



## US History Bee - A Set Qualifying Examination

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**Instructions – Print the letter of the correct answer in the space provided or leave it blank. Write neatly and in capital letters. Correct answers are worth 2 points. Incorrect answers are worth –1 point. Questions left blank are worth 0 points.**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Which of the following best describes the contributions of Dorothea Dix?

- A. She was a suffragette who led the Seneca Falls Convention.
- B. She inserted the importance of strong female characters into American literature.
- C. She advocated for mental health and prison reforms.
- D. She was often jailed for her violent support of temperance.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Which of the following served as vice president to both John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson?

- A. John C. Calhoun
- B. Martin Van Buren
- C. George Clinton
- D. Richard Johnson

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. The Emancipation Proclamation was issued after which of the following Civil War battles?

- A. the Battle of Gettysburg
- B. the Battle of Antietam
- C. the Vicksburg Campaign
- D. the First Battle of Bull Run

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. The National Road, built to connect to western states, originated in which of the following states?

- A. Maryland
- B. Virginia
- C. Pennsylvania
- D. Ohio

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Which of the following projects helped establish New York as a leader in industry?

- A. the George Washington Bridge
- B. the New York-Philadelphia telegraph line
- C. the Mohawk and Hudson Rail Road
- D. the Erie Canal

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. The Twenty-Second Amendment was ratified in response to which of the following presidencies?

- A. Theodore Roosevelt
- B. Woodrow Wilson
- C. Franklin Roosevelt
- D. Harry Truman

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. James Madison was involved in the drafting of all of the following except?

- A. The Articles of Confederation
- B. The Declaration of Independence
- C. The Constitution of the United States
- D. The Federalist Papers

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Which of the following was the first Democratic-Republican elected president?

- A. George Washington
- B. John Adams
- C. Thomas Jefferson
- D. John Quincy Adams

\_\_\_\_\_ 9. John Oglethorpe initially established which of the following as a penal colony in the 1730s?

- A. South Carolina
- B. Virginia
- C. Georgia
- D. Maryland

\_\_\_\_\_ 10. The Great Migration was the 20<sup>th</sup> century movement of which of the following demographics out of the south?

- A. White middle-class families
- B. Black Americans
- C. Chinese migrant workers
- D. Eastern European immigrants

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. Which of the following foreign policies inspired Congress to reject Woodrow Wilson's Fourteen Points?

- A. Containment
- B. Isolationism
- C. Interventionism
- D. Cooperation

\_\_\_\_\_ 12. Ms. Magazine was founded by what influential feminist of the 1960s and 1970s?

- A. Betty Friedan
- B. Emma Goldman
- C. Gloria Steinem
- D. Margaret Sanger

\_\_\_\_\_ 13. The British levied which of the following taxes first chronologically on the American colonies?

- A. The Tea Act
- B. The Stamp Act
- C. The Townshend Acts
- D. The Sugar Act

\_\_\_\_\_ 14. Programs like the GI Bill encouraged the growth of suburban living in the aftermath of which of the following events?

- A. World War I
- B. the Great Depression
- C. World War II
- D. the Vietnam War

\_\_\_\_\_ 15. Which of the following best describes Executive Order 9981?

- A. It authorized the internment of people of Japanese descent.
- B. It created a commission to plan for the common defense of the US and Mexico.
- C. It banned discrimination within the federal government.
- D. It abolished racial segregation in the military.

\_\_\_\_\_ 16. Which of the following was not included in the Coercive Acts?

- A. A ban on the loading and unloading of boats in Boston Harbor.
- B. The power of the Massachusetts charter was removed and transferred to the king.
- C. Previous Quartering Acts were strengthened.
- D. Taxes were raised on goods imported to the American colonies.

\_\_\_\_\_ 17. Which of the following events prompted the Annapolis Convention?

