WORLD HISTORY

TOP 10 PEOPLE OF LAST CENTURY

**Directions: Watch the video clips and answer the questions below.**

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 20, 10-9:**

1. What is the biggest agent of change over the last 1000 years?
2. What was Galileo’s first discovery that got him into trouble with the church?
3. How did Galileo spend the remainder of his life?
4. When did the Vatican admit Galileo was right?
5. What disadvantage did Copernicus have when it came to looking at the stars?
6. How long would it be before Copernicus’s theory was accepted?

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 21, 8**

1. What kind of a student was Einstein?
2. What do the letters in E=MC2 stand for?
3. What theory was the centerpiece of Einstein’s ideas?
4. Why did Einstein leave Germany?
5. What country was Einstein offered the presidency of?

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 22, 7-6**

1. What did Karl Marx believe about the worker class?
2. What country was the first to adopt Communism?
3. At its peak, how many people lived under communist rule?
4. Why is Columbus a controversial figure?
5. How long did it take Columbus to get support for his venture?
6. What fraction of natives on Hispaniola had been killed or enslaved within 4 years of Columbus arriving?

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 23, 5-4**

1. How many plays did Shakespeare write?
2. What were two of Shakespeare’s plays?
3. Why do some historians suggest Shakespeare didn’t exist?
4. What animal gave Darwin the ideas about evolution?
5. What was the name of Darwin’s book on evolution?
6. What book did Darwin’s theory challenge?

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 24, 3-2**

1. According to Luther how would someone reach salvation?
2. How did Luther challenge the Catholic Church?
3. What war did Luther’s Reformation lead to?
4. Why did Newton leave London in 1660?
5. What type of math did Newton develop?
6. Who are some of the other people on the list that owe a debt to Newton?

**A&E Biography of the Millennium Part 25, 1-Epilogue**

1. Who was the most important person of the last 1000 years? What was his contribution to society?