

A HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN... 25 QUESTIONS!

Can you find out all the answers?

1 Jericho is one of the oldest cities in the world. How long have people been living there?

A) 1,000 years B) 500 years C) 12,000 years

2 Memphis was once the largest and most important city in ancient Egypt. On which river did the city depend for fresh water?

A) Amazon B) Danube C) Nile

3 The Greek city of Athens is named after Athena, the goddess of:

A) Wisdom and War B) Love C) The Sun

4 Name the only city to straddle the continents of Europe and Asia:

A) Shanghai B) Delhi C) Constantinople

5 In Ancient Rome, gladiatorial fights took place in the:

A) Forum B) Pantheon C) Colosseum

6 The Terracotta Army is based in which Chinese city?

A) Xiangyang B) Beijing C) Shanghai

7 In which major Italian trading city would you travel in a 'gondola'?

A) Rome B) Verona C) Venice

8 Jórviík, a city invaded by the Vikings in 866, is a UK city that is now called:

A) Newcastle B) London C) York

9 Why was Beijing's walled palace complex called 'The Forbidden City'?

A) Because no ordinary person could go there
B) Because the Emperor was not allowed to leave
C) Because the city had so many strict rules

10 How many mosques were in the Spanish city of Granada in the 1400s?

A) 137 B) 0 C) 18

11 Algebra was invented by a scholar of 'The House of Wisdom' in which city?

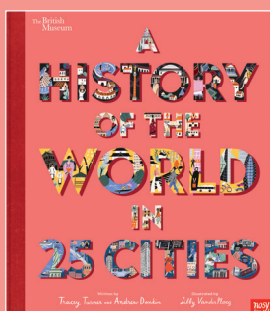
A) Baghdad B) Delhi C) Athens

12 Benin City, one of the most impressive city states in the medieval world, is based in which continent?

A) Europe B) Africa C) Asia

13 Legend says that the Aztecs were told to build the capital city of Tenochtitlán where they saw:

A) An eagle perched on a cactus
B) A rattlesnake curled on a rock
C) An armadillo swimming in a creek



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14 Cuzco was the capital of which empire?
A) Egyptian B) Inca C) Roman

15 Who did the Shah Jahān, founder of Delhi, dedicate the stunning Taj Mahal to?
A) His son B) His pet elephant C) His wife

16 Which flower was hugely popular during Amsterdam's Golden Age in the 1600s?
A) Tulips B) Roses C) Sunflowers

17 The storming of the Bastille Prison was the start of a national revolution in which city?
A) Berlin B) Paris C) St Petersburg

18 The city of Sydney started as a colony for prisoners from Britain. What age was the youngest convict to be sent to the Australian city?
A) 21 B) 16 C) 9

19 Which religion is the most practised in Bangkok, Thailand?
A) Hinduism B) Buddhism C) Christianity

20 In London, 'Big Ben' is the nickname for which part of the iconic clock tower?
A) The bell B) The clock face C) The tower

21 Saint Petersburg in Russia is famous for its 'White Nights'. What are they?

- A) A celebration at night during the summer where the whole city wears white
- B) Chosen nights when the electricity is switched off to help the environment
- C) Nights when the sun doesn't set completely, giving the streets a glow

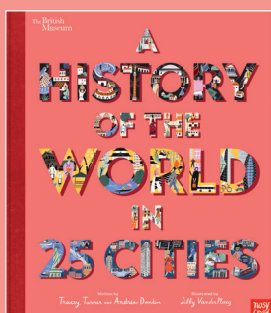
22 In what year did New York's stock market crash, causing the Great Depression?
A) 1999 B) 1929 C) 1909

23 How many people managed to escape across the Berlin Wall (1961 – 1989)?
A) Around 8,000
B) Around 50,000
C) Around 150,000

24 What is the name of the centre for computer and technology industries in San Francisco, USA?
A) Hollywood Hills
B) Wall Street
C) Silicon Valley

