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A Scout's Quest: Rebuilding the American Spirit 3rd Grade Quiz

Historical perspective, critical synthesis, and creative problem-solving. This challenge uses scenario-based inquiry to help students build a bridge to the past.

1. Imagine you are a reporter in 1865. If you wanted to interview a famous woman who acted as a spy and a scout for the Union because she wanted to end slavery, who would you look for?

- A. Betsy Ross
- B. Harriet Tubman
- C. Susan B. Anthony
- D. Abigail Adams

2. The 15th Amendment was added to the Constitution to make sure that people of all races had the right to vote.

- A. True
- B. False

3. During the war, many soldiers wrote letters home to their families. If a soldier described a massive base in South Carolina where the very first shots were fired, he was at ____.

- A. Mount Vernon
- B. Fort Sumter
- C. The White House
- D. Independence Hall

4. Reconstruction meant 'rebuilding' the country. Which of these was a brand new challenge that leaders faced during this time?

- A. Finding a way to travel to the moon
- B. Creating schools for people who were once enslaved
- C. Writing the Declaration of Independence
- D. Starting the very first colonies in America

5. One famous general who led the Confederate army was known for being a skilled leader but ultimately had to surrender his troops. His name was ____.

- A. Robert E. Lee
- B. George Washington
- C. Benjamin Franklin
- D. Thomas Jefferson

6. During the Civil War, families were always on the same side and never disagreed about the war.

- A. True
- B. False

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7. If you were a 3rd grader during the 1870s, which of these would you likely see happening because of the new 'Reconstruction' laws?

- A. People using cell phones to talk
- B. The first cars being driven on the highway
- C. Formerly enslaved men voting in elections
- D. The Gold Rush starting in California

8. To help the country heal after the war, President Lincoln wanted to be kind to the South. After he passed away, the new President who took over was ____.

- A. Theodore Roosevelt
- B. Andrew Johnson
- C. John Adams
- D. Barack Obama

9. The 'Union' refers to the Northern states that stayed together as the United States during the war.

- A. True
- B. False

10. Clara Barton was a very important person during the Civil War. What was her special way of helping the country?

- A. She wrote songs for the soldiers
- B. She was a general who led the cavalry
- C. She cared for wounded soldiers and started the Red Cross
- D. She built the first ironclad ships