

The American Yawp

Chapter 14 – The Civil War

Quiz

1. The Civil war resulted in approximately how many deaths?
 - a. 200,000
 - b. 600,000
 - c. 750,000
 - d. 1.5 million
2. What was the key issue that divided the Democratic Party in 1860?
 - a. Western land policy
 - b. Tariffs
 - c. Constitutional theory
 - d. Slavery
3. What was the goal of the Anaconda Plan?
 - a. Capture the Confederate capital of Richmond
 - b. Isolate the wealthy port cities of Texas
 - c. Cut off access to coastal ports and inland waterways
 - d. Target civilians to destroy the will of southern resistance
4. This battle was the first major battle on Union soil and remains the bloodiest single day in American history:
 - a. Gettysburg
 - b. Antietam
 - c. Manassas
 - d. Vicksburg
5. All of the following statements about the battle of Gettysburg are true EXCEPT
 - a. Forced Gen. Lee to retreat from Pennsylvania
 - b. Bloodiest battle of the war, with 51,000 casualties
 - c. Lasted a single day
 - d. Turned on the disastrous Confederate assault known as Pickett's Charge
6. Who led the March to the Sea?
 - a. Sherman
 - b. Hooker
 - c. Grant
 - d. McClellan
7. What was the term for radical southerners who promoted secession as early as 1850?
 - a. Disunion apostles
 - b. Johnnies
 - c. Fire-eaters

- d. Grey caps
8. Confederate Vice President Alexander Stephen’s influential “Cornerstone Speech” declared that the cornerstone of the Confederacy rests _____.
- a. “upon the bedrock of Constitutional liberty”
 - b. “upon the great truth that the negro is not equal to the white man; that slavery... is his natural and normal condition”
 - c. “upon the divine will of a loving and all-powerful god, who promises deliverance and strength to all his faithful children”
 - d. “upon the power and terrifying might of the Confederate Army”
9. Why did Union soldiers feel that it was so important to defend the Union?
- a. They feared that if a minority could dissolve part of the country whenever they lost a fair and open election, then this great experiment would collapse
 - b. The Union represented the best hope for human rights
 - c. If the Union dissolved, it would mean that a democratic people could not govern themselves
 - d. All the above
10. Black men made up what percent of the Union army?
- a. 2%
 - b. 5%
 - c. 10%
 - d. 22%
11. The majority of black Union soldiers had _____.
- a. Been born enslaved
 - b. Had been born free in northern cities
 - c. Collaborated with radical abolitionists on the Underground Railroad
 - d. None of the above
12. Women on both sides of the war contributed to the conflict by performing all of the following EXCEPT
- a. Filling shortages of men by serving in state legislatures
 - b. Spying on the enemy
 - c. Nursing wounded or ill soldiers
 - d. Dressing as men and fighting in battles
13. What proved to be the most deadly aspect of the Civil War?
- a. New rifle technology
 - b. Explosive grapeshot
 - c. Disease
 - d. Suicide
14. What provided the greatest boost to Abraham Lincoln’s 1864 reelection?
- a. Emancipation Proclamation and votes from black Americans
 - b. Military success of William T. Sherman
 - c. Incompetence of Democratic candidate George B. McClellan

- d. Support of influential radical Republicans
15. Which of the following statements describes the process of emancipation?
- a. African Americans took action into their own hands and forced the Union to create a policy
 - b. The First Confiscation Act provided the roots of emancipation, as Congress empowered military leaders to provide freedom to enslaved persons
 - c. The Thirteenth Amendment declared that slavery was illegal in all American territory
 - d. All the above