



## *We the People: The Citizen & the Constitution*

### QUIZ

#### Unit One, Lesson 1

“What were the British colonies in America like in the 1700s?”

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Vocabulary Matching

Directions: Write the letter of the definition next to the appropriate vocabulary word.

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| 1. colony_____             | a. (noun) the people who were important in the establishment of the United States                                      |
| 2. diverse_____            | b. (noun) a person whose human rights are denied and who is forced to work for another person                          |
| 3. Founders_____           | c. (noun) a large farm usually found in the Southern states  |
| 4. indentured servant_____ | d. (adjective) people of many backgrounds  |
| 5. plantation_____         | e. (adjective) able to provide most of one's needs   |
| 6. self-sufficient_____    | f. (noun) a person under the authority or rule of another  |
| 7. slave_____              | g. (noun) settlement or territory ruled by another country   |
| 8. subject_____            | h. (noun) a person who agreed to work for someone for a set period of time in return for the cost of coming to America |

### Short Answer

Directions: Answer the following question in the space provided below. If you need additional space, continue your answer on the back of the page.

9. What was life like for the average American colonist?

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## Multiple Choice

Directions: Read each of the following partial statements carefully. Circle only the best answer that completes each statement.

10. Europeans wanted to come to the American colonies because
- land was cheap and available.
  - they could practice their religions free from persecution.
  - many thought they could better themselves economically and socially since family name and wealth weren't as important in the colonies as they were in the Old World.
  - all of the above
11. Slaves made up about
- two percent of the colonies' population.
  - twenty percent of the colonies' population.
  - eighty percent of the colonies' population.
  - ninety percent of the colonies' population.
12. Most Americans in the 1700s were
- farmers.
  - slaves.
  - indentured servants.
  - rich.
13. People who were allowed to vote in the 1700s were mostly
- white women.
  - white men.
  - white men who owned land.
  - all people 18 years old and older could vote.

## **Lesson 1 Answers**

1. G 2. D 3. A 4. H 5. C 6. E 7. B 8. F 9. SEE PAGE 12, "REVIEW THE LESSON" QUESTIONS; 10. D 11. B 12. A 13. C