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Dissect the Fractured Union: 6th Grade Civil War & Reconstruction Quiz

Evaluate the legislative failures and social restructuring of the 1860s through complex scenario analysis and primary source perspective questions.

1. The 'Crittenden Compromise' was a last-ditch effort to prevent the Civil War by extending the Missouri Compromise line to the Pacific. Why did Abraham Lincoln oppose this plan?

- A. He believed the South should be allowed to secede peacefully.
- B. It fundamentally violated the Republican platform against the expansion of slavery.
- C. He wanted to prioritize the industrialization of the Northern territories.
- D. The plan would have granted immediate citizenship to all enslaved people.

2. The _____ was a strategic military plan proposed by General Winfield Scott to 'strangle' the Confederacy by blockading ports and controlling the Mississippi River.

- A. Python Protocol
- B. Anaconda Plan
- C. Ironclad Initiative
- D. Cotton Embargo

3. True or False: The Enrollment Act of 1863 allowed wealthy citizens in the