CALIFORNIA UNITED STATES HISTORY · UNIT 2

World War I, the 1920s, and the Great Depression — Practice Test

California United States History • 25 questions

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1 **The United States stayed neutral at the start of World War I, but the sinking of the Lusitania in 1915 by a German submarine killed 128 Americans and increased anger toward**

- A Germany
- B Britain
- C France
- D Russia

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2 **The Zimmermann Telegram of 1917 proposed that Germany ally with Mexico against the United States, helping push Congress to declare war on Germany in April of the year**

ANSWER _____

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3 **President Woodrow Wilson's Fourteen Points of 1918 called for open diplomacy, freedom of the seas, arms reduction, and a League of Nations to keep the**

A Empire

B Army

C Peace

D Trade

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4 **The Treaty of Versailles was rejected by the United States Senate, so the United States did not join the League of Nations and instead signed separate peace treaties with the former Central**

A Empires

B Powers

C Allies

D Colonies

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5 **The Espionage Act of 1917 and the Sedition Act of 1918 limited criticism of the war effort, raising debates about free speech that reached the Supreme Court in Schenck v. United**

A States

B Kingdom

C Nations

D Congress

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6 **The Great Migration of the 1910s and 1920s saw hundreds of thousands of African Americans move from the rural South to northern cities for factory jobs and to escape segregation and**

A Trade

B Farming

C Taxation

D Violence

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7 **The 1920s in America are often called the Roaring Twenties for jazz music, dancing, flappers, and a boom in consumer goods such as radios and**

- A Trains only
- B Horses
- C Automobiles
- D Ships

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8 **The Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s was a flowering of African American literature, music, and art centered in the Harlem neighborhood of New York**

- A Island
- B City
- C State
- D County

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9 **Prohibition under the Eighteenth Amendment banned alcohol, but it was widely evaded, encouraged organized crime, and was repealed by the Twenty-first Amendment in the year**

ANSWER _____

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10 **The Scopes Trial of 1925 in Tennessee tested a state law against teaching evolution in public schools and became a national debate about science and**

A Trade

B Farming

C Taxation

D Religion

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11 **The Immigration Act of 1924 set quotas that sharply limited immigration from southern and eastern Europe and barred immigration from**

A Canada

B Mexico

C Asia

D Africa

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12 **The stock market crash of October 1929 wiped out paper wealth, damaged banks, and helped start the Great Depression, a decade of high unemployment and falling**

A Farming only

B Prices

C Wages only

D Trade only

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13 **Causes of the Great Depression included overproduction, uneven wealth, weak farm income, bank failures, and heavy buying of stocks on**

A Margin

B Credit only

C Cash only

D Trade only

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14 **The Dust Bowl of the 1930s was a series of severe droughts and dust storms on the Great Plains that drove many farm families, called Okies, to migrate to**

A Texas

B Florida

C New York

D California

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15 **President Herbert Hoover responded to the Depression mainly with voluntary cooperation and limited relief, arguing against large direct federal aid to**

A Railroads

B Farms

C Individuals

D Banks

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16 **President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal used federal programs to provide relief, recovery, and reform, beginning with a bank holiday and emergency banking legislation in the year**

ANSWER _____

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17 **The Civilian Conservation Corps, created in 1933, gave young men jobs planting trees, building parks, and fighting soil**

A Erosion

B Trade

C Farming only

D Mining

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18 **The Tennessee Valley Authority, created in 1933, built dams for flood control and electricity in the Tennessee River valley, bringing power to rural**

A Cities only

B Farms only

C Mines only

D Areas

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19 **The Social Security Act of 1935 created old age pensions and unemployment insurance, forming a lasting part of the American welfare**

A Church

B School

C System

D Army

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20 **The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, created in 1933, insured bank deposits to restore confidence after thousands of bank**

A Branches

B Failures

C Mergers

D Loans only

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21 **The Wagner Act of 1935, also called the National Labor Relations Act, protected workers' right to form unions and bargain**

A Collectively

B Individually

C Secretly

D Voluntarily only

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22 **The Securities and Exchange Commission, created in 1934, regulated stock markets to prevent fraud and to require honest reporting by public**

A Farms

B Churches

C Schools

D Companies

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23 **The New Deal was criticized both by those who said it did too little and by those who said it expanded federal power too much, and the Supreme Court struck down some early New Deal laws such as the National Industrial Recovery Act in the year**

ANSWER _____

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24 **The Agricultural Adjustment Act paid growers to reduce production in order to raise farm prices, a policy that helped farm income but hurt sharecroppers and tenant**

A Miners

B Farmers

C Bankers

D Merchants

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25 **By the late 1930s the American economy had improved from the worst of the Depression but unemployment remained high until wartime production for World War II brought full**

A Employment

B Trade

C Farming

D Taxation

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. 1917
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. D
7. C
8. B
9. 1933
10. D
11. C
12. B
13. A
14. D
15. C
16. 1933
17. A
18. D
19. C
20. B
21. A
22. D
23. 1935
24. B
25. A

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