SASKATCHEWAN HISTORY 30: CANADIAN STUDIES · UNIT B

The Road to Confederation and Nation Building — Practice Test

Saskatchewan History 30: Canadian Studies • 10 questions

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George Brown, George Etienne Cartier, and John A. Macdonald formed the Great Coalition in 1864 to pursue

A only railway building

B only free trade

C Confederation

D only defence

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2 **Nova Scotia entered Confederation despite opposition from Joseph Howe, who later accepted union after better**

A military terms

B railway terms only

C trade terms only

D financial terms

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3 **The Intercolonial Railway linked the Maritimes to central Canada and was a condition of Confederation for**

A New Brunswick and Nova Scotia

B only Ontario

C only Quebec

D only Prince Edward Island

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4 **Ruperts Land was transferred from the Hudson Bay Company to Canada in 1869, a transfer that ignored the rights and wishes of**

A only fur traders

B Indigenous and Metis peoples living there

C only British settlers

D only American settlers

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5 **The North West Resistance of 1885, led by Louis Riel and Gabriel Dumont at Batoche, ended in defeat for the Metis and the execution of**

A Dumont

B Macdonald

C Riel

D Sifton

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6 **The completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1885 at Craigellachie, British Columbia, was marked by Donald Smith driving the**

- A first spike
- B golden spike only in California
- C silver spike only in Ontario
- D last spike

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7 **The Crow Rate was a railway freight rate that subsidized grain transport from the prairies, benefiting western farmers but costing**

- A railways and eastern interests
- B only farmers
- C only railways
- D only eastern manufacturers

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8 **Homesteading on the prairies offered 160 acres for a small fee if settlers lived on and improved the land, a policy that encouraged**

- A only speculation
- B settlement
- C only railway building
- D only mining

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9 **The Yukon became a territory in 1898 during the Klondike rush, when thousands rushed north seeking**

- A only furs
- B only timber
- C gold
- D only farmland

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10 **A student studying nation building should examine how policies benefited some groups while harming others, especially Indigenous peoples and**

A only British immigrants

B only French Canadians

C only railway workers

D racialized immigrants

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ANSWER KEY

1.	C	**5.**	C	**9.**	C
2.	D	**6.**	D	**10.**	D
3.	A	**7.**	A		
4.	B	**8.**	B		

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