1. What were the two major provisions of the Missouri compromise?
2. Why did President Jackson resist the admission of Texas into the Union in 1836?
3. How was the slavery question to be decided under the principle of “squatter” or “popular sovereignty?”
4. In which area of the United States was the possibility of slavery reopened as a result of the 1854 Kansas-Nebraska Act?
5. Which Supreme Court decision ruled that the federal government could not stop slaveowners from taking their slaves into any U.S. territory?
6. How many slaves did the majority of southerners own on the eve of the Civil War?
7. Which state was the first state to secede from the Union prior to the Civil War?
8. What is considered to be the immediate cause of secession?
9. How might it be argued that the cotton gin was a long term cause of the Civil War?
10. Where were the opening shots of the Civil War fired?
11. In which year did the Civil War begin?
12. Which battle is considered to be the turning point in the Civil War?
13. Which slaves were freed under Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation?
14. Where did the final surrender of the Civil War occur?
15. Who served as President of the Confederate States of America?
16. What did President Lincoln mean when he argued that “a house divided against itself cannot stand?”
17. Who shot President Lincoln?
18. Confederate marches into “northern” (Union) soil led to two major battles in the Civil War. Name those battles and the states in which they were fought.
19. What name is given to the suicidal Confederate assault across an open field at the battle of Gettysburg on July 3, 1863? This event is sometimes called “the high tide of the Confederacy.”
20. Which famous woman earned the title “Angel of the Battlefield” during the Civil War and why?
21. How is the term “border state” defined?
22. Which states were “border states” during the Civil War?
23. What did Lincoln state was his purpose for fighting the Civil War when it first broke out?
24. What famous phrase did Lincoln use in his second inaugural address to describe the manner in which he planned to treat Confederate people after they returned to the Union?
25. Which position on the slavery question gave birth to the Republican party in 1854?
26. What were the names of the ironclad ships introduced during the Civil War?
27. Which Civil War legislation led to major riots in New York City that left scores dead?
28. Which Union general led a “total war” in his “march to the sea” in 1864?
29. What did the 13th Amendment to the Constitution do?
30. Where, in the U.S. Constitution does the word “slavery” appear?
31. Who commanded Confederate forces during the Civil War?
32. Which Union general became our 18th President of the United States?
33. In which year did the Emancipation Proclamation go into effect?
34. Which black regiment distinguished itself on the field of battle at Fort Wagner, South Carolina in 1863. Hollywood popularized this regiment in the 1989 film entitled “Glory.”
35. What did New York Tribune editor Horace Greely ask President Lincoln to do in August of 1862 in his “Prayer of 20 Millions?”
36. After which Civil War battle did President Lincoln deliver the “Emancipation Proclamation?”
37. How did the Confederacy think “King Cotton” would win the Civil War?
38. Who led the famous anti-slavery attacks at Pottawatomie Creek and Harper’s Ferry?
39. What does the term “Manifest Destiny” refer to?
40. Why is the Seneca Falls convention considered to be so significant in American history?