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The Louvre Museum: A World of Wonder

Short Answer Key

1. The Louvre was originally built as a military fortress by King Philip II and later transformed into a royal palace. It became a public museum during the French Revolution.
2. Answers may vary, but a description of an Egyptian artifact could include a mummy, hieroglyphs, or a sculpted figure.
3. Napoleon Bonaparte expanded the Louvre's collection significantly by acquiring art and artifacts from across Europe during his reign as Emperor of France.
4. Visitors can make the most of their visit to the Louvre by planning in advance, wearing comfortable shoes, and obtaining a museum map. They should take their time to explore and appreciate the museum's rich history and artwork.
5. Two departments within the Louvre's collection are the Egyptian Antiquities department, which features artifacts from ancient Egypt, and the Sculptures department, which includes famous statues like the Venus de Milo.

