UNITED STATES HISTORY · ARIZONA

United States History

Practice Test

Unit 1: Exploration and Colonization

25 Questions

Original practice test based on the Arizona curriculum. Work through each question, then check your answers at the end.

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Question 1

The first permanent English settlement in North America was

A) Jamestown

B) Boston

C) Charleston

D) Plymouth

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Question 2

Jamestown was founded in the year ____

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Question 3

The settlers who arrived on the Mayflower in 1620 are usually called

A) Pilgrims

B) Quakers

C) Puritans

D) Cavaliers

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Question 4

The Mayflower Compact was an agreement by the settlers to

A) Pay taxes to Spain

B) Return to England

C) Ban all trade

D) Govern themselves

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Question 5

The crop that made early Virginia profitable was

A) Wheat

B) Tobacco

C) Cotton

D) Rice

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Question 6

The Massachusetts Bay Colony was founded mainly by people seeking

A) Gold in the mountains

B) A route to Asia

C) Religious freedom for their own Puritan faith

D) Land for cattle ranching

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Question 7

Spanish colonizers in the Americas used the encomienda system to

A) Trade furs with France

B) Build ships for England

C) Teach farming to settlers

D) Force Native people to labor

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Question 8

French colonization in North America centred mainly on

A) Gold mining

B) The fur trade

C) Large plantations

D) Textile mills

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Question 9

Which animal was introduced to the Americas from Europe

A) Bison

B) Turkey

C) Horse

D) Llama

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Question 10

The Middle Passage was the forced ocean journey of

A) English soldiers

B) Enslaved Africans

C) French trappers

D) Spanish priests

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Question 11

The Mayflower arrived at Plymouth in the year ____

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Question 12

The House of Burgesses in Virginia was important because it was

A) A royal court

B) A trading company

C) The first elected assembly in the English colonies

D) A church council

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Question 13

Bacon Rebellion in 1676 involved Virginia frontier settlers protesting

A) Taxes on tea

B) The slave trade

C) British control of Canada

D) The governor and his Native policy

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Question 14

The economy of New England relied heavily on

A) Tobacco plantations

B) Fishing, shipbuilding, and trade

C) Gold mining

D) Rice farming

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Question 15

The southern colonies relied mainly on plantation agriculture and

A) Factory labor

B) Mining

C) Enslaved labor

D) Fishing

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Question 16

Maryland was founded as a refuge for

A) Quakers

B) Puritans

C) Lutherans

D) Catholics

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Question 17

Pennsylvania was founded by William Penn for people seeking

A) Gold

B) Religious tolerance

C) A navy base

D) A fur monopoly

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Question 18

Georgia was founded in part as a buffer colony between South Carolina and

A) French Canada

B) Dutch New York

C) Spanish Florida

D) Russian Alaska

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Question 19

Triangular trade linked Europe, Africa, and the Americas through

A) Only finished goods

B) Only gold

C) Goods, enslaved people, and raw materials

D) Only ships

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Question 20

Christopher Columbus first reached the Americas in the year ____

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Question 21

Contact with Europeans harmed many Native peoples most severely through

A) New crops

B) Horses

C) Metal tools

D) Diseases

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Question 22

Mercantilism held that colonies existed mainly to benefit

A) Native peoples

B) Other colonies

C) The mother country

D) Private traders only

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Question 23

The Navigation Acts required most colonial trade to pass through

A) France

B) England

C) Spain

D) Portugal

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Question 24

The Great Awakening of the 1730s and 1740s was a

A) War with France

B) Gold rush

C) Religious revival

D) Tax revolt

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Question 25

Which colony began as the Dutch settlement of New Amsterdam

A) Virginia

B) Maryland

C) Georgia

D) New York

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. 1607
3. A
4. D
5. B
6. C
7. D
8. B
9. C
10. B
11. 1620
12. C
13. D
14. B
15. C
16. D
17. B
18. C
19. C
20. 1492
21. D
22. C
23. B
24. C
25. D

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