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A. Choose the correct answer.

- 1) Where was Benjamin Franklin born?
 - a. Boston
 - b. Philadelphia
 - c. Richmond
 - d. England
 - e. Ireland

- 2) How did Benjamin Franklin get most of his education?
 - a. His parents hired private tutors
 - b. He traveled to England and attended school there
 - c. He went to Harvard
 - d. He read lots of books on his own
 - e. He attended military school in Maryland

- 3) Benjamin Franklin's first job was working for his father. What did his father do?
 - a. He was a politician
 - b. He was a chandler
 - c. He was a journalist
 - d. He was a painter
 - e. He was a blacksmith

- 4) Where did Benjamin Franklin go when he ran away from home at the age of 17?
 - a. Philadelphia
 - b. Boston
 - c. London
 - d. Paris
 - e. New York

- 5) Which of the following best describes Benjamin Franklin's time in London, England?
 - a. He became rich trading spices and other goods to the American colonies
 - b. He attended Oxford University and became a member of British Parliament
 - c. He became a voice for the American colonists in the British Parliament
 - d. All of the above
 - e. None of the above

- 6) What was the name of the pamphlet that Benjamin Franklin published each year starting in 1732?
 - a. Franklin's Newsletter
 - b. Pennsylvania Gazette
 - c. A Penny Saved
 - d. Philadelphia Magazine
 - e. Poor Richard's Almanack

7) What important document did Benjamin Franklin sign?

- a. Declaration of Independence
- b. United States Constitution
- c. Treaty of Alliance with France
- d. Treaty of Paris
- e. All of the above

8) During the Revolutionary War, Benjamin Franklin helped to establish an important alliance for the United States with what foreign country?

- a. England
- b. Germany
- c. Spain
- d. France
- e. Canada

9) What invention of Benjamin Franklin's helps to protect buildings from lightning?

- a. Tesla coil
- b. Lightning rod
- c. Electric umbrella
- d. Lightning reflector
- e. Lightning shield

10) True or False: Benjamin Franklin purchased slaves early in his life, but later set his slaves free and became an abolitionist who fought against slavery.

- a. TRUE
- b. FALSE

