do I love thee? Let me count the ways”?
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| A. Elizabeth Barrett Browning | C. William Shakespeare |
| B. Jane Austen | D. Sir Walter Scott |