Final Exam — Practice Test

Illinois United States History II • 50 questions

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1 **John D Rockefeller built Standard Oil into a leader in which industry?**

- A Steel
- B Coal mining
- C Shipbuilding
- D Oil

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2 **The sinking of which British passenger ship in 1915 helped turn American opinion against Germany?**

- A Lusitania
- B Titanic
- C Queen Mary
- D Mayflower

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3 **The Marshall Plan provided United States aid to rebuild the economies of which region after World War II?**

- A Latin America
- B Western Europe
- C Southeast Asia
- D Sub-Saharan Africa

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4 **The Montgomery bus boycott of 1955 to 1956 was sparked by the arrest of which activist?**

- A Martin Luther King Jr as organizer only
- B Malcolm X
- C Rosa Parks
- D Thurgood Marshall

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5 **In what year was the transcontinental railroad completed at Promontory Utah?**

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6 **Why did the United States Senate refuse to join the League of Nations after World War I?**

- A It feared loss of sovereignty and entanglement in foreign wars
- B It wanted war with Britain
- C It opposed all trade
- D It wanted to join the Axis

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7 **Containment as a Cold War policy meant what?**

- A Invading the Soviet Union
- B Preventing the spread of communism
- C Ending all trade
- D Building the Berlin Wall

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8 **The March from Selma to Montgomery in 1965 protested what?**

A Voting discrimination

B School funding

C The Vietnam War only

D Housing prices

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9 **Which labor organization was led by Samuel Gompers and focused on skilled workers?**

A Knights of Labor

B Industrial Workers of the World

C National Grange

D American Federation of Labor

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10 **President Woodrow Wilson Fourteen Points called for what after World War I?**

A A harsh punishment of France

B United States control of Europe

C A League of Nations and open diplomacy

D An end to all navies forever

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11 **Senator Joseph McCarthy in the early 1950s claimed without solid evidence that communists had infiltrated what?**

A The British navy only

B Canadian schools only

C The United Nations headquarters only

D The United States government

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12 **President Lyndon Johnson Great Society programs of the 1960s included which health program for older Americans?**

A Medicaid only for the poor

B Medicare

C Social Security only

D Food stamps only

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13 **The Nineteenth Amendment ratified in 1920 granted what right?**

A Direct election of senators

B Prohibition of alcohol

C A federal income tax

D Women the right to vote

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14 **The Dust Bowl of the 1930s mainly affected farmers in which region?**

A New England

B The Pacific coast

C Florida

D The Great Plains

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15 **The launch of Sputnik led the United States to create which space agency in 1958?**

A Central Intelligence Agency

B Federal Aviation Administration

C National Aeronautics and Space Administration

D National Science Foundation only

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16 **The Camp David Accords of 1978 produced a peace treaty between Egypt and Israel brokered by which president?**

- A Richard Nixon
- B Jimmy Carter
- C Ronald Reagan
- D George H W Bush

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17 **Jacob Riis wrote about crowded tenement life in New York City in which book?**

- A The Jungle
- B The Octopus
- C The Shame of the Cities
- D How the Other Half Lives

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18 **Which 1941 program allowed the United States to supply Britain and later the Soviet Union with war material?**

A Cash and Carry only

B Marshall Plan

C Lend Lease

D Truman Doctrine

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19 **The domino theory used to justify United States involvement in Vietnam held that if one country fell to communism what would happen?**

A All wars would end

B Trade would increase

C Neighboring countries would also fall

D The United Nations would close

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20 **The North American Free Trade Agreement of 1994 created a free trade zone among the United States Canada and which country?**

A Brazil

B Mexico

C Chile

D Colombia

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21 **The telephone patented in 1876 is most associated with which inventor?**

A Thomas Edison

B Henry Ford

C George Westinghouse

D Alexander Graham Bell

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22 **The Battle of Stalingrad from 1942 to 1943 was a turning point on which front?**

A The Eastern Front

B The Western Front

C The Pacific Front

D The African Front

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23 **The Vietnam War ended for the United States with the Paris Peace Accords in what year?**

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24 **The terrorist attacks of September 11 2001 targeted New York City and which other location?**

A The White House only

B Chicago

C The Pentagon in Virginia

D Los Angeles

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25 **President Theodore Roosevelt Square Deal promised fair treatment for which groups?**

A Consumers workers and businesses

B Only large corporations

C Only foreign governments

D Only railroad owners

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26 **Atomic bombs were dropped on which two Japanese cities in August 1945?**

A Tokyo and Kyoto

B Osaka and Kobe

C Yokohama and Sapporo

D Hiroshima and Nagasaki

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27 **The Strategic Arms Limitation Talks agreements of the 1970s aimed to limit what?**

