

8th Grade Social Studies (American History)

Exit Test – Part 2

COLONIAL AMERICA

1.

Colonial America: Life as a Colonist

Matching:

Horn books

Triangle Trade Network

Pomanders

Indentured Servants

Carding

Trenchers

1. _____ - removing tangles from freshly sheared wool, making it easier to straighten before spinning it into thread
2. _____ - a sheet of paper attached to a tablet of wood, leather, or bone covered by a thin transparent strip of horn
3. _____ - orange studded with cloves and covered in oils and spices to give colonial homes a pleasant smell
4. _____ - wooden plates
5. _____ - Africans who received passage to America on a ship and in return they agreed to work for a specific period of time for the person who paid for their passage
6. _____ - shippers carried goods from Europe to West Africa where they were traded for slaves and brought to America. The slaves were traded for sugar and other goods that were carried back to Europe

2. What did the colonists use to heat their beds on cold nights?

Ash from the hearth fire

Hot Rocks

Heated Blankets

3. What did colonists use as a source of light in addition to the family hearth fire?

Lanterns

Tallow Candles

Wind-up Flashlights

4. Could Sundials be used on overcast days?

Yes

No

5. What were the New England colonies good for?

Fishing and Fur Trading

Bear and Deer Hunting

Mining and milling

6. What did the people from the Southern colonies make money from?

Trade

Slavery

Cash crops (rice and cotton)

7. What was the first American colony?

New England

Virginia

Maryland

8. How many stars did the original American flag have?

20

13

18

9. What did the Revolutionary War do for the United States?

Gave them independence from Great Britain to start a new government

Separated them into three territories

Brought all the states together

10.

Colonial America: New England Colonies

Matching:

Subsistence Farmers

Royal Colony

Protestant Work Ethic

Charter Colony

Puritans

1. _____ - the belief that God had commanded six days of work a week
2. _____ - Colonists controlled directly by the monarchy; no authority to self-govern
3. _____ - very religious group of people who were looking to purify the church; they had strict rules and believed life should revolve around completing God's work
4. _____ - only grew enough food for their families
5. _____ - Charter granted colonists, which gave them permission to exist and self-govern

11. New England growing seasons were short due to harsh _____.

12. Life in the Massachusetts Bay Colony was centered on _____.

13. After a long voyage on the Mayflower, the Pilgrims landed in _____ in 1620.

14. The _____ colonies were the first settlement to be established in America.

15. The New England colonists used _____ for shipping.

Colonial America: The Middle Colonies

Matching:

Henry Hudson

Quakers

Coopers

Charter of Privileges

Cobblers

Charter of Liberties

Holy Experiment

1. _____ - a group that believed that all people were equal in the eyes of God
2. _____ - someone who makes shoes
3. _____ - an idea that William Penn had to mix all the religions together
4. _____ - signed in 1701 by William Penn; gave the Pennsylvania colonists the right to elect their own government
5. _____ - an English explorer that explored the area around the Hudson River in 1609
6. _____ - allowed people living in the southern part of Pennsylvania to form their own colony which became Delaware
7. _____ - someone who makes barrels

17.

What two states were once one colony but then split a later time?

- New York and New Jersey
- New York and Pennsylvania
- Delaware and Maine

18. Who was the Hudson River named after?

- Jennifer Hudson
- Henry Hudson
- Kate Hudson

19. What colony was started by William Penn?

- New York
- Pennsylvania
- Delaware

20. What group of people started New York and New Jersey?

- The Spanish
- The Dutch
- The English

21. What were the main crops that grew best in the middle colonies?

- Corn, wheat, and Rye
- Corn, beans, and peas
- Wheat, carrots, beans

22. What southern state was the last to be established?

- Virginia
- North Carolina
- Georgia

23. What was Roanoke Colony known as?

- The Lost Colony
- The Rich Colony
- The Mysterious Colony

24. Why did farmers use slaves as labor for their crops?

- They couldn't get anyone else to work
- They had many kids & needed the help
- Could earn more money w/ free labor

25. Where did debtors go in the 1700's?

- The White House
- Prison
- Out of the country

26. What was the climate like in the Southern Region?

- Mild winters, hot and humid summers
- Cold winters and Mild Summers
- Cold winters and mild summers

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

1. The United States was governed by the _____ from 1781 to 1789.
2. The United States Constitution was written in _____.
3. The _____ (Congress) makes the laws.
4. The United States Constitution was created to replace the _____.

