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### Multiple Choice

Please circle the letter that best completes the statement. Each response is worth four points.

1. **Cuba became an independent nation after this war.**
  - A. The American Civil War
  - B. The Cuban Revolution
  - C. The Spanish-American War
  - D. World War I
  - E. World War II
2. **What was Manifest Destiny?**
  - A. The belief that drugs should not be grown in the Caribbean.
  - B. The belief that America should expand across all of North America.
  - C. The belief that Americans should not be involved in any foreign wars.
  - D. The belief that America should aid Fidel Castro.
  - E. None of the above statements are true.
3. **Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst were American**
  - A. generals.
  - B. admirals.
  - C. presidents.
  - D. newspaper publishers.
4. **Which statement about the United States battleship *Maine* is *false*?**
  - A. American president William McKinley sent the United States battleship *Maine* to Cuba to protect American citizens.
  - B. The Cuban people were thrilled to see the *Maine* arrive because they knew it would offer them protection.
  - C. The *Maine* sank the night it arrived in Cuba, killing more than 250 Americans.
  - D. The phrase, "Remember the *Maine*" became a battle cry encouraged by Pulitzer and Hearst.
  - E. None of the statements is false.
5. **Which statement about the Platt Amendment is *true*?**
  - A. Platt Amendment was passed by the American Congress in 1901
  - B. The Platt Amendment was added to the Cuban constitution.
  - C. The Platt Amendment gave the United States the right to lease land for a naval base on Cuban territory.
  - D. The Platt Amendment gave the United States the right to intervene in Cuba with military force.
  - E. All of the statements are true.
6. **Who was Fulgencio Batista?**
  - A. A leader in the Cuban Revolution.
  - B. The leader of the slave revolt in Haiti
  - C. The captain of the US Battleship *Maine*.
  - D. The dictator of Cuba before the Revolution.
  - E. The leader of the Puerto Rican independence movement.
7. **Which statement about the Cuban Revolution is *false*?**
  - A. The leader of the Revolution was a young lawyer named Fidel Castro.
  - B. Before the revolution, many American criminals were involved in Cuba's tourist industry, and bribes were a common way of doing business.
  - C. The leaders of the Revolution initially had the support of Cuban business leaders, landowners, and the Roman Catholic church.
  - D. All of the above statements are true.
  - E. None of the above statements are true.
8. **Shortly after taking power in Cuba, Fidel Castro severed his ties with the United States and formed a close relationship with what nation?**
  - A. Great Britain
  - B. France
  - C. Mexico
  - D. The Soviet Union
  - E. Canada
9. **Which statement about the 1961 Bay of Pigs invasion is *true*?**
  - A. About 1500 Cuban exiles living in America attempted to invade Cuba in 1961.
  - B. The American government refused to finance the Bay of Pigs invasion.
  - C. The Bay of Pigs invasion was a success.
  - D. The Bay of Pigs does not exist; it was a code name for the invasion.
  - E. All of the above statements are true.
10. **Which statement about the Mariel boatlift is *false*?**
  - A. In 1980, Castro opened the port of Mariel to anyone who wanted to leave, but he was surprised and embarrassed by the number of people who accepted his offer.
  - B. Castro allowed Cubans to leave Mariel for the United States, but he insisted America also take Cuban prisoners and people who were very ill.
  - C. America refused to accept Castro's terms and did not allow any Cubans into the country.
  - D. All of the above statements are true.
  - E. None of the above statements are true.
11. **Puerto Rico has been officially designated as a \_\_\_\_\_ of the United States since 1950.**
  - A. commonwealth
  - B. territory
  - C. colony
  - D. dependency
  - E. department

- 12. In a 1998 referendum, most Puerto Ricans**
- voted to begin the process to become the 51<sup>st</sup> American state.
  - asked for complete independence from the United States.
  - selected an option titled “none of the above,” making it unlikely that there will be any change in Puerto Rico’s relationship with the United States for the foreseeable future.
- 13. This colonial power colonized the modern nation of Haiti, and built huge sugar plantation in the fertile Haitian soil.**
- The United States
  - The Soviet Union
  - The United Kingdom
  - Spain
  - France
- 14. Which statement about the Haitian slave revolt of 1791-1804 is true?**
- Francois Toussaint L’Overture was the general in charge of the colonial forces.
  - The former slaves developed fair and honest government.
  - The United States and other nations offered the former slaves a great deal of support.
  - The former slaves worked hard and became rich by selling sugar.
  - None of the above statements are true.
- 15. Which statement about Francois Duvalier is false?**
- Francois Duvalier was a doctor who specialized in treating malaria.
  - Francois Duvalier was elected President of Haiti in 1957 with the largest majority in the nation’s history.
  - Francois Duvalier was a very kind leader who is well remembered in Haiti today.
  - Francois Duvalier strengthened his control of the Haitian people by publicizing his belief in Voodoo.
  - When Farncois Duvalier died in 1971, his son, Jean-Claude (“Baby Doc”) Duvalier became the President of Haiti.

- 16. Who were the Tonton Macoute?**
- The French forces who worked to end the Haitian slave revolt in 1791.
  - The Roman Catholic clergy in Haiti.
  - A violent military police force in Haiti.
  - The political party in control of Haiti today.
- 17. Jean Bertrand-Aristride was elected president of Haiti in 1990. Previously he was a**
- member of the Tonton Macoute.
  - Roman Catholic priest.
  - strong supporter of the Duvalier family.
  - All of the above.
  - None of the above.
- 18. Which statement about Jean-Bertrand Aristride to true?**
- Seven months after taking power, Aristride was forced from power by the Haitian military.
  - More than 3,000 of Aristride’s supporters were killed by the Haitian military in the 1990s.
  - The United States invaded Haiti in 1994 and returned Aristride to power.
  - Aristride is now the President of Haiti.
  - All of the above statements are true.
- 19. This is the poorest nation of the Caribbean today. It is the only nation of the region where most people are unable to read and write.**
- Cuba
  - Trinidad
  - Haiti
  - Puerto Rico
  - the Bahamas

### True or False

*Please circle TRUE or FALSE for each statement. Each response is worth four points.*

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| <b>20.</b> | TRUE | FALSE | Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst tried to keep America from getting involved in the Spanish-American war.  |
| <b>21.</b> | TRUE | FALSE | Shortly after coming to power in Cuba, Fidel Castro set up a one-party Communist state.   |
| <b>22.</b> | TRUE | FALSE | The United States went to war with the Soviet Union the American spy planes discovered the Soviets were building launching pads for nuclear missiles in Cuba. |

### Short Answer

*You may write in cursive or manuscript but your work must be very neat. Six-point answer will be scored as follows: one point for including a topic sentence, two points for each valid supporting statement and one point for including a conclusion.*

- 23. What were the terms of the Platt Amendment?**
- 24. Why has Haiti been extremely poor for most of its post-colonial period?**

### Extra Credit

*You may write in cursive or manuscript, but your work must be very neat. Each question is worth five points and requires you to think for yourself. Two points are awarded for a serious effort.*

- 25. Was the American government correct when they accepted every Cuban Castro deported in the Marial boatlift? Defend your answer**
- 26. Was the United States right or wrong to invade Haiti in 1994? Defend your answer.**