

Cardiff Libraries - Heritage Library Local History Quiz



1. In what year was Cardiff recognised as the capital of Wales?
 - a. 1905
 - b. 1925
 - c. 1955
2. Cathays Library is one of 2500 libraries built by donations from Scottish-American businessman and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. How much money did Andrew Carnegie donate to build Cathays Library?
 - a. £5,000
 - b. £50,000
 - c. £1 million
3. Which famous children's author was born in Llandaff?
 - a. Enid Blyton
 - b. David Walliams
 - c. Roald Dahl
4. The Davies sisters are widely recognised as the most important collectors of impressionist and 20th Century art in Wales, having donated 260 works to the National Museum. But what were their first names?
 - a. Gwendoline and Margaret
 - b. Barbara and Gertrude
 - c. Elizabeth and Cassandra
5. Today, there are 15 animals along the Animal Wall at Cardiff Castle. But how many animals were there originally?
 - a. 7
 - b. 9
 - c. 11



6. Spillers Records is the oldest record shop in the world, but when did it open?
 - a. 1878
 - b. 1894
 - c. 1902

7. The New Theatre celebrated its centenary in 2006. What was the name of the original proprietor, who happens to share his name with a famous Hollywood actor?
 - a. Robert Redford
 - b. Will Smith
 - c. George Zucco

8. Millicent Mackenzie was a prominent advocate for women's rights and Vice President of the Cardiff Branch of the Women's Social and Political Union. In 1904, she became the first female associate professor in the UK, teaching at the University of Wales. What did she teach?
 - a. Home Economics
 - b. Chemistry
 - c. Teacher Training

9. The Pierhead Building opened in 1897 as the headquarters of the Bute Docks Company. What is the motto on the side of the Pierhead Building?
 - a. Y Ddraig Goch Ddyry Cychwyn (The red dragon leads the way)
 - b. Wrth ddŵr a tân (by water and fire)
 - c. To infinity and beyond

10. Name three famous sports men or women who attended Whitchurch High School.

