UNITED STATES HISTORY II · ILLINOIS

United States History II

Practice Test

Unit 4: Modern America

25 Questions

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

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Question 1

Brown v Board of Education in 1954 ruled that racial segregation in public schools was what?

A) Legal if equal

B) Unconstitutional

C) Required by federal law

D) A state choice only

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Question 2

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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Question 3

Martin Luther King Jr delivered his I Have a Dream speech in 1963 during a march in which city?

A) Birmingham

B) Washington DC

C) Selma

D) Memphis

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Question 4

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 banned discrimination in public accommodations and employment based on what?

A) Age only

B) Political party only

C) Citizenship only

D) Race color religion sex or national origin

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Question 5

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 aimed to end barriers to voting for which group?

A) Immigrants only

B) African Americans in the South

C) Women only

D) Soldiers only

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Question 6

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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Question 7

Title IX of 1972 prohibited sex discrimination in education programs receiving what?

A) Private donations only

B) Federal funding

C) State taxes only

D) Foreign aid

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Question 8

The Environmental Protection Agency was created in 1970 to do what?

A) Manage national parks only

B) Build highways

C) Protect human health and the environment

D) Regulate banks

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Question 9

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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Question 10

The Watergate scandal led to the resignation of which president in 1974?

A) Lyndon Johnson

B) Gerald Ford

C) Jimmy Carter

D) Richard Nixon

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Question 11

In what year did Richard Nixon resign as president?

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Question 12

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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Question 13

Reaganomics in the 1980s emphasized tax cuts deregulation and what?

A) Higher tariffs only

B) Nationalizing industry

C) Reduced government spending on domestic programs

D) Ending free trade

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Question 14

The ADA of 1990 prohibited discrimination against people with what?

A) Disabilities

B) Foreign citizenship

C) Low income only

D) Age over 65 only

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Question 15

The Persian Gulf War of 1991 was fought to liberate which country from Iraqi occupation?

A) Kuwait

B) Saudi Arabia

C) Iran

D) Jordan

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Question 16

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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Question 17

President Bill Clinton was impeached by the House in 1998 but was not removed by which body?

A) The Supreme Court

B) The House again

C) State governors

D) The Senate

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Question 18

The Supreme Court case Bush v Gore in 2000 effectively decided which presidential election?

A) 1996 election

B) 2000 election

C) 2004 election

D) 1988 election

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Question 19

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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Question 20

In what year did the United States begin military operations in Afghanistan after the September 11 attacks?

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Question 21

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 is commonly known by what name?

A) Obamacare

B) Medicare for All

C) Trumpcare

D) Great Society Health Act

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Question 22

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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Question 23

The Great Recession that began in 2008 was triggered mainly by a crisis in which market?

A) Oil

B) Agriculture

C) Steel

D) Housing and financial markets

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Question 24

The United States Mexico Canada Agreement replaced NAFTA in what year?

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Question 25

Which technology change of the 1990s and 2000s most transformed communication commerce and access to information?

A) The telegraph

B) The radio only

C) The internet and World Wide Web

D) The printing press

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13. C
14. A
15. A
16. B
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18. B
19. C
20. 2001
21. A
22. B
23. D
24. 2020
25. C

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