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8th Grade - 2nd Semester U.S. History

Study Guide

Directions:

(1)THE COMPLETED STUDY GUIDE IS YOUR TICKET INTO YOUR EXAM

(2) THE COMPLETED STUDY GUIDE IS PROOF YOU STUDIED

(3) THE COMPLETED STUDY GUIDE is a grade...equal to a quiz.

PART I:

Be able to explain the following (define):

✤ federalism

- checks and balances
- characteristics of a reliable source
- civil disobedience
- the Virginia Plan
- the New Jersey Plan
- the Great Compromise
- * Three-Fifths Compromise

- the Emancipation Proclamation
- Missouri Compromise
- ✤ Slavery
- Abolition
- N and S economies
- Harpers Ferry
- Dred Scott
- Robert E. Lee
- Ulysses S. Grant
- ✤ Abraham Lincoln
- John Wilkes Booth

PART II possible questions for short answer...

- 1. Explain the Federalist position on the economy.
- 2. What is the difference between a strict constitutionalist and a lose constitutionalist? Include in your answer the sorts of things supported by either idea and explain why.
- 3. How was the vice-president picked in early American elections?
- 4. 11. The first two political parties in the United States were
- 5. What is a radical? Why would President Lincoln have been considered a radical? Give 3 reasons, explain.
- 6. What is an alien (in political terms)
- 7. What is judicial review?
- 8. What did Samuel F. B. Morse invent & what was the impact of this invention?
- 9. Who invented the cotton gin & why was it so important?
- 10. Where were most of the nation's early factories built & why?
- 11. What is sectionalism?
- 12. How did the improvements in transportation change life in the 1800s?
- 13. What was the Missouri Compromise & why was it important?
- 14. What modes of transportation improved the nation's economy during the 19th century?
- 15. Who was Nat Turner?
- 16. How did the invention of the cotton gin affect Native Americans?
- 17. How did the War of 1812 encourage the growth of U.S. manufacturing?
- 18. How did slaveholders try to control African Americans in the South? Both before the Civil War and during the Civil War? What about after the Civil War?
- 19. What purpose did spirituals serve on Southern plantations?
- 20. What was a Forty-niners?
- 21. What was the main motive to move west for most Americans?
- 22. Who were the Mormons?

- 23. What about the American settlers in Texas upset Mexican leaders?
- 24. List some of the effects of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.
- 25. What was Manifest Destiny?
- 26.Explain what President Jackson meant when he said "[Chief Justice] John Marshall has made his decision.... Now let him enforce it."
- 27. Why did so many people migrate to California in 1849?
- 28. What was the Kansas-Nebraska Act & why was it significant?
- 29. How did the outbreak of the War with Mexico revive disagreements over slavery?
- 30. What 4 states were border states during the Civil War?
- 31. How did the Supreme Court add to the tensions over slavery in the 1850s?
- 32. Why did the Southern states decide to secede after the election of 1860?
- 33. Why did John Brown lead an attack on Harpers Ferry?
- 34. Explain the impact the Compromise of 1850 had on slavery.
- 35. What caused the Kansas Territory to be called "Bleeding Kansas"?
- 36. What was one Northern strategy for winning the war?
- 37. What became clear after early Civil War battles (like the First Battle of Bull Run)?
- 38. Which battle stopped a Confederate invasion of the North, and resulted in the bloodiest day in American history?
- 39. When the Civil War began, what was Abraham Lincoln's main goal?
- 40. Why did the Union blockade the South at the start of the war?
- 41. How did poor hygiene & widespread sickness make army life difficult during the Civil War?
- 42. What advantage did the South have over the North?
- 43. What is meant by the statement that William Tecumseh Sherman waged a total war?
- 44. What key difference between the North and the South ultimately led to the Civil War?
- 45. What abolished slavery in the North?
- 46. What brought Reconstruction to an end in the South?
- 47. What happened at Appomattox Court House that was so important?
- 48. Why were some abolitionists upset with Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation?
- 49. What did the Fifteenth Amendment guarantee?