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The Black Death

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. What was the first recorded instance of the plague?

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| A. Great Plague of London | C. The Black Death |
| B. Plague of Justinian | D. Antonine Plague |

2. Which empire did the bubonic plague affect in the sixth century?

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| A. Mali Empire | C. Byzantine Empire |
| B. Ottoman Empire | D. Mongol Empire |

3. Which of the following most likely contributed to the spread of the plague?

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| A. Trade | C. Economic boom |
| B. Climate change | D. Contaminated water |

4. Researchers believed that { } carried the plague.

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| A. fish | C. racoons |
| B. birds | D. rats |

5. True or False: Overcrowding in affected cities was another contributing factor to the rapid spread of the plague.

- A. True
B. False

6. Which of the following was NOT a direct result of the plague?

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| A. Widespread panic | C. Abundance of labor |
| B. People turning to religion | D. Antisemitic sentiments |

7. The Black Death killed almost { } of Europe's population.

- A. $\frac{1}{4}$
- B. $\frac{1}{3}$
- C. $\frac{1}{2}$
- D. $\frac{3}{4}$

8. The population decline led to which of the following?

- A. Better working conditions for laborers
- B. Increased value of manual labor
- C. Increased social mobility for lower-class laborers
- D. All of the above

9. True or False: The Black Death was the last outbreak of the bubonic plague.

- A. True
- B. False

10. When was the first plague vaccine developed?

- A. 1351
- B. 1855
- C. 1897
- D. 1901