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7 Multiple choice questions

Term 1 of 7

Who invented the steam engine?

- Currents
- They had to go faster than water currents to go upstream rivers
- a man named Watt
- Painting

Term 2 of 7

Why would the steamboat be important on the Mississippi river?

- It is primarily used for fishing and recreational activities.
- It serves as a tourist attraction for visitors to the region.
- It makes shipping goods faster and easier.
- It functions as a military transport vessel during conflicts.

Term 3 of 7

How would steamboats help the economy of the new America?

- It makes shipping goods faster and easier.
- It reduces the need for railroads and highways.
- It increases the price of goods due to high transportation costs.
- It creates more jobs in the agricultural sector.

Term 4 of 7

What makes it hard for a boat to go up rivers?

- Boulders
- Downdrafts
- Currents
- Moon Tides

Term 5 of 7

Fulton's steamboats moved fast because they had to do what?

- They had to maintain a constant speed to prevent engine failure
- They had to go faster than water currents to go upstream rivers
- They had to avoid collisions with other boats to stay safe
- They had to navigate through shallow waters to reach ports

Term 6 of 7

What did Robert Fulton study for his career?

- Poetry
- Painting
- Music
- Politics

Term 7 of 7

Why do you think the number of steamboats on the Mississippi River increased so much between 1820 and 1860?

- Population of people increased in that area, and more supplies were needed
- The introduction of railroads made river transport obsolete.
- The Mississippi River became too polluted for transportation.
- The government imposed taxes on river trade, making it less profitable.

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