5. **Matching:**

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| 1. Popular Sovereignty | A. the power of the government comes from the people; the people have the power to elect who they want to represent them |
| 2. Checks and Balances | B. rights that the government has to recognize and protect; listed in the Bill of Rights |
| 3. Separation of Powers | C. a political system that divides power between general and regional governments |
| 4. Federalism | D. government is split into 3 branches in order to keep any one branch from becoming too powerful |
| 5. Checks and Balances | E. a system that keeps one branch from gaining too much power |

6. What is the first Amendment?
The Right to Bear Arms
Self Defense
Freedom of Speech, press, and religion
7. What does the Fifth Amendment say?
Right to a speedy trial
Right to own guns
You don't have to take witness stand (to keep from incriminating yourself)
8. What is the Fourth Amendment?
Right to Search and Seizure
Right to an impartial jury
Freedom of Religion
9. What does the 2nd Amendment guarantee now?
Freedom of Speech
No cruel or unusual punishment
Right to own a gun (defend yourself and property)
10. What are the Sixth and Seventh Amendments about?
Personal Rights
Justice Rights
The Legal System
11. Where did the British want to expand?
To the South
To the West
Up and down the Mississippi River
12. Where were descendants of Nova Scotia sent?
Louisiana
Mississippi
Florida
13. What does Europe call the French & Indian War?
The Next Civil War
The Top War
The Seven Years War
14. What are the descendants from Nova Scotia known as?
Cajuns
Creole
Southerners
15. Where was the important trading area with access to the Mississippi River?
The Rocky Mountains
Ohio River Valley
The Grand Canyon

Mercantilism and The Navigation Acts

Matching:

Positive Sum

A. - Passed by the British to regulate trade and keep products in England, and for the products to be taxed

Mercantilism

B. - both sides can gain & trade by making the pie bigger

Navigation Acts

C. - the country exports more than imports

Balance of trade

D. - if one side gains, the other side must lose an equal amount

Zero-Sum

E. - an economic system that was used by European countries to ship raw materials to the English who would then transform them into manufactured goods. In turn the English traders then sold these goods back to the colonies and to other European nations

17. When did the Boston Massacre occur?

March 5, 1778

March 5, 1770

March 8, 1771

18. What did the taxes from the tea and paper pay for?

The First Civil War

The American Revolutionary War

The French and Indian War

19. What was the altercation in front of the Custom House about?

Slavery

Debt

Religion

20. Who defended British soldiers after their arrest?

John Adams

George Washington

Thomas Edison

21. African American soldier that was shot and killed in the Boston Massacre

John Adams

Thomas Hutchinson

Crispus Attucks

22. In what year was America discovered?

1801

1776

1773

23. What is the capital city of the United States?

Maine

Delaware

Washington D.C.

24. Where was the Declaration of Independence signed?

Alabama

Philadelphia

New York

25. What country gave the Statue of Liberty to the United States?

France

England

Italy

THE EARLY REPUBLIC

The Articles of Confederation Multiple Choice Questions

1. What government existed before the Revolutionary War?

A. George Washington was the president before the war



B. France controlled the government



C. There was no national government. Each state governed themselves.



2. What was the problem with the government during the Revolution?

A. There was no national army or navy



B. There were no boundaries.



C. They didn't like the Declaration of Independence.



3. What were the Articles of Confederation?

A. A map of the colonies



B. A framework for America's first government



C. When General Cornwallis was defeated



4. Which was a **benefit** of the Articles of Confederation?

A. There was no national army or navy



B. States kept their power



C. There was no president



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The Constitutional Convention

Matching:

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| 1. – a captain | A. Ratification |
| 2. – primary author of the Declaration of Independence | B. Thomas Jefferson |
| 3. – the nation's first Constitution | C. The Constitutional Convention |
| 4. - In 1787 Congress called for a convention to suggest amendments to the Articles of Confederation | D. Daniel Shays |
| 5. – approval | E. Articles of Confederation |

6. What is the job of the Supreme Court?
 - To make the laws
 - To carry out the laws
 - To decide if the laws were legal according to the Constitution
7. Who was chief Justice of the Supreme Court from 1801 to 1835?
 - John Marshall
 - John Adams
 - Roger Brooke
8. Did George Washington live in the White House?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Only Part time
9. Where was George Washington from?
 - Virginia
 - Kentucky
 - Pennsylvania
10. Besides being the first President of the US, what was George Washington known for?
 - He invented the light bulb
 - The Birth of America
 - His positive attitude
11. Who authorized the purchase of the Louisiana Territory?
 - Thomas Jefferson
 - Benjamin Franklin
 - George Washington
12. What happened in the French & Indian War?
 - Spain drove out all the French people
 - France took over all the land
 - France gave the Louisiana Territory to Spain
13. What country was Louisiana a part of before it was a part of the United States?
 - France
 - Portugal
 - England
14. What was the name of the expedition that Thomas Jefferson ordered for the Louisiana Territory?
 - The Jefferson Journey
 - The Meriwether Clark trip
 - The Louis & Clark Expedition