

The *Writing* Code and P R I N T I N G

You can use your computer to perform these tasks and answer these questions about *The Writing Code* and *The British Library Guide to Printing*. Make sure your answers for the non-content or yes/no questions are complete and thorough.

Writing Code Questions: Art and The Craft

1. List one important quote or fact from the film and describe why this struck you as important.
2. How come Homer recited his poems a completely different way each time he recited them?
3. About how long did it take scribes to create a book the size of the bible? About how much did it cost in today's economy?
4. How did the terms *uppercase* and *lowercase* letters develop?
5. How do you think the novel is a technology? And how do you think print technology influences how writers use allusions?
6. Where were fortune cookies invented?
7. How did the QWERTY keyboard come about?
8. What is a linotype machine and why was it important?

The British Library Guide to P R I N T I N G Questions

For these questions, I expect you to use your text to answer the questions. Use correct in-text citations to answer the questions and don't just copy the text, put things into your own words.

1. What is printing, what is one effect it has had on writing, and what is one social implication of this technology?
2. In your own words, describe each of the two stages of printing.

3. Select one printing process you hadn't considered before, describe how it works in your own words, and tell me why it is important in the history of printing.
4. Why is Gutenberg considered to be such an important figure in the history of printing? It's not like there wasn't printing before Gutenberg, right?
 - a. Here's a thought provoker—how do you think the printing press may have helped develop plagiarism as a concept?
5. Think about the history of printing and specialization (McLuhan style). What sorts of skills do you think the "digital revolution" requires writer's to know today?
6. Write down a question you have about the history of printing. Is there something you wanted to know more about?

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What is one social implication of this type of printing?