



Irish War of Independence Quiz

Introduction and Timeline of Key Events

Colonisation

1. What year did King James VI of Scotland also become King of James I of England?
2. What date did the Act of Union come into effect?
3. What year did the Irish Parliament grant the title 'King of Ireland' upon King Henry VIII?

Irish Famine

4. In 1845, what law was repealed?
5. What was the size of the Irish population in 1900?

Home Rule

6. How many people signed the Ulster Covenant in September 1912?
7. What year was the Third Home Rule Bill introduced to parliament?
8. What conflict put the Third Home Rule Bill on pause?

Formation of Groups

9. The Ulster Volunteer Force opposed Home Rule. True or false?
10. What year did the Irish Citizen Army form?

First World War

11. In Belfast, how many people worked in the shipping industry during the First World War? a) 37,000 , b) 47,000
12. What does VAD stand for?

Easter Rising

13. In the 1908 North Lietricim by-election, what percentage of the vote did the Sinn Fein party secure?
14. What date did the First Dáil Éireann meet?



Impact of Conflict

British Forces Structure

15. When did the first unit of the Royal Irish Constabulary Special Reserve arrive in Ireland?
16. What group, comprised of former military officers, did the British government create to act as a mobile striking force?

IRA Structure

17. Where did the IRA set up a secret munitions factory?
18. What was the name of the Irish Volunteers internal magazine?

British Tactics

19. What name was also given to the Royal Irish Constabulary Special Reserve?

IRA Tactics

20. What date did 'Bloody Sunday' occur?

British Intelligence

21. Information that was gathered by British Forces was logged in what book?
22. Who was appointed 'Chief of Police' in 1920?

IRA Intelligence

23. What year did Michael Collins become Director of Intelligence for the IRA?
24. Where was the IRA's intelligence office located?

Living Through Conflict

Migration

25. How many men were sent to Frongoch prison camp following the Easter Rising in 1916?
26. How many men detained at the camp went on to become TD's (or MP's) in the Republican parliament in Dublin, Dáil Eireann or 'Assembly of Ireland'?
27. When was Frongoch prison camp closed?



Media and Propaganda

28. When was the '*Irish Volunteer*' first published?
29. What French journal depicted incidents from the Irish War of Independence?

End of Conflict

Moves to Negotiate

30. What date was a truce negotiated?

Talks

31. Between what dates did negotiations take place?

Anglo-Irish Treaty

32. What date was the Anglo-Irish Treaty signed?
33. How many ports did the Royal Navy keep in southern Ireland following the treaty?

Reaction to the Treaty and Civil War

34. Following the treaty, who resigned as President of the Dáil?

Commemoration and Legacy

National Flag

35. What words were inscribed on the traditional green flag that was lifted on the Prince's Street corner of the GPO during the Easter Rising?
36. What year was the tricolour flag officially confirmed as the national flag of Ireland?
37. The origins of the national flag of Ireland, frequently referred to as the tricolour, can be traced back to what year?

Glasnevin Cemetery

38. What year did Glasnevin Cemetery open?
39. How many steps do you have to climb to reach the top of the round tower located in Glasnevin cemetery?



People Profiles

Kathleen Lynn

40. What year did Kathleen Lynn graduate from medical school?
41. What year was Kathleen Lynn elected as vice-president of the Sinn Féin executive?

David Lloyd George

42. What treaty did David Lloyd George famously sign in 1919?
43. What year did David Lloyd George resign from office?

Michael Collins

44. In the 1918 general election, which seat did Michael Collins win?
45. Where is Michael Collins buried?



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Answer Key

1. 1603
2. 1st January 1801
3. 1541
4. Corn Laws
5. 4.5 million people
6. 500,000
7. 1912
8. First World War
9. True
10. 1913
11. a) 37,000
12. Voluntary Aid Detachment
13. 27%
14. 21st January 1919
15. March 1920
16. Auxiliary division
17. Dublin
18. An t'Oglach
19. Black and Tans
20. 21st November 1920
21. The 'occurrence book'
22. Ormonde de l'Epree Winter
23. 1919
24. 3 Crow Street
25. 1,863
26. 30
27. December 1916
28. 7th February 1914
29. Le Petit Journal
30. 11th July 1921
31. 11th October - 6th December 1921
32. 6th December 1921
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34. Eamon de Valera
35. Irish Republic
36. 1937
37. 1848
38. 1832
39. 198
40. 1899
41. 1917
42. The Treaty of Versailles
43. 1922
44. South Cork
45. Glasnevin Cemetery