25 In Japan, the Tokyo Skytree is the tallest tower in the world. How tall is it?
A) 634 metres
B) 859 metres
C) 1428 metres

Answers: 1.C 2.C 3.A 4.C 5.C 6.A 7.C 8.C 9.A 10.A 11.A 12.B 13.A 14.B 15.C 16.A 17.B 18.C 19.B 20.A 21.C 22.B 23.A 24.C 25.A



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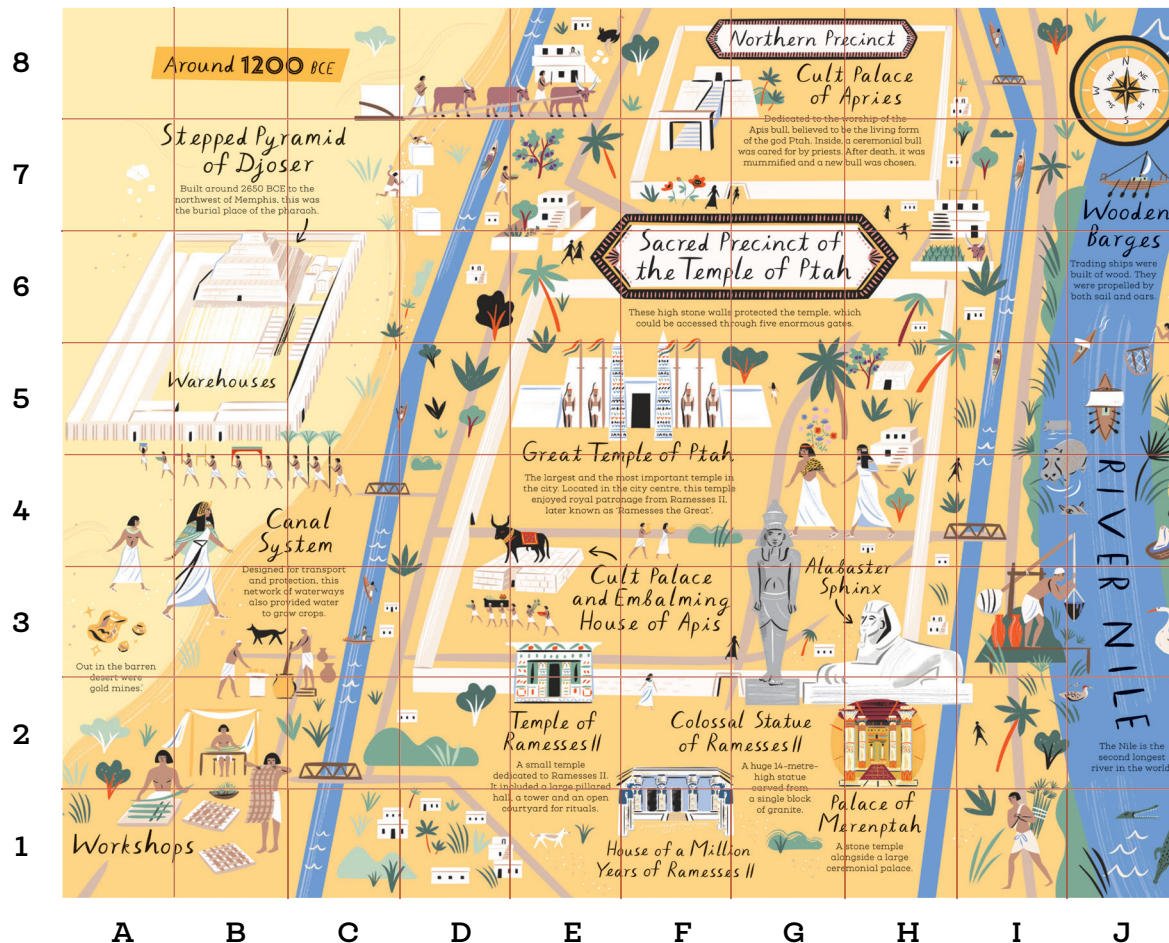
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MAPPING MEMPHIS

