

BLACKLINE MASTER 8A - Test Questions (Answers in Teacher Guide)
20th Century Turning Points in U.S. History - Program Eight 1973 – 1999

1. 1973 - Second Battle of Wounded Knee -In 1934, the Indian stood on the verge of extinction, his culture obliterated in an attempt to make him forget his language and customs.

a. True

b. False

2. As a result of the 2nd battle of Wounded Knee, the federal government

a. Began a covert war against Native American tribes

b. Confiscated all Native American lands

c. Embraced Self determination for Native Americans

d. Accepted the Sherman policy "The only good Indian is a dead Indian

3. After 1973, Roe v. Wade changed the political discourse of the country by

a. Demanding all women get equal pay for equal work

b. Forcing every politician, every high judicial appointment and every attorney general to lay out how he or she felt about abortion

c. Desegregating American high schools

d. Deregulating the fishing industry

4. After 1973 pro-choice advocates on the left and right-to-life advocates on the right began a bitter and sometime violent conflict between their two points of view.

a. True

b. False.

5. 1976 - Personal Computers Herald the Post Industrial Age -The two inventions that made the computer age possible were

a. The transistor and the integrated circuit

c. The internet and the cell phone

b. The joystick and the mouse

d. The PDA and firewire

6. The men most responsible for the revolution in personal computers are

a. Al Gore, Bill Clinton, Henry Ford and Paul Allen

b. Steven Jobs, Thomas Edison, Bill Gates and Paul Allen

c. Steven Jobs, Steve Wozniak, Bill Gates and Paul Allen

d. James Watt, Ronald Reagan, Al Gore. Thomas Edison

7. 1983 - The Grenada Conflict - The United States retreated temporarily from its military obligations after

a. The Vietnam War

c. World War II

b. The Cold War

d. The Korean War

8. Which minor conflict(s) boosted American military morale and rekindled the faith of the American people in their armed forces.
- a. The invasion of Grenada
 - b. The invasion of Panama
 - c. The bombing of Libya
 - d. All of these
9. The economy of the 19th century was based on Adam Smith's theory of:
- a. An invisible hand guiding a free market, also known as laissez faire and trickle-down economics
 - b. Socialism
 - c. Communism
 - d. Relativity
10. Keynesian economics stated that only the government could protect the weak and poor against unscrupulous capitalists by limiting corporate size, constantly leveling the playing field, and spending when needed.
- a. True
 - b. False
11. Alan Greenspan's economic theory was to manage the economy through
- a. Controlling the sale of stock in the Stock Market to prevent another crash as in 1929
 - b. Controlling interest bearing foreign bonds to keep the foreign exchange rate even
 - c. Controlling money supply and interest rates to fine-tune monetary policy
 - d. All of the above
12. In two hundred years, the United States' military response to the world's conflicts had evolved from isolationism advocated by Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt to defender of democracy as championed by George Washington.
- a. True
 - b. False
13. America's successful intervention in Kuwait signaled the beginning of a greater role of the American military in the world.
- a. True
 - b. False
14. America won the Cold war
- a. By defeating Soviet armies in Afghanistan
 - b. By defeating Saddam Hussein in the first Gulf War
 - c. By issuing a U.N. Resolution outlawing Communism
 - d. Through economics
15. President Reagan used a combination of clever international bluffing-the Strategic Defense Initiative or STAR Wars- and increased defense spending, forcing the Soviet Union into

- a. An unwanted war in Afghanistan
- b. An economic confrontation
- c. Both of these
- d. None of these

16. 1994 - Whitewater Leads to the Impeachment of President Clinton.

Throughout the 20th century, the Presidency steadily expanded its power at the expense of

- a. The American electorate
- b. The judicial branch
- c. The Congressional branch
- d. The Judicial and Congressional branches

17. The impeachment process for Clinton distracted the administration and the Congress allowing

- a. The threat of terrorism and a faltering economy to slip under the radar during this time
- b. The American people to evade taxes
- c. To lose the Cold War
- d. Bill Clinton to be reelected to a third term

18. 1999 - Y2K Ends the American Century -The three ages of America are:

- a. Agrarian, antiquarian and vegetarian
- b. Rotarian, Industrial and Pre industrial
- c. Agrarian, Industrial and Post Industrial
- d. None of the above

19. The two events which cast the future in uncertainty for many Americans were the possible computer glitch called Y2K and terrorists trying to smuggle weapons and explosives into the United States from Canada.

- a. True
- b. False

Extra Credit:

1. Name the thirteen colonies.

Answer: Virginia, Massachusetts, Maryland, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina and South Carolina, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Georgia

2. Which two documents have guided the nation since the end of the 18th century.

Answer: The Constitution and the Bill of Rights

3. Name four groups of Americans that gained civil and political rights in the 20th century.

Answer: Women, African Americans, Hispanic Americans and Asian Americans