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SOCIAL STUDIES TEST

Directions: For multiple-choice items, choose the best answer then blacken the corresponding space on your Answer Document. If you change an answer, be sure to erase the first mark completely. When you respond to the short-answer and extended-response items, you do not have to use the entire area of the space provided. Be sure that your answers are complete and all your work appears in the Answer Document.

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| <p>1. In 1789, the French National Assembly issued the “Declaration of the Rights of Man,” based in part on the concepts expressed in the U.S. Declaration of Independence in 1776. Both documents reflected the Enlightenment belief that governments exist to protect the natural rights of citizens. What developments in France and the United States attempted to assure the implementation of this concept of government?</p> <p>A. drafting constitutional protections</p> <p>B. restoring monarchical rule</p> <p>C. gaining additional territory</p> <p>D. expanding the slave trade</p> | <p>2. One effect of widespread suburbanization in the United States during the 1920s was</p> <p>A. airlines adding routes to new cities.</p> <p>B. increased reliance upon the automobile.</p> <p>C. decreased immigration from Europe and Asia.</p> <p>D. television replacing radio as the most popular medium.</p> |
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3. Voters wishing to determine the reliability of a candidate's campaign advertisement should pay particular attention to
- A. the appropriateness of the campaign slogan.
 - B. the number of accusations against the opponent.
 - C. how well the candidate has supported his or her position with facts.
 - D. how much money the candidate has spent on advertising.
4. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press are limited by
- A. the 14th Amendment.
 - B. laws against slander and libel.
 - C. checks and balances of state governments.
 - D. the government's power of eminent domain.
5. A citizen group wants the local government to approve funding for a new public park in the city's downtown area. What statement could help support the position that the downtown area is an appropriate location for the park?
- A. The city will have to pay to maintain the park.
 - B. There are already several public parks in the city.
 - C. Many residents have signed a petition supporting the site of the proposed park.
 - D. The city could use the proposed location to build government offices.
6. Explain four effects of industrialization on living and working conditions for the early industrial working class that moved to the new industrial towns of 19th-century Britain. Write your answer in the **Answer Document**. (4 points)

7. How did the U.S. Constitution change as a result of the ratification of the 19th Amendment?
- A. The right of suffrage was extended to women.
 - B. Freedom of assembly was restricted.
 - C. The power of government decreased.
 - D. Freedom of the press was strengthened.
8. Progressive reformers after 1900 sought federal legislation to regulate working conditions and to set a minimum age for child labor. The need for this legislation was prompted by
- A. Civil War casualties leading to children taking the jobs of adults.
 - B. unions restricting membership to adult workers.
 - C. industrialists using child labor to keep production costs down.
 - D. lack of job opportunities for children seeking after-school jobs.
9. When the government controls all major industries and decides what products will be produced and how many of each type of product will be produced, what type of economy is described?
- A. mixed
 - B. market
 - C. traditional
 - D. command
10. The proposal by Great Britain to grant Indian independence in 1947 drew opposition from Muslim leaders. Their view was that they were denied a voice in the Hindu-dominated independence movement. As a result, Indian Muslims wanted
- A. a separate independent Muslim country.
 - B. the continuation of British rule until differences could be resolved.
 - C. an independent India dominated by Muslims.
 - D. the forced evacuation of Hindus from India.

11. Charles Schenck was found guilty of violating the 1917 Espionage Act by distributing leaflets through the mail urging men to resist induction under the military draft for World War I. On appeal, Schenck's attorneys argued the distribution of the leaflets was protected by the First Amendment. The Supreme Court upheld his conviction. This case illustrates how individual rights can be balanced against
- A. the rights of other individuals.
 - B. the security of the nation in a time of war.
 - C. the opportunities for people to enlist in the military.
 - D. the interest of the government in keeping courts open to provide justice.

12. During times of war or perceived danger to the United States, groups of Americans have been singled out as potentially disloyal to the country. For example, during World War I, patriotic support for the war led to a distrust and persecution of German-Americans. In some places, German language instruction was forbidden, and German culture and heritage were subject to discrimination.

- Identify a group of Americans that was targeted as potentially disloyal in the years between 1940 and 1985.
- Explain why this group was targeted.

Write your answer in the **Answer Document**. (2 points)

13. Ecuador is a major exporter of bananas, a product in high demand in the United States. How might the United States adjust its trade policy toward Ecuador to assure a supply?
- A. eliminate the tariff on bananas from Ecuador
 - B. increase export taxes on U.S. products sold to Ecuador
 - C. increase tariffs on bananas from Ecuador
 - D. prohibit the import of any other products from Ecuador
14. How did technological innovations of the late 20th century, such as communications satellites and the Internet, contribute to the exchange of cultural practices?
- A. They improved the efficiency of local governments.
 - B. They reduced economic inequality among nations.
 - C. They decreased the need for international cooperation.
 - D. They increased opportunities to exchange information and ideas.
15. Which source of information about candidates for public office probably would be free of bias?
- A. a pamphlet written by a political campaign worker
 - B. a newspaper editorial stating the newspaper's position
 - C. a reprint of the complete text of the last candidate debate
 - D. a political advertisement paid for by a political action committee
16. A noticeable change in the conduct of global trade in the last few decades is that trade issues between countries are often replaced by trade issues between regions. What accounts for this change?
- A. developing nations discouraging trade with developed nations
 - B. the United Nations having the final authority over trade disputes
 - C. the persistence of ethnic unrest, changing national boundaries, and widespread drought and disease
 - D. the formation of international trading blocs, such as the North American Free Trade Agreement and the European Union

Use the following list to answer question 17.

Key Developments for the United States in the 1920s

- easy credit and a rise in consumer debt
- growing unemployment in key industries such as construction
- overproduction and declining farm income
- buying stocks on margin and soaring stock prices

17. What was significant about the developments shown above for the United States in the 1920s?

- A. They were causes of World War II.
- B. They were signs of difficulties within the U.S. economy.
- C. They demonstrated the ability of the Federal Reserve to control the money supply.
- D. They led to legislation restricting immigration to the United States.

18. A town is considering building a community swimming pool. At a public hearing on the issue, supporters and opponents of the pool make the following statements:

Supporters

A report by the U.S. Surgeon General emphasized the health benefits of swimming for both children and adults. A recent university study found that communities with adequate recreation facilities had lower rates of juvenile delinquency than communities that did not.

Opponents

The pool is a bad idea for many reasons. There are better, more cost-effective ways to help kids than by building a pool. The town should be spending its money on more critical issues at this time. The pool would be a complete waste of the town's money.

- Which of these two statements includes credible sources of information that uphold the statement's position?
- Why does agreement with credible sources of information help make a statement believable?

Write your answer in the **Answer Document**. (2 points)

19. What factor contributed to the migration of large numbers of people from Europe to the United States in the late 19th century?
- A. Industrialization in the United States attracted laborers from Europe.
 - B. Economic prosperity in Europe allowed people to purchase land in the United States.
 - C. European social reform movements wanted to spread their beliefs to the United States.
 - D. The United States needed people to colonize the overseas territories it had recently acquired.

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