

## Top 10 Most Famous or Influential People in History

(General review for exam)

### Directions:

Students should select and rank the 10 most influential and or famous (or infamous) individuals during all of history. Students should produce a table that includes each person's name in one column and their contribution to history (good or bad) in the other column. When students bring in their completed lists, they share their findings about the ranking of the historical individuals as well as those omitted.

### Example:

Rank:	Person	Accomplishment/ Contribution
1	<b>Elizabeth I</b>	Elizabethan Age, Spanish Armada, England emerges as world power....
2	<b>Horatio Nelson</b>	Battle of Trafalgar, vice Admiral ...
3	<b>Winston Churchill</b>	Prime Minister –World War II, Gallipoli....
4	<b>William Shakespeare</b>	38 Plays, sonnets, Modern English, Globe Theatre....
5	<b>John Locke</b>	<i>Two Treatises on Government, A Letter Concerning Toleration, etc.....</i>
6	<b>Sir Thomas More</b>	<i>Utopia</i> , Renaissance humanist, opponent of Protestant Reformation....
7	<b>Oliver Cromwell</b>	Commonwealth, English Civil War, Puritans....
8	<b>Henry VIII</b>	Church of England, Protestant Reformation, 6 wives....
9	<b>Isaac Newton</b>	<i>Principia Mathematica</i> , Gravity, calculus, light, etc.....
10	<b>Charles Darwin</b>	<i>On the Origin of the Species</i> , Evolutionary Theory....

### Note:

There is a question that regularly comes up: should the lists include people who were not positively popular (Hitler, Stalin, Mao)? That's for you to decide. Also, Albert Einstein for example was born in Germany yet is remembered for his contributions to the United States. Where does he go? That is up to you! You might declare that the people belong where they made their biggest contributions. No sports figures are to be included but instead try to focus on individuals who brought fame and honor to their countries in political, economic, religious, scientific, intellectual, or artistic ways.

### Grading:

Lists with accomplishments = 20 points (depending on the size of your list).

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