

Oppressed By Design 1.2 Unit Quiz



Directions: Read the following questions and select the correct answer.

1. Which statement is true about the conditions enslaved Africans and their descendants were subjected to?

- a) women were subjected to rape and sexual assault
- b) pregnant women worked in the field until they reached their third trimester
- c) enslaved men and women were subjected to minimal clothing, access to medical facilities, and mediocre tasting food

2. What are two tactics slave owners used to enforce discipline on enslaved Africans and their descendants?

- a) severe beatings and an iron muzzle, placed on the enslaved person's head when they spoke out of term
- b) they were placed on time out and sat in a corner and they were told to reflect on their behavior
- c) they were forced to pray and write about their actions until their hands bled

3. What is true about the 13th Amendment, Black codes, Vagrancy laws, and Pig laws?

- a) they were necessary to encourage African Americans to have pride in themselves
- b) they were necessary to keep African Americans safe from harm
- c) they are all provisions put in place to keep African Americans socially, economically, and politically oppressed

4. What is the Emancipation Proclamation?

- a) a declaration signed by President Abraham Lincoln, freeing enslaved people from the confederacy in 1863
- b) a song of freedom for poor, disenfranchised Americans
- c) a declaration of brotherly love signed into law by the Quakers

5. How does the 13th Amendment allow the continuation of slavery for many individuals?

- a) it allows for slaves to remain with their owners if they promise to treat them fairly
- b) it allows slavery as a punishment for an individual convicted of a crime
- c) it allows slavery as a punishment for arrested individuals who can't afford to pay bail

6. What year was the 13th Amendment enacted?

- a) 1863
- b) 1862
- c) 1865

7. What was the Convict Lease System?

- a) a system of renting low income housing to prisoners
- b) a system of forced penal labor in which the state provided prison labor to plantation owners and corporations
- c) a system of hiring incarcerated individuals for minimum wages

8. How did the Convict Lease System become a source of wealth for the United States after the Emancipation Proclamation?

- a) it allowed private corporations and plantation owners to profit off the free labor of African Americans that were incarcerated
- b) it allowed farmers and southern ministers to profit off labor of African Americans that were incarcerated
- c) for every incarcerated individual a stipend of \$300 was paid to the government

9. Which statement is true about Emmett Till?

- a) Emmett Till was a freedom fighter who marched with Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.
- b) Emmett Till was the youngest African American to attend college in Mississippi in 1955
- c) Emmett Till was a 14-year-old African American who was lynched in Mississippi in 1955, after being accused of whistling at a white woman in her family's grocery store

10. Which statement is false about the 1896 Plessy vs Ferguson and 1954 Brown vs Board of Education of Topeka cases?

- a) Plessy vs Ferguson upheld segregation under the separate, but equal doctrine and Brown vs Board of Education ruled that separate was not equal
- b) both cases used the 14th Amendment in their court rulings
- c) both cases used the 15th Amendment in their court rulings and declared that separate is not equal