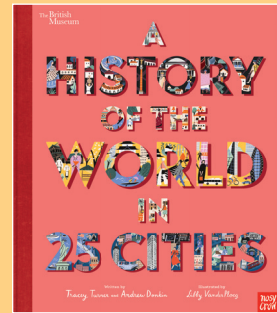
Memphis was one of the largest and most important cities in Egypt for 3,000 years. It was a city of workshops and warehouses and was said to be under the protection of the god Ptah, the patron of craftsmen.

Can you follow the coordinates to discover all the fascinating things in this ancient Egyptian city?



- 1 Which building is in F8?
- 2 Which is the southernmost temple?
- 3 Which building is in F5?
- 4 What are the coordinates for the Ostrich?
- 5 What building is in B6. Can you guess what the purpose of this building is?
- 6 How many boats are in C3?
- 7 You are walking in I1, where is the nearest entry gate to the Sacred Precinct of the Temple of Ptah for you?
- 8 G4 is a statue of who or what?
- 9 What are the coordinates for the Gold Mines?
- 10 How many crocodiles are in J1?

Answers: 1. Cult Palace of Apries 2. Temple of Ramesses II 3. Great Temple of Ptah 4. E8 5. Stepped Pyramid of Djoser / Burial place of the Pharaoh 6. 2 7. H4 8. Colossal Statue of Ramesses II 9. A3 10. 2



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In *A History of the World in 25 Cities*, you will discover how the map of a city can tell a story about the people who lived there – from what they believed in to where they worked and what they did for entertainment.

Create a stunning display of your own village, town, city or neighbourhood, either as a group or individually, sharing the places that you think are important and matter to you!

1 Choose your location

This could be where you live, somewhere nearby or a place you've visited before.

2 Find an existing map of your chosen location

You could check out local maps in your library or online, for example Google Maps. Print or save this map for your reference

3 Identify the key places you'd like to include on your map

Through researching at your library, online or by asking others such as your teacher, librarian, friends or family. Key places could include major landmarks like statues and buildings, as well as natural features like rivers, mountains and other green spaces like parks. Jot down some key facts about your chosen landmarks – why are they important to the town and its history? Why is the landmark important to the people who live there?

4 Make it personal

Are there places you have enjoyed visiting or you think are important to your location? Make a note of these and any interesting facts you can find out about them.

5 Start mapping

Using the map you've saved for reference, take a blank piece of paper and draw the outline of your chosen location first to capture the area you want to cover. Don't worry about being accurate – your map will tell a story and not be used to measure the distance between places!

6 Add your landmarks

Now you have the outline of your area, use a pencil to add in a dot and label for the landmarks you want to include. Once you've added them in, you now have a draft of your map and can see how much space you have to illustrate it. Select landmarks to draw and remember to label them with their name and a short fact if you have space.

7 Add in details

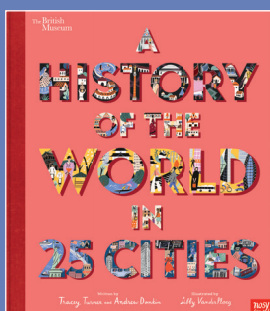
Now you have mapped out all the highlights of your chosen location, you can start adding in some more detail to your map. For example, are there people walking down the streets? Are there any animals or plants in the area? What are the buildings and houses like? Add colour to your map as well to clearly highlight different areas such as water or greenery. Using *A History of the World in 25 Cities* as inspiration, see what extra details you can add to your map to bring it to life!

Make sure to give your map a heading so that people know where it is.

8 Share your map

Present your map to your class, library group or family and friends. What have you learnt about your chosen location? Which places are most special to you?

**Share your maps with us
online @nosycrow**



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