

2024 U.S. History 1st Semester Final Exam Part 1

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Directions: Indicate the answer choice that best answers the question or completes the sentence in the space provided on your answer sheet. No dragons were involved in the creation of this test. All questions apply to the history standard. Other standards are indicated within the test.

1. Which explorer did England send to look for a northern sea route to Asia through North America?
 - a. Christopher Columbus
 - b. Henry Hudson
 - c. John Cabot
 - d. Robert de La Salle
2. Ferdinand Magellan's crew was the first to
 - a. locate the West Indies.
 - b. reach the Americas.
 - c. sail around the world.
 - d. see the Arctic.
3. When Columbus first reached land, where did he believe he had landed?
 - a. the Caribbean
 - b. the East Indies
 - c. Hispaniola
 - d. West Indies
4. Who was the first European to see the Pacific Ocean?
 - a. Balboa
 - b. Columbus
 - c. Magellan
 - d. Vespucci
5. What type of boat was known for its speed and ability to carry more cargo than earlier ships?
 - a. the flagship
 - b. the demarcation
 - c. the caravel
 - d. the Balboa
6. Who named the Pacific Ocean?
 - a. King Ferdinand
 - b. Queen Isabella
 - c. Leif Eriksson
 - d. Ferdinand Magellan

7. Whose expedition to China inspired in the late 1200s inspired later explorers?
 - a. Marco Polo
 - b. Christopher Columbus
 - c. Amerigo Vespucci
 - d. Mansa Musa
8. The exploits of Marco Polo led to
 - a. the Crusades.
 - b. voyages of exploration.
 - c. the voyages of the Vikings.
 - d. increased trade with China.
9. Columbus's first voyage to the Caribbean convinced Queen Isabella to
 - a. appoint Columbus to a new post.
 - b. fund more voyages.
 - c. reward Columbus with great wealth.
 - d. send Columbus to Africa.
10. A major reason that Cortés wished to conquer the Aztec empire was
 - a. to take its gold.
 - b. to enslave the Aztec people.
 - c. to learn from the Aztec people.
 - d. to set up missions.
11. Which of these most severely harmed the Aztec and Inca?
 - a. epidemics
 - b. injuries
 - c. starvation
 - d. traitors
12. The Dutch West India Company controlled
 - a. Deutschland.
 - b. New France.
 - c. the Netherlands.
 - d. New Netherland.
13. England's first permanent colony in North America was named after
 - a. Captain John Smith.
 - b. King James I.
 - c. Powhatan.
 - d. Virginia Dare.
14. Who wrote Pennsylvania's first constitution?
 - a. King Charles
 - b. Oliver Cromwell
 - c. Sir George Carteret
 - d. William Penn

15. What law granted Catholics and Protestants the right to worship freely in Maryland?
 - a. Act of Toleration
 - b. Charter of Privileges
 - c. the Fundamental Orders
 - d. the Maryland constitution
16. Which colony offered a fresh start to debtors and poor people?
 - a. Carolina
 - b. Delaware
 - c. Georgia
 - d. Maryland
17. Carolina was eventually divided into how many colonies?
 - a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 3
 - d. 4
18. The British hoped that Georgia would block attacks from
 - a. the Dutch in New York.
 - b. the Germans in Carolina.
 - c. the Native Americans.
 - d. the Spanish in Florida.
19. Because their journey had a religious purpose, passengers on the Mayflower called themselves
 - a. New Colonists.
 - b. Pilgrims.
 - c. Puritans.
 - d. Strangers.
20. What did Squanto and Samoset do?
 - a. established the Anglican Church in America
 - b. helped the Separatists move north
 - c. taught the Pilgrim settlers to live in their new environment
 - d. fought against the settlers of Georgia
21. Who was the Powhatan chief's daughter who married an English settler?
 - a. Pocahontas
 - b. Samoset
 - c. Squanto
 - d. Virginia Dare

22. Which settlement did the English attack with a fleet in 1664?
- a. Delaware
 - b. Manhattan
 - c. New Amsterdam
 - d. Pennsylvania
23. What was Peter Stuyvesant's nationality?
- a. British
 - b. Dutch
 - c. French
 - d. Native American
24. Which of these laws was enacted to protect Maryland's Catholics?
- a. the Act of Catholic Protection
 - b. the Act of Toleration
 - c. the Law of Religious Freedom
 - d. the Maryland Compact
25. Who led the rebellion that eventually opened up Native American land for colonial settlement?
- a. John Locke
 - b. Nathaniel Bacon
 - c. Roger Williams
 - d. William Penn
26. The last of the British colonies to be established in America was
- a. Delaware.
 - b. Georgia.
 - c. North Carolina.
 - d. South Carolina.
27. People who paid for their passage to America with labor were called
- a. enslaved persons.
 - b. indentured servants.
 - c. proprietors.
 - d. tenant farmers.

Matching: Match the names below with their descriptions.

- a. John Rolfe
- b. John White
- c. Sir Francis Drake
- d. Sir Walter Raleigh
- e. Captain John Smith

28. English pirate who stole from the Spanish

29. Englishman who gave Virginia its name

30. English colonist who married Pocahontas

31. English settler responsible for the survival of Jamestown

32. Leader of the Roanoke settlement

Matching: Match each group below with its description.

- a. Mayflower
- b. the Narragansett
- c. Pilgrims
- d. Massachusetts Bay Company
- e. the Wampanoag

33. a group of Separatists who moved to America

34. a group of Puritans who were granted a royal charter to settle in America

35. ship that carried the Pilgrims across the Atlantic

36. a people led by “King Philip”

37. a people with whom Roger Williams found refuge

Matching: Match each term and name below to its definition or description.

- a. patroons
- b. New York
- c. New Jersey
- d. ethnic
- e. Delaware

38. once called New Amsterdam

39. a word related to describing a person's cultural or racial background

40. settlers granted land by the Dutch West India Company

41. a group of southern Pennsylvania counties

42. named after an island in the English Channel