

# Reparations Unit Quiz 1.2



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

**1. What are reparations?**

- a) funds paid to individuals who were harmed, as a means of restoration or repair
- b) repairs made to cities by the residents
- c) righting a wrong by apologizing to the victims

**2. What does the term “40 acres and a mule” refer to?**

- a) a promise of reparations (40 acres of land and a mule) to sharecroppers to compensate for destroyed crops
- b) an opportunity to star in a Spike Lee movie
- c) a promise of reparations (40 acres of land and a mule) to African Americans for enslavement

**3. What was Special Field Order #15?**

- a) an order that confiscated unoccupied land for use as a U.S army base
- b) an order that confiscated land owned by Native Americans to develop housing projects
- c) an order that confiscated land along the coast from Charleston, SC to Jacksonville, Florida and reallocated that land to African American soldiers and their families

**4. Why were African American families ultimately denied their “40 acres and a mule” that was promised to them?**

- a) President Andrew Jackson reversed the order after Abraham Lincoln’s assassination, giving the land back to confederate landowners
- b) They were not given the required paperwork for starring in Spike Lee’s movie
- c) President Johnson reversed the order after Abraham Lincoln’s assassination, giving the land back to confederate landowners

**5. What is the 1989 Conyers Bill?**

- a) a bill that acknowledged the fundamental injustice and inhumanity of slavery in the United States and established a commission to examine the institution of slavery by making recommendations to Congress.
- b) a bill introduced by the governor of Georgia that allowed African Americans living in Conyers, Ga to integrate with white people as a form of reparations
- c) a congressional bill that gave land to African American families in Conyers, Georgia

**6. By 1860, there were nearly 4 million slaves worth some 3.5 billion dollars, making them the largest single financial asset in the U.S economy. Which of the following sentences is the best implication of this statement?**

- a) slavery in the U.S led to generational poverty for many African Americans
- b) back-breaking free slave labor earned slaveholders enormous profits
- c) slave labor resulted in overworked humans that were treated like chattel

**7. Which of the following statements about Representative Sheila Jackson Lee is true?**

- a) She forced congress to pass H.R. 35, a bill that will fast track reparations to African Americans
- b) She helped African American descendants of slavery get reparations for one year
- c) She reintroduced H.R 40 to congress in 2018

**8. Scientists discovered trauma experienced by parents can impact the DNA and behavior of their offspring for generations to come. Which of the following sentences is the best implication of this statement?**

- a) scientists are making ground-breaking discoveries about historical occurrences
- b) the DNA of African Americans can help them get reparations for generational trauma suffered
- c) racial trauma endured by African Americans during slavery can be passed down to their descendants

**9. What general ordered his army to give mules to the families affected after meeting with 20 African Americans in Savannah, Georgia ?**

- a) General Grant
- b) General Lee
- c) General Sherman

**10. What are some resources that can repair and restore a community?**

- a) flowers, money, wi-fi, books
- b) land, money, education, mental health services
- c) healthy food, self help books, money, computers