

Assessment: African Americans & Urbanization in the 1900s

Part 1: Multiple Choice: Choose the best answer for each question.

1. What was one major reason African Americans moved from the rural South to northern cities in the early 1900s?
 - A. To find gold
 - B. To escape Jim Crow laws and find jobs
 - C. To become farmers
 - D. To join the military
2. The large movement of African Americans from the South to northern cities was called the:
 - A. Industrial Revolution
 - B. Civil Rights Movement
 - C. Great Migration
 - D. Urban Expansion
3. Which type of jobs attracted many African Americans to northern cities?
 - A. Factory jobs
 - B. Farming jobs
 - C. Fishing jobs
 - D. Mining jobs
4. Urbanization means:
 - A. Moving from cities to farms
 - B. Building more schools
 - C. The growth of cities as people move into them
 - D. The end of transportation systems
5. Which city became an important center for African American culture during the Harlem Renaissance?
 - A. Los Angeles
 - B. Atlanta
 - C. Chicago
 - D. New York City
6. African Americans faced discrimination in northern cities through:
 - A. Equal housing opportunities
 - B. Segregation and unfair treatment
 - C. Free education for all
 - D. Better voting rights everywhere
7. What was the Harlem Renaissance?
 - A. A farming movement
 - B. A political campaign
 - C. A cultural movement celebrating African American art, music, and literature
 - D. A transportation project
8. Which invention helped support urbanization in the early 1900s?
 - A. The cotton gin
 - B. Elevators and skyscrapers
 - C. Steamships only
 - D. Horse-drawn wagons

9. Many African Americans moved to cities like Chicago, Detroit, and New York because:
- A. Cities offered more jobs and opportunities
 - B. Farming became easier
 - C. There were no factories in the South
 - D. They wanted colder weather only
10. Jazz music became popular during this period and was strongly connected to:
- A. Native American traditions
 - B. African American culture
 - C. European kings
 - D. Ancient civilizations
11. Which factor pushed many African Americans to leave the South?
- A. Excellent living conditions
 - B. Strong voting protections
 - C. Violence and racial discrimination
 - D. Free transportation
12. Urban areas often became overcrowded because:
- A. Too many people moved into cities quickly
 - B. Farms grew larger
 - C. Roads disappeared
 - D. People moved back to the countryside
13. What role did factories play in urbanization?
- A. They reduced city populations
 - B. They attracted workers to cities
 - C. They eliminated transportation
 - D. They ended immigration
14. African American newspapers and organizations helped people by:
- A. Encouraging segregation
 - B. Providing information and support
 - C. Closing businesses
 - D. Preventing migration
15. Which statement best describes the Great Migration?
- A. A movement of settlers to the West
 - B. A migration of African Americans to urban areas for better opportunities
 - C. A return to plantation farming
 - D. A journey to other countries only