

Gutenberg Test

1. Gutenberg was born in the country of _____.
A. Germany
B. France
C. Italy
D. America
2. Families had to leave his home city because _____.
A. a fire had burned their homes
B. they could not find jobs there
C. there was political unrest
D. the children moved away from home
3. The word “mint” as used in this story refers to _____.
A. a kind of drink
B. the place where money is made
C. an invasive growing plant
D. something that is in very good condition
4. When the family left Mainz they moved to _____.
A. Berlin
B. Stuttgart
C. Frankfurt
D. Strasbourg
5. A court document from 1436 tells about a dispute concerning a _____.
A. marriage proposal
B. printing job
C. water well
D. land division
6. The “pilgrim mirror” was supposed to _____.
A. help a woman apply makeup
B. let lovers see one another
C. reflect the image of religious relics
D. bring the wearer good luck
7. Gutenberg got the idea for printing books while working _____.
A. on a farm
B. at the mint
C. in a laboratory
D. at a school
8. Before Gutenberg’s time books were _____.
A. not available
B. photocopied
C. copied by hand
D. readily available
9. The word “punch” in the story means _____.
A. a tool for stamping
B. something to drink
C. to hit someone
D. a puppet character
10. In making metal letters for printing, the letters needed to be _____.
A. many different sizes
B. the same height
C. many colors
D. molded by hand

11. It is believed that the first item printed on the printing press was _____.
A. an advertisement
B. a political ad
C. the Bible
D. a German poem

12. Gutenberg printed school books of _____.
A. German grammar
B. English literature
C. Latin grammar
D. History

13. John Fust was a _____.
A. moneylender
B. wealthy landowner
C. merchant
D. shipbuilder

14. Gutenberg's first printing press had ____ pieces of movable type.
A. 200
B. 46,000
C. 5,000
D. 50

15. The first Bible ever printed is called the ____ Bible.
A. Original
B. John Fust
C. Gutenberg
D. King James

16. John Fust said Gutenberg _____ and he sued him and won.
A. didn't know how to print a Bible
B. was printing too many Bibles
C. was making mistakes in printing
D. had stolen some money

17. John Fust in the settlement got _____.
A. the Bible workshop and half the printed Bibles
B. just the Bible workshop
C. both of Gutenberg's workshops
D. a small amount of money

18. Of the Gutenberg Bibles printed _____.
A. most of them remain today
B. only a few remain today
C. all of them were burned
D. all have deteriorated

19. In later life Gutenberg was given the title _____ which means "gentleman of the court".
A. Earl
B. Patriarch
C. Hofmann
D. Baron

20. A project for distributing electronic books today is called _____.
A. the Gutenberg Press
B. Project Gutenberg
C. Modern Books
D. Electronic Books