

The Louisiana Purchase

Multiple Choice:

1. Who authorized the purchase of the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. George Washington
 - b. Thomas Jefferson
 - c. Benjamin Franklin
2. Why was the land that became Arkansas and the Mississippi Delta named Louisiana?
 - a. It was home to the Mississippi Slide
 - b. It had a lot of crawfish
 - c. It was named after King Louis XIV
3. Why did France want to control the Mississippi River?
 - a. It gave them power to stop English colonization and increase trade with Spain
 - b. It gave them the ultimate power to control the religion of the people
 - c. The Mississippi River was famous for trade
4. What was the original name of the city of New Orleans?
 - a. New Amsterdam
 - b. La Nouvelle-Orleans
 - c. New York
5. What year did New Orleans become the capital of France's Louisiana Territory?
 - a. 1700
 - b. 1823
 - c. 1723
6. What happened in the French and Indian War?
 - a. France gave the Louisiana Territory to Spain
 - b. Spain drove out all the French people
 - c. France overtook all the land
7. Why did France give the Louisiana Territory to Spain?
 - a. France was forced to hand over Louisiana Territory
 - b. To earn favor from Spain
 - c. To establish an alliance against the British
8. What was the purpose of the Third Treaty of San Ildefonso?
 - a. For the Louisiana Territory to be separated into five individual states
 - b. For it to become famous
 - c. For the Louisiana Territory to be given back to France
9. What other country was interested in the expansion of the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. England
 - b. The United States
 - c. Italy

10. What country was Louisiana a part of before it was part of the United States?
 - a. France
 - b. Portugal
 - c. England
11. How did Louisiana become part of the United States?
 - a. It was won in a round of poker
 - b. The Haitian Revolution led to France selling the land to the United States
 - c. It was purchased for the sole purpose of splitting into smaller pieces and sold for a higher price
12. Who was president of the United States at this time?
 - a. Benjamin Franklin
 - b. Barak Obama
 - c. Thomas Jefferson
13. What was the Haitian Revolution remembered as?
 - a. The smallest and quickest battle in history
 - b. The largest gathering of slaves in 20 years
 - c. The largest and most successful rebellion of enslaved people in the Western Hemisphere
14. Were all American politicians in favor of the purchase of the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
15. What were some of the industries that were available in the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. Harvesting Timber and farming rich soil
 - b. Welding, Sanding, and Piping
 - c. Plumbing, brick and mortar building, vegetable farms
16. What was the name of the expedition that Thomas Jefferson ordered for the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. The Louis and Clark Expedition
 - b. The Jefferson Journey
 - c. The Meriwether Clark Trip
17. What were some of the animals that were found in the expedition of the Louisiana Territory?
 - a. Squirrels, mice, and rabbits
 - b. Grizzly bears, prairie dogs, and wild goats
 - c. Mountain lions, coyotes, and wild turkeys

Fill-in-the-blank:

Meriwether Lewis' Instructions for Exploration:

1. Follow the Missouri River in an attempt to reach the _____ Ocean.
2. Record the _____ and _____ of critical points on the journey.
3. Keep copies and detailed _____ about anything and anyone he encountered.
4. Keep an eye out for _____ or extinct animals.