- 1. Why is Roanoke called the "Lost Colony?"
- 2. Who was John White?
- 3. What was the Virginia Company of London?
- 4. Why did England's rulers and merchants want to start a colony in North America?
- 5. Why did settlers at Jamestown struggle to survive?
- 6. How did the Virginia Company raise money to buy ships and supplies to start a settlement in North America?
- 7. Why was John Smith's leadership important to Jamestown?
- 8. What led to the eventual success of Jamestown?
- 9. What happened in 1619 at Jamestown that would affect the U.S. for centuries?
- 10. Who were the Powhatans?
- 11. Why did the settlers of Jamestown fight with the Powhatans?
- 12. Why was the winter of 1609 called the "starving time" in Jamestown?
- 13. What caused Puritans to move to North America?
- 14. What was the purpose of the Mayflower Compact?
- 15. What difficulties did the settlers in Plymouth and Jamestown have in common?
- 16. Why were the Puritans better prepared for settlement than the Pilgrims?
- 17. How did Squanto help the Pilgrims?
- 18. Who was the leader of Massachusetts Bay?
- 19. Who was the leader of Plymouth?
- 20. Why were the pilgrims called separatists?
- 21. Where was New Netherland?
- 22. Who was Peter Minuit?
- 23. What made the population of New Netherland diverse?
- 24. Why did few settlers live in New France?
- 25. Who was Peter Stuyvesant?

- 1. Describe the geography of the New England Colonies.
- 2. Describe the climate of the New England Colonies.
- 3. Why was farming difficult in New England?
- 4. What were the main natural resources in New England?
- 5. Describe the geography of the Middle Colonies.
- 6. Describe the climate of the Middle Colonies.
- 7. Describe the growing season in the Middle Colonies.
- 8. Describe the geography of the Southern Colonies.
- 9. Describe the climate of the Southern Colonies.
- 10. Why was it easy to farm in the Southern Colonies?
- 11. What was the backcountry?
- 12. Who could vote in Massachusetts Bay?
- 13. What was the most important building in a Puritan community?
- 14. How did religion shape the government of Massachusetts Bay?
- 15. Who was Roger Williams?
- 16. Why did Roger Williams leave Massachusetts Bay?
- 17. Why did Anne Hutchinson leave Massachusetts Bay?
- 18. How was Rhode Island different than Massachusetts Bay?
- 19. Why did Thomas Hooker found Connecticut?
- 20. Why did colonists and Indians often clash?
- 21. What was King Philip's War?
- 22. What did the colonists do to many Indians after King Philip's War?
- 23. What was the Pequot War?
- 24. What were the main industries in New England?
- 25. Why was cod important to New England?
- 26. What was the triangular trade?
- 27. What was the Middle Passage?
- 28. Describe New England families.
- 29. Describe new England homes.
- 30. How did boys and girls help their families in New England?
- 31. Why did Puritans believe strongly in education?
- 32. What was the Great Awakening?

- 1. Why did proprietors want land in America?
- 2. How did proprietors control their property in America?
- 3. Why did proprietors allow colonists to elect representatives to an assembly?
- 4. Why did William Penn found Pennsylvania?
- 5. What was government like in Pennsylvania?
- 6. How did William Penn treat American Indians?
- 7. Why was Philadelphia an important city in the colonies?
- 8. What caused people with different religious beliefs to come to the Middle Colonies?
- 9. Why did proprietors allow religious tolerance?
- 10. Why were the Middle Colonies known as the "breadbasket?"
- 11. Why did farmers in the Middle Colonies have a surplus of crops?
- 12. Explain the difference between imports and exports.
- 13. What were the two largest and most important cities in the Middle Colonies?
- 14. What were the main types of workers in the Middle Colonies?
- 15. What was the first permanent English colony in America?
- 16. Why were plantations mainly in the south?
- 17. How was Virginia governed?
- 18. Who could vote and be elected to Virginia's House of Burgesses?
- 19. Why was Maryland founded?
- 20. Why were the Carolinas founded?
- 21. Why was Georgia founded?
- 22. Who founded Georgia?
- 23. Why did Georgia have strict rules?
- 24. What were the main cash crops in the Southern Colonies?
- 25. Why was Charles Town an important city?
- 26. What were the roles of children in Southern Colonies?
- 27. How did the children of planters and the children of backcountry farmers learn to read and write?
- 28. What did slaves do to survive the hardships of slavery?