A Space travel

B Nuclear weapons

C Conventional armies only

D Trade with China

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28 **Barack Obama elected in 2008 was the first African American to hold which office?**

A Chief Justice

B President

C Secretary of State

D Speaker of the House

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29 **The Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914 strengthened antitrust law and protected what?**

A Labor unions from being treated as illegal combinations

B Monopolies from prosecution

C Foreign trade only

D State banks only

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30 **The Nuremberg Trials after World War II prosecuted leaders of which regime for war crimes?**

A Fascist Italy

B Nazi Germany

C Imperial Japan only

D The Soviet Union

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31 **Winston Churchill Iron Curtain speech in 1946 at Fulton Missouri warned that Europe was divided between East and West by what?**

A Soviet domination of Eastern Europe

B A physical wall in Berlin only

C British control of France

D American isolation

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32 **The Little Rock Nine in 1957 were African American students who integrated which school?**

A Central High School in Little Rock Arkansas

B A university in Texas

C A school in Alabama only

D A school in Mississippi only

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33 **Which industry was transformed by Henry Ford assembly line methods?**

A Automobiles

B Steel

C Textiles

D Coal

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34 **Which disease pandemic killed millions worldwide in 1918 and 1919 during and after World War I?**

A Influenza

B Cholera

C Smallpox

D Yellow fever

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35 **The first American to orbit Earth was which astronaut in 1962?**

A Neil Armstrong

B John Glenn

C Alan Shepard

D Buzz Aldrin

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36 **The feminist movement of the 1960s and 1970s sought equal rights for women including passage of which proposed amendment?**

A Twenty Sixth Amendment

B Eighteenth Amendment

C Equal Rights Amendment

D Sixteenth Amendment

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37 **Which Progressive reform allowed voters to propose laws directly?**

A Initiative

B Gerrymandering

C Filibuster

D Veto

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38 **President Franklin D Roosevelt first inaugural address in 1933 said the only thing we have to fear is what?**

A War

B Fear itself

C Poverty only

D Foreign trade

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39 **The Hungarian Uprising of 1956 was suppressed by forces from which country?**

A The United States

B Britain

C The Soviet Union

D France

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40 **The oil embargo of 1973 by Arab oil producers led to what in the United States?**

A Lower gasoline prices

B Fuel shortages and higher gasoline prices

C More oil exports

D An end to car use

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41 **The Eighteenth Amendment ratified in 1919 prohibited what?**

A Child labor

B Women voting

C Income taxes

D The manufacture and sale of alcohol

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42 **The Neutrality Acts of the 1930s aimed to keep the United States out of war by doing what?**

A Sending troops to Europe

B Building atomic bombs

C Restricting arms sales and loans to warring nations

D Joining the League of Nations

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43 **The Iran hostage crisis began in 1979 when American diplomats were seized in which city?**

A Baghdad

B Kabul

C Tehran

D Riyadh

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44 **The September 11 attacks led the United States to create which department in 2002?**

A Department of Energy

B Department of Homeland Security

C Department of Education

D Department of Veterans Affairs

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45 **The Panama Canal completed in 1914 connected which two bodies of water?**

A Great Lakes and Hudson River

B Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea

C Atlantic and Pacific Oceans

D Mississippi River and Pacific Ocean

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46 **The Tuskegee Airmen in World War II were known as what?**

- A A naval submarine crew
- B A tank division in Europe only
- C A medical unit
- D The first African American military aviators in the United States Army Air Forces

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47 **In what year did the Soviet Union dissolve?**

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48 **The COVID 19 pandemic that disrupted schools and workplaces in the United States began to spread widely in what year?**

ANSWER _____

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49 **In what year did the United States annex Hawaii?**

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50 **In what year did the United States drop atomic bombs on Japan?**

ANSWER _____

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ANSWER KEY

1.	D	**10.**	C	**19.**	C	**28.**	B	**37.**	A	**46.**	D
2.	A	**11.**	D	**20.**	B	**29.**	A	**38.**	B	**47.**	1991
3.	B	**12.**	B	**21.**	D	**30.**	B	**39.**	C	**48.**	2020
4.	C	**13.**	D	**22.**	A	**31.**	A	**40.**	B	**49.**	1898
5.	1869	**14.**	D	**23.**	1973	**32.**	A	**41.**	D	**50.**	1945
6.	A	**15.**	C	**24.**	C	**33.**	A	**42.**	C		
7.	B	**16.**	B	**25.**	A	**34.**	A	**43.**	C		
8.	A	**17.**	D	**26.**	D	**35.**	B	**44.**	B		
9.	D	**18.**	C	**27.**	B	**36.**	C	**45.**	C		

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