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The Neolithic Revolution - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Humans evolved 300,000 years ago in _____.

A. Antarctica

B. Australia

☒ C. Africa

D. Asia

2. Which of these best describes nomads?

☒ A. Moving from place to place with no settled home

B. Planting corn, beans, and squash for food

C. Controlling the use of fire for cooking and forging tools

D. Living near a river or ocean

3. Which of these correctly lists historical eras in chronological order?

A. New Stone Age, Stone Age, Paleolithic Age

☒ B. Paleolithic Age, Stone Age, New Stone Age

C. Stone Age, Paleolithic Age, New Stone Age

D. Stone Age, New Stone Age, Paleolithic Age

4. True or False: Thanks to the Neolithic Revolution, several independent civilizations formed at about the same time.

☒ A. True

B. False

5. Where did the earliest civilizations form?

☒ A. In river valleys around the world

B. In deserts around the world

C. Around the Pacific Ocean rim

D. In the Southern Hemisphere

6. Which of these civilizations was the earliest?

A. Ancient Greece

B. Ancient Rome

☒ C. Mesopotamia

D. The Ottoman Empire

7. The development of agriculture and the domestication of animals led to _____.

- A. extinction of many species
- B. the spread of disease
- C. a move away from religion
- ☒ D. a global population boom

8. Which of these best describes “specialization of labor”?

- ☒ A. Different people could become experts at different tasks.
- B. All people in a civilization specialized in the same job.
- C. People chose certain animals for food and certain animals for labor.
- D. Most people no longer had to work.

9. Which of these is a major part of modern civilization?

- A. Religions
- B. Social classes
- C. Governments
- ☒ D. All of the above

10. With which of the following would the writer of this song most likely agree?

- A. The Neolithic Revolution was an unquestioned success.
- B. The Neolithic Revolution was an unquestioned failure.
- ☒ C. The Neolithic Revolution led to both good and bad changes.
- D. The Neolithic Revolution probably never happened.