- 1. Why did the French and British fight over land in the Ohio River Valley?
- 2. What groups of people fought each other in the French and Indian War?
- 3. What was more important to the French than settlement?
- 4. Why did most Indian nations side with the French during the French and Indian War?
- 5. What was the Albany Congress?
- 6. What was the Albany Plan of Union?
- 7. How did the colonies respond to the Albany Plan?
- 8. How did America change as a result of the French and Indian War?
- 9. What was Pontiac's Rebellion?
- 10. What was the Proclamation of 1763?
- 11. Why were colonists upset about the Proclamation of 1763?
- 12. Why did British Parliament start taxing the colonies?
- 13. How did colonists react to the Sugar Act?
- 14. What was the Stamp Act?
- 15. Why did colonists think the taxes were unfair?
- 16. Who were the Sons of Liberty?
- 17. What was the Stamp Act Congress?
- 18. What did the Townshend Acts do?
- 19. Who were the Daughters of Liberty?
- 20. How were boycotts successful in protesting taxes?
- 21. Describe the Boston Massacre.
- 22. Why did John Adams defend the British soldiers involved in the Boston Massacre?
- 23. What was the purpose of Committees of Correspondence?
- 24. Describe the Boston Tea Party.
- 25. What law did the British pass in response to the Boston Tea Party?
- 26. What did the Intolerable Acts do to the colonists?
- 27. What was the purpose of the First Continental Congress?
- 28. Who was Mercy Otis Warren?
- 29. What is the difference between militia and minutemen?
- 30. What was the purpose of Paul Revere's Ride?
- 31. Describe the battles of Lexington and Concord.
- 32. Describe the Battle of Bunker Hill.
- 33. Why was the Battle of Bunker Hill considered a success for the colonists?
- 34. What was the outcome of the 2nd Continental Congress?
- 35. What was the Olive Branch Petition?

- 1. What was the purpose of Thomas Paine's pamphlet Common Sense?
- 2. Why was Common Sense successful?
- 3. What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?
- 4. According to Thomas Jefferson, what rights do all people have?
- 5. According to the Declaration, why did the colonies have the right to their own government?
- 6. Why did delegates need courage to sign the Declaration?
- 7. Who was Patrick Henry?
- 8. Explain the difference between patriots, loyalists, and neutralists.
- 9. Why did enslaved African Americans fight on both sides in the war?
- 10. Who was Deborah Sampson?
- 11. Who was Phillis Wheatley?
- 12. What was a "Molly Pitcher?"
- 13. How did inflation affect Americans during the war?
- 14. Why would some farmers and merchants not sell their goods during the war?
- 15. Who was Nathan Hale?
- 16. How was Washington able to defeat the Hessians at the Battle of Trenton?
- 17. Why was the Battle of Saratoga important?
- 18. Who was Marquis de Lafayette?
- 19. Describe the Winter at Valley Forge.
- 20. How did Baron Friedrich von Steuben help the continental army?
- 21. Who was Benedict Arnold?
- 22. What was Nathanial Greene's strategy for the American army in the South?
- 23. Describe the Siege of Yorktown.
- 24. Who was General Charles Cornwallis?
- 25. How did the French help defeat the British at Yorktown?
- 26. What were the results of the Treaty of Paris in 1783?

- 1. What were the Articles of Confederation?
- 2. Explain the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation.
- 3. What were the results of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787?
- 4. Why did the new United States have debts after the war?
- 5. Why did Congress have trouble paying its debts?
- 6. What was the cause of Shays's Rebellion?
- 7. What was the outcome of Shays's Rebellion?
- 8. What was the purpose of the Constitutional Convention?
- 9. Why was James Madison known as the Father of the Consitution?
- 10. What is a federal system of government?
- 11. What is a republic?
- 12. Explain the Virginia Plan.
- 13. Explain the New Jersey Plan.
- 14. Explain the Great Compromise (Connecticut Compromise).
- 15. What was the 3/5 Rule/Compromise?
- 16. What were the Federalist Papers?
- 17. Explain the difference between Federalists and Anti-Federalists.
- 18. Why did Anti-Federalists demand a Bill of Rights?
- 19. What is a democracy?
- 20. What are the roles of EACH branch of government?
- 21. What are checks and balances?
- 22. What branch of government can decide whether laws are unconstitutional?
- 23. What is an amendment?
- 24. What is a president's cabinet?
- 25. Why did Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson argue?
- 26. What is a political party?