The Sand Creek Massacre of 1864

Part I – Multiple Choice

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. The Sand Creek Massacre took place in what year?
   A. 1850
   B. 1864
   C. 1876
   D. 1890
2. The Sand Creek Massacre occurred in which territory?
   A. Oregon Territory
   B. Utah Territory
   C. Colorado Territory
   D. New Mexico Territory
3. Which Native American tribes were primarily attacked at Sand Creek?
   A. Apache and Navajo
   B. Sioux and Crow
   C. Cheyenne and Arapaho
   D. Seminole and Creek
4. Who led the attack on the Native American camp?
   A. George Custer
   B. Kit Carson
   C. John Chivington
   D. William Sherman
5. The attack occurred on the morning of:
   A. July 4, 1864
   B. November 29, 1864
   C. December 25, 1864
   D. January 1, 1865
6. Many of the Native Americans at Sand Creek believed they were:
   A. Preparing for war
   B. Hunting buffalo
   C. Under the protection of the U.S. government
   D. Moving to Canada
7. Which flag was reportedly raised over the camp as a sign of peace?
   A. British flag
   B. French flag
   C. Mexican flag
   D. American flag
8. Approximately how many Native Americans were killed during the massacre?
   A. 20
   B. 50
   C. 150
   D. 500

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9. Most of the victims at Sand Creek were:
   A. Soldiers
   B. Women, children, and elderly people
   C. Fur traders
   D. Buffalo hunters

10. What river or creek was the site of the massacre?
   A. Red River
   B. Sand Creek
   C. Platte River
   D. Arkansas River

11. The Sand Creek Massacre increased conflict between Native Americans and:
   A. Canada
   B. Mexico
   C. The United States settlers and army
   D. Spain

12. John Chivington was a leader in the:
   A. U.S. Navy
   B. Colorado militia
   C. Texas Rangers
   D. Pony Express

13. Which chief was associated with the peaceful camp at Sand Creek?
   A. Sitting Bull
   B. Geronimo
   C. Black Kettle
   D. Crazy Horse

14. After the massacre, many Americans reacted with:
   A. Celebration only
   B. Shock and outrage
   C. Indifference
   D. Confusion about where it happened

15. The Sand Creek Massacre is remembered today as:
   A. A peaceful treaty signing
   B. A mining accident
   C. A tragic attack on Native Americans
   D. A Civil War battle between North and South

Part II – Matching

Match the person, group, or term with the correct description on the right

16. Black Kettle	A. Colorado militia leader
17. Cheyenne	B. Creek where massacre occurred
18. John Chivington	C. Native American tribe attacked
19. Sand Creek	D. Chief who tried to keep peace
20. Colorado militia	E. Group that carried out the attack

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Part III – Fill in the Blank

21. The Sand Creek Massacre happened in the year _____.

22. The Native American camp attacked at Sand Creek was mainly made up of _____ and Arapaho people.

23. Colonel _____ led the attack on the camp.

24. Chief _____ tried to maintain peace with U.S. officials before the massacre.

25. Many victims of the massacre were women, children, and the _____.

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