

Part 1: The Anchor Facts of American History

A. Write a brief description of the key event occurring at the date indicated, and explain why it is important in *American history*.

1. 1861-65 AD

2. 1607 / 1620 AD

3. 1555 AD

4. c.3000 BC

5. 1517 AD

6. 1648 AD

Part 2: Slavery and the Decline of the Union

7. By what means might slavery have been abolished in the Constitution of the United States before the Civil War? Why was this not possible?

8. What was "abolitionism"? Who are two famous abolitionists and what did they do?

9. What are the two key components of the Compromise of 1850 involving the admission of California into the Union?

10. What did the Supreme Court rule in the Dred Scott Case? How did it this relate to the Missouri Compromise of 1820?

Part 4: The Industrial Revolution

14. What do the *American* Revolution and the *Industrial* Revolution have in common that makes them both revolutions?

15. Explain the connection by means of examples between means of *communication* and three different cardinal values ones needs to survive.

16. Explain the role of *two* of the mechanical inventions that revolutionized the production of clothing during the textile revolution.

Part 5: Bonus Questions

17. What Union general besieged Atlanta and conducted the “March to the Sea”?

18. What state was added to the Union at the same time as Missouri?

19. In what war was the Battle of the Alamo fought?

20. In the making of clothing, what is the name of the activity that produces thread?
