

**Part 1: The Anchor Facts of American History**

Write a brief description of the key event occurring at the date indicated.

1. 1492 AD

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2. c.508 BC / c. 509 BC

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3. c.3000 BC

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4. 1861-65

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5. 476 AD

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**Part 2: Slavery and the Decline of the Union**

6. What was the Missouri Compromise? What limit did it place on the Federal government's ability to limit slavery?

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7. What was "abolitionism"? Who were two famous abolitionists, and what did they do?

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8. How did the addition of Texas into the Union lead to the addition of California as well?

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9. What did the Kansas-Nebraska Act say? How did it affect the Missouri Compromise?

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**Part 3: Civil War and Reconstruction**

10. What is secession? How did president Lincoln respond to the secession of the South?

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11. During the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation. Explain in your own words what it said.

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12. If the thirteenth amendment ended slavery in America, why were the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments believed necessary? What did these amendments do?

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**Part 4: The Industrial Revolution**

13. What is the Industrial Revolution? Give an example of one of the big changes it involves.

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14. Explain the connection between means of transportation and the values one needs to survive. Give an example of how modern transportation makes it possible for you to enjoy a value created far from where you live.

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15. Explain how the Communication Revolution changed the “speed of ideas,” i.e. the speed at which ideas can be communicated across great distances.

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**Part 5: Bonus Questions**

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

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

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

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19. What is the name of the code used on a telegraph?

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

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