

The Wright Brothers Test

1. In 1903 the United States _____ tried unsuccessfully to develop an airplane.
 - A. Air Force
 - B. Navy
 - C. Army
 - D. Coast Guard
2. The New York Times wrote that maybe man could fly in _____.
 - A. 1-10 million years
 - B. 5 years
 - C. 100 years
 - D. 50 years
3. _____ after the Times article appeared, the Wright brothers successfully flew a plane.
 - A. 2 years
 - B. 30 days
 - C. 5 years
 - D. 8 days
4. _____ was the older of the two Wright brothers.
 - A. Richard
 - B. Orville
 - C. James
 - D. Wilbur
5. The Wright brothers' first airplane was powered by _____.
 - A. jet engines
 - B. wind
 - C. a propeller
 - D. water
6. The first flight lasted for _____.
 - A. 30 seconds
 - B. 5 minutes
 - C. 30 minutes
 - D. 12 seconds
7. Their first plane was called _____.
 - A. the Wright Flyer
 - B. Supersonic Flyer
 - C. Wright's Folly
 - D. Kitty Hawk
8. The first flight took place at _____.
 - A. Los Alamos, New Mexico
 - B. Kitty Hawk, North Carolina
 - C. White Sands, New Mexico
 - D. Padre Island, Texas
9. _____ witnessed the first airplane flight.
 - A. A large crowd
 - B. 20 reporters
 - C. Five people
 - D. Only their mother
10. The Wright brothers' first plane had been a _____.
 - A. jet
 - B. propeller-driven plane
 - C. diesel-driven plane
 - D. glider
11. It cost the brothers _____ to build their first plane.
 - A. \$15
 - B. \$600
 - C. \$2,000
 - D. \$1,000,000

12. The plane they flew in 1903 cost them about _____ to build.

- A. \$30
- B. \$1,000
- C. \$50,000
- D. \$1,000,000

13. The boys learned to enjoy making things from their _____.

- A. school teacher
- B. father
- C. mother
- D. older brother

14. The boys earned money by making _____ for people.

- A. airplanes
- B. playground equipment
- C. mechanical toys
- D. cars

15. The brothers opened _____ shop.

- A. a bicycle
- B. an airplane
- C. a toy
- D. an automobile repair

16. They studied _____ to learn about flying.

- A. Leonardo da Vinci
- B. birds
- C. penguins
- D. emus

17. They tested different kinds of wings in _____.

- A. a vacuum
- B. the air
- C. a wind tunnel
- D. icy conditions

18. _____ had a plane accident in which his passenger died.

- A. William
- B. Orville
- C. Wilbur
- D. Richard

19. Wilbur died _____.

- A. in a plane crash
- B. of old age
- C. of typhoid fever
- D. in a car wreck

20. The original plane they flew can now be seen at the _____.

- A. National Air Museum in Washington D.C.
- B. Science Museum in London
- C. North Carolina Aviation Museum
- D. Wright Brothers National Memorial