



# Did You Know?

Did You Know the following information about France?

Check your answers in the Answer Key below.

1. Which French city has a fabled place in the history of blue jeans?
  - A. Strasbourg
  - B. Marseilles
  - C. Toulouse
  - D. Nimes
2. What did Leonardo da Vinci bring with him when he went to the Centre Val de Loire (Loire Valley) to visit France's king, Francis I?
  - A. plans for a new weapon
  - B. the secret to making silk
  - C. Galileo's telescope
  - D. the painting of the *Mona Lisa*
3. Which of the following did the Musée du Louvre say it did not want in the early 1900s?
  - A. the Elgin Marbles
  - B. the statue of *Venus de Milo*
  - C. hundreds of paintings by Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec
  - D. Michelangelo Buonarroti's statue of *David*
4. Which French overseas region takes its name from the Roman name for Scotland?
  - A. La Guyane (French Guiana)
  - B. Nouvelle-Calédonie (New Caledonia)
  - C. Martinique
  - D. Réunion
5. The Tour Eiffel (Eiffel Tower) was supposed to be torn down after twenty years, but it was spared because
  - A. its height made it an ideal place to put an antenna for broadcasting.
  - B. Americans campaigned to preserve it as a way to thank France for the Statue of Liberty.
  - C. Pope Pius XI blessed its site as holy ground.
  - D. it had become the symbol for Dijon Mustard, and tearing it down might threaten the company's dominance in the mustard business.

**Answer Key**  
1. D.; 2. D.; 3. C.; 4. B.; 5. A.