

# Western Migration Quiz (1810-1830)

## Part I: Multiple Choice

1. What was a major reason people moved west between 1810 and 1830?
  - A. To find factory jobs
  - B. To obtain cheap land
  - C. To escape cold weather
  - D. To join the military
2. Which trail was most commonly used by early western settlers?
  - A. Oregon Trail
  - B. Santa Fe Trail
  - C. Wilderness Road
  - D. Appalachian Trail
3. Who helped open the Wilderness Road for settlers?
  - A. Daniel Boone
  - B. Andrew Jackson
  - C. Thomas Jefferson
  - D. John Adams
4. What river was especially important for transporting goods westward?
  - A. Hudson River
  - B. Mississippi River
  - C. Colorado River
  - D. Columbia River
5. The War of 1812 encouraged westward migration because:
  - A. It destroyed western lands
  - B. It made travel easier
  - C. It reduced Native American resistance
  - D. It increased taxes
6. What invention made river travel faster and easier?
  - A. Cotton gin
  - B. Steam engine
  - C. Steamboat
  - D. Telegraph
7. Which group was most negatively affected by westward expansion?
  - A. Factory workers
  - B. Immigrants
  - C. Native Americans
  - D. Merchants
8. What was one danger faced by settlers traveling west?
  - A. Traffic jams
  - B. Lack of internet
  - C. Disease and harsh weather
  - D. High rent prices

9. What type of land system encouraged people to move west?
- A. Free housing programs
  - B. Land grants and low-cost land sales
  - C. Industrial contracts
  - D. Military drafts
10. What was a common method of transportation for settlers?
- A. Airplanes
  - B. Covered wagons
  - C. Subways
  - D. Bicycles

## **Part II: True or False**

Write (T) for True or (F) for False.

11. \_\_\_\_ Most western settlers moved for adventure only.
12. \_\_\_\_ Rivers were important transportation routes.
13. \_\_\_\_ Native Americans benefited from westward expansion.
14. \_\_\_\_ The steamboat improved travel on rivers.
15. \_\_\_\_ Western migration only happened after 1850.

## **Part III: Short Answer**

16. Give one reason why settlers wanted to move west.
17. Name one challenge settlers faced during migration.
18. Explain how transportation improvements helped migration.