

CHAPTER EIGHT  
ISLAMIC ART

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

1. Upon his conversion to Islam, al-Amin called himself \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Muhammad.
  - B. Allah.
  - C. Ra.
  - D. Khadija.

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3. The holy book of Islam is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Qur'an.
  - B. Bible.
  - C. Medina Journal.
  - D. Mecca Text.

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3. After the death of the Prophet Muhammad, his four closest confidants became known as \_\_\_\_\_ or successor.
- A. caliph
  - B. docent
  - C. priest
  - D. sudam

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4. The Muslim place of worship is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. cathedral.
  - B. basilica.
  - C. mosque.
  - D. church.

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5. As the Umayyad's established their empire, they developed their structures in the style of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ architecture.

- A. Roman; Byzantine
- B. Greek; Byzantine
- C. Muslim; Greek
- D. Roman; Islamic

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6. Umayyad caliphs were profuse builders of palatial structures; one of the most beautiful hunting retreats is at \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Mihrab.
- B. Mshatta.
- C. Qibla.
- D. Cordoba.

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7. The wall of the prayer hall that is closest to Mecca is called the \_\_\_\_\_ wall.

- A. qibla
- B. hypostyle
- C. surah
- D. naskhi

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8. The caliphs of the Abbasid dynasty ruled the eastern Islamic world from the city of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Mshatta.
- B. Cordoba.
- C. Jerusalem.
- D. Baghdad.

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9. The *Great Mosque of Cordoba* uses the \_\_\_\_\_ arch, an architectural form known by the Romans and embraced by the Visigoths.

- A. keystone
- B. corbelled
- C. horseshoe
- D. vaulted

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10. One of the most beautiful forms of calligraphy is known as \_\_\_\_\_, and was thought to have been revealed and taught to scribes in a vision.

- A. mahatta
- B. mihrab
- C. *naskhi*
- D. *iwans*

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11. Christian armies took its toll on the Muslim Empire and Islamic rule ended in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 1375.
- B. 1483.
- C. 1492
- D. 1205.

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12. The Islamic garden, like the one at the *Court of Lions* in Cordoba is divided into quadrants and is called a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. *qibla iwan*.
- B. *shahadah*.
- C. *hajja*.
- D. *chahar bagh*.

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13. The *Griffin* in figure 8-19 was displayed by the Pisans atop their \_\_\_\_\_ from about 1100 to 1828.

- A. town hall
- B. opera house
- C. palace
- D. cathedral

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14. The Medallion Rug in figure 8-23 exhibits the \_\_\_\_\_ because the pattern repeats infinitely in all directions.

- A. infinite arabesque
- B. binding trim
- C. frieze of Apollo
- D. infinite frieze

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15. One of the great centers of miniature painting was at \_\_\_\_\_, which is in western Afghanistan.

- A. Heart
- B. Cordoba
- C. Alhambra
- D. Macy

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16. The chief architect for Suleyman “the magnificent” was named \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Sinan.
- B. Hadid.
- C. Kamal.
- D. Khusrau.

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17. Sinan’s crowning achievement as an architect was the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. *Hall of the Abencerrajes.*
- B. *Madras-mausoleum-mosque.*
- C. *Mosque of Sultan Selim.*
- D. *Court of the Lions.*

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18. The Islamic people call God by the name of \_\_\_\_\_.

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19. The word \_\_\_\_\_ means “submission to God’s will.”

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20. Muslims date their history as beginning with the \_\_\_\_\_ or emigration.

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21. The language of the Qur'an is \_\_\_\_\_.

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22. When the Umayyads replaced the Abbasids in 750, they moved their capital from Damascus to \_\_\_\_\_.

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23. The first great monument of Islamic art is \_\_\_\_\_.

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24. The huge tower from which the faithful are called to pray is called a \_\_\_\_\_.

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25. The \_\_\_\_\_ is an enclosure in front of the *mihrab* for the ruler and other dignitaries.

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26. One of the finest of the Umayyad surviving mosques is the \_\_\_\_\_ in Spain.

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27. The Qur'an was usually written on the treated animal skin called \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ or calfskin.

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28. Mongols, led by Genghis Khan, ruled the Muslim Empire until they were defeated in Egypt by the descendants of slave soldiers called \_\_\_\_\_.

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29. The *Madrassa-mausoleum-mosque* in Cordoba contains marble blocks that are joined in interlocking pieces in alternating colors called \_\_\_\_\_.

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30. In the citadel of buildings in the Alhambra, the windows that frame specifically intentioned views are called \_\_\_\_\_.

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31. The *Macy Jug*, figure 8-21, exhibits a finish called \_\_\_\_\_, which resembles precious metal.

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32. Islam emphasized the study of the Qur'an, which promoted literacy in \_\_\_\_\_.

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33. The Ottoman Empire was named after the leader \_\_\_\_\_.

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34. The Ottoman Empire lasted until the end of \_\_\_\_\_.

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