

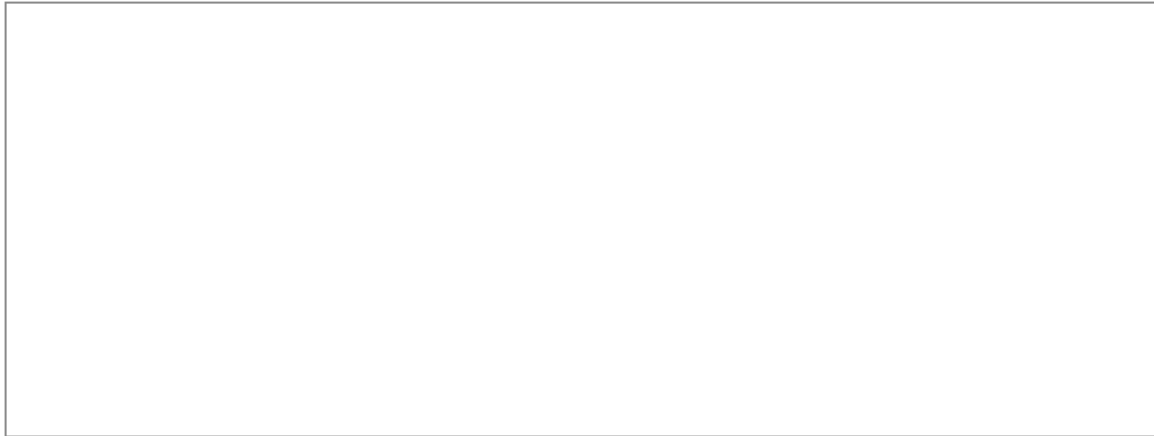
2025–2026 8th Grade SS PreAssessment MP3

Question 1.

Read the passage, then answer the question that follows:

"During the early 19th century, many states shifted their voting laws to eliminate property ownership as a requirement for voting. These changes reflected a growing belief in the importance of political equality for white men. Andrew Jackson's election in 1828 symbolized this shift, as he appealed to voters from less wealthy backgrounds."

Based on the passage, explain how changes in voting laws and Jackson's presidency reflected the democratic ideals of the time. Use evidence from the text to support your response.



Question 2.

Place the following events or developments in chronological order based on their impact on voting rights during the Jacksonian period:

Political campaigns start to appeal to the masses through rallies and slogans.

Andrew Jackson is elected President, symbolizing the rise of the "common man."

First

Second

Third

Many states begin removing property qualifications for voting.

Question 3.

Which of the following was a result of the Indian Removal Act of 1830?

- A. Native Americans gained the right to vote in new territories.
- B. The Trail of Tears forced Native Americans to move west of the Mississippi River.
- C. Native Americans were allowed to keep their lands in the Southeast.
- D. The U.S. government stopped expanding westward.

Question 4.

Which two conflicts arose due to territorial expansion and settlement in the early 19th century?

A. The Black Hawk War

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B. The War of 1812

C. The American Revolution

D. The Seminole Wars

Question 5.

Match each transportation development to its economic impact:

Steam Locomotive

Canals

Steamboat

Expanded trade by connecting distant cities and regions

Improved the movement of goods between waterways

Enabled faster transportation along rivers and coastal areas

Question 6.

Which technological advancement had the greatest impact on improving land transportation in the early 19th century?

- A. The invention of the automobile
- B. The development of the steam locomotive
- C. The construction of interstate highways
- D. The introduction of electric trolleys

Question 7.

Explain how the Mexican–American War was influenced by the concept of Manifest Destiny.

Question 8.

Which of the following best describes the concept of Manifest Destiny?

- A. The belief that the United States should remain neutral in global conflicts
- B. The idea that the U.S. was destined to expand across the North American continent
- C. The principle that all nations should share equal access to the land
- D. The goal of abolishing slavery throughout the U.S.

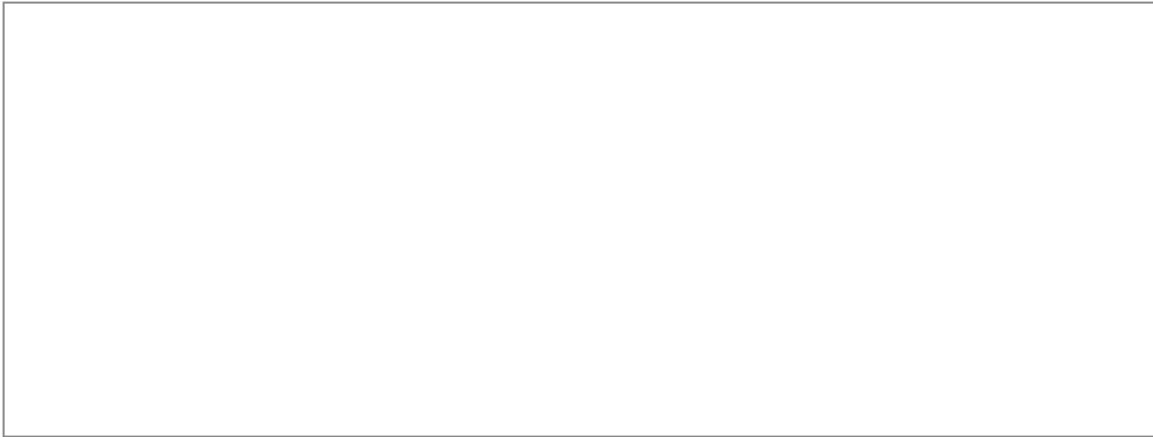
Question 9.

Which of the following were ways people resisted slavery in the 19th century? Select two.

- A. Establishing safe houses as part of the Underground Railroad
- B. Supporting the Fugitive Slave Act
- C. Publishing anti-slavery newspapers and literature
- D. Expanding slave-catching patrols

Question 10.

Explain how the Underground Railroad helped enslaved people escape to freedom.



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