Al-Qahira Quiz

Choose the correct answer for each question.

1) The rulers of Egypt in 969 when the Fatimids invaded were

- a) Shi'is
- b) Ikhshids
- c) Sunnis
- d) Umayyads

2) The Shi'is believe that ______ should have been the next Caliph after Abu Bakr.

a) Husseinb) Muawiyahc) Muhammadd) Yazid

3) Medinat al-Qahira means:

- a) "City of Cannonments"
- b) "The Quartered City"
- c) "The City Victorious"
- d) "The Tented City"

4) Cairo was built to house:

- a) All of the inhabitants of al-Fustat and al-Qatta'i
- b) Merchants and traders
- c) The Islamic clergy and their students
- d) The Fatimids rulers and elite

5) The large mosque and university founded by the Fatimids is called:

a) Al-Azhar b) Sultan Hassan c) al-Aqmar d) Ibn Tulun 6) The wars waged by the Europeans who wanted to take the Holy Land back from the Muslims were called:

a) The Reconquistab) The Crusadesc) The War of the Righteousd) The War the Roses

7) One contribution made by Salah al-Din to the Cairo landscape can still be seen today. It is called:

a) The Madrassa of Sultan Hassanb) Bab al-Zuwaylac) Bayn al-Qasraynd) the Citadel

8) The woman who ruled Egypt for a breif period in the 1200s was named:

a) Cleopatrab) Fatimac) Shajarat al-Durrd) Aisha

9) The Mamluks were a self-perpetuating ruling class made up of:

a) slavesb) merchantsc) clergyd) farmers

10) The period in which Egypt was ruled by the Mamluks is referred to as:

a) The Ottoman Periodb) The Golden Agec) The Middle Agesd) The Times of Ignorance