- A. Whiskey Rebellion
- B. Shay's Rebellion
- C. Nat Turner's Rebellion
- D. Leisler's Rebellion

\_\_\_\_\_ 18. Slave importation was made illegal in America in which of the following decades?

- A. 1780s
- B. 1790s
- C. 1800s
- D. 1810s

\_\_\_\_\_ 19. The Wampanoag tribe resisted English settlement on their land in which of the following conflicts?

- A. Pequot War
- B. Metacom's War
- C. Pontiac War
- D. Lord Dunmore's War

\_\_\_\_\_ 20. Which of the following was not included in the Compromise of 1850?

- A. Statehood for California
- B. A national fugitive slave law
- C. Ban on slave trading in Washington D.C.
- D. Repeal of the Missouri Compromise

\_\_\_\_\_ 21. Bleeding Kansas commenced upon the signing of a namesake document in what year?

- A. 1850
- B. 1854
- C. 1856
- D. 1860

\_\_\_\_\_ 22. Beecher's Bibles supplied which of the following resources to the abolitionist movement in Kansas?

- A. bibles
- B. food
- C. clothes
- D. guns

\_\_\_\_\_ 23. Robert Fulton contributed which of the following inventions to American industrialization?

- A. the steamboat
- B. the sewing machine
- C. the combustion engine
- D. the steel plow

\_\_\_\_\_ 24. The Industrial Revolution was sparked in the Lowell Mills in what state?

- A. New York
- B. Massachusetts
- C. Pennsylvania
- D. Virginia

\_\_\_\_\_ 25. Which of the following Supreme Court cases tested the "necessary and proper clause"?

- A. McCulloch v. Maryland
- B. Worcester v. Georgia
- C. Marbury v. Madison
- D. New Jersey v. Wilson

\_\_\_\_\_ 26. The death of which of the following presidents first challenged president succession?

- A. William Henry Harrison
- B. John Tyler
- C. Zachary Taylor
- D. Franklin Pierce

\_\_\_\_\_ 27. Which of the following is not true of the French and Indian War?

- A. France surrendered colonial territory in America in the aftermath of the conflict.
- B. The conflict was just the American theater of a larger, global conflict.
- C. George Washington's attack on fort Duquesne sparked the conflict.
- D. The conflict was ended by the Treaty of Paris in 1783.

\_\_\_\_\_ 28. Which of the following best describes the purpose of the Convention of 1800?

- A. It officially ended the Quasi-War between America and France.
- B. It established a three-member American delegation to travel to France to broker peace.
- C. It was an agreement between England and America to protect neutrality of the seas.
- D. It was the first transition of power between political parties in America.

\_\_\_\_\_ 29. Which of the following established direct election of US senators?

- A. The Fifteenth Amendment
- B. The Sixteenth Amendment
- C. The Seventeenth Amendment
- D. The Eighteenth Amendment

\_\_\_\_\_ 30. Which of the following bills included a provision that amendments could never be altered in order to protect slavery?

- A. Washington Peace Convention
- B. Crittenden Compromise
- C. the Corwin Amendment
- D. Wilmot Proviso

\_\_\_\_\_ 31. Which of the following best describes the goal of Republican Motherhood?

- A. Support of women's suffrage
- B. Moral education of future voters
- C. Civic education of male family members
- D. Domestic submission to husband and children

\_\_\_\_\_ 32. Which of the following was the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize for her work at Hull House?

- A. Jane Addams
- B. Ellen Gates Starr
- C. Florence Kelley
- D. Dr. Alice Hamilton

\_\_\_\_\_ 33. Cornelius Vanderbilt amassed his wealth through a monopoly in which of the following industries?

- A. steel
- B. finance
- C. railroads
- D. telecommunications

\_\_\_\_\_ 34. Cordell Hull served the longest in which of the following cabinet positions he filled for Franklin Roosevelt?

- A. Secretary of Treasury
- B. Attorney General
- C. Vice President
- D. Secretary of State

\_\_\_\_\_ 35. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 bans the use of what tool of disenfranchisement?

- A. poll tax
- B. white primaries
- C. grandfather clause
- D. literacy tests

\_\_\_\_\_ 36. All of the following territories were ceded to the United States after the Spanish-American War except?

- A. Cuba
- B. Puerto Rico
- C. Guam
- D. The Philippines

\_\_\_\_\_ 37. Which of the following was the name given to the foreign policy of William Howard Taft?

- A. Monroe Doctrine
- B. Roosevelt Corollary
- C. Dollar Diplomacy
- D. Moral Diplomacy

\_\_\_\_\_ 38. The Marshall Plan was created to do which of the following?

- A. To support democratic nations under threat by communist forces
- B. To create a multinational organization to broker peace between states
- C. To protect US interests in the Middle East
- D. To provide aid to war-torn Western European countries

\_\_\_\_\_ 39. Which of the following was accomplished by the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938?

- A. The right to a minimum wage
- B. The ability to earn overtime pay
- C. The prohibition of child labor
- D. The Fair Labor Standards Act accomplished all of these things.

\_\_\_\_\_ 40. Which of the following policies made the restrictions of the Emergency Quota Act permanent?

- A. the National Origins Act
- B. the Tydings-McDuffie Act
- C. the Cable Act
- D. the Immigration and Nationality Act

\_\_\_\_\_ 41. In the Compromise of 1877, Rutherford B. Hayes won the presidency in exchange for which of the following?

- A. Naming Samuel Tilden to his cabinet
- B. Repealing Jim Crow laws in the South
- C. Ending Reconstruction
- D. Subsidizing farmers in the West

\_\_\_\_\_ 42. The Republican party lost the presidency in 1912 largely due to the development of what third party?

- A. the Greenback Party
- B. the Prohibition Party
- C. the Populist Party
- D. the Progressive Party

\_\_\_\_\_ 43. A Hooverville can be best described as which of the following?

- A. Homeless encampments during the Great Depression
- B. Refugee farm families who migrated West to escape the Depression
- C. Drought-stricken farms in the Southwest
- D. Densely populated apartments in impoverished urban areas

\_\_\_\_\_ 44. Eugene Debs led embittered railroad workers in what strike in May-July 1894?

- A. the Homestead Strike
- B. the Great Southwest Railroad Strike
- C. the Pullman Strike
- D. the Haymarket Strike

\_\_\_\_\_ 45. Senator Joseph McCarthy and the House Un-American Activities Committee investigated which of the following in the 1940s and 50s?

- A. Foreigners working in the United States without visas
- B. Alleged communist activity in the federal government
- C. Japanese immigrants evading internment camps
- D. Terrorists planning attacks on US soil

- \_\_\_\_\_ 46. What was the purpose of the Neutrality Acts?
- A. to maintain a coalition of governments that agreed to halt global conflict
  - B. to facilitate peaceful trade and travel in the Pacific Ocean
  - C. to support demilitarization of Antarctica
  - D. to limit US involvement in foreign conflicts
- \_\_\_\_\_ 47. The Iran Hostage Crisis was a large factor in Jimmy Carter's failed re-election in what year?
- A. 1972
  - B. 1976
  - C. 1980
  - D. 1984
- \_\_\_\_\_ 48. Ronald Reagan authorized the invasion of what island nation in Operation Urgent Fury?
- A. Grenada
  - B. Cuba
  - C. the Philippines
  - D. the Solomon Islands
- \_\_\_\_\_ 49. The occupation of which of the following nations prompted the Persian Gulf War?
- A. Iran
  - B. Iraq
  - C. Kuwait
  - D. Afghanistan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 50. The New Deal program the AAA was designed to do which of the following?
- A. Employ young men in environmental conservation project
  - B. Restore the agricultural industry by decreasing supply and raising prices
  - C. Spark the growth of business and improve labor conditions
  - D. Improve national infrastructure through the creation of new jobs