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The Reformation - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. The Catholic Church was the most powerful institution in { }.

- A. imperial China
- ☒ B. medieval Europe
- C. ancient Greece
- D. early modern Africa

2. Which of the following was true of the Church during this period?

- A. It maintained the world's largest army.
- ☒ C. It owned more than a third of all European land.
- B. It financed developments in astronomy and medicine.
- D. It commissioned the construction of the first public library.

3. Before becoming a Protestant leader, Martin Luther was a(n) { }.

- ☒ A. monk
- B. cardinal
- C. bishop

4. Which of the following best describes an indulgence?

- A. A cross with an image of Jesus on it
- ☒ C. A purchased certificate to reduce time spent in purgatory
- B. An oil used to bless someone who is sick or dying
- D. A string of beads that represents specific prayers

5. Which of the following was a belief of Luther's?

- A. Clergy have a special connection to God.
- ☒ B. Faith alone will save believers.
- C. The sacraments are holy and sanctifying.
- D. Good works help the dead enter heaven.

6. When Luther refused to disavow his statements, he was {}.

- A. exiled from Germany
- B. profiled in a major newspaper
- C. summoned to the Vatican
- ☒ D. excommunicated from the Church

7. Which of the following was an outcome of the publication of the Luther Bible?

- A. Economic decline
- B. Political stability
- ☒ C. Religious schisms
- D. Social stratification

8. The Reformation was facilitated by the invention of which of these?

- ☒ A. Printing press
- B. Light bulb
- C. Compass
- D. Steam engine

9. True or False: The Luther Bible was cheap enough for most peasants to afford.

- A. True
- ☒ B. False

10. Today, Protestantism is {}.

- A. the largest branch of Christianity
- ☒ B. one of three main branches of Christianity
- C. an umbrella term that includes three denominations
- D. the fastest-growing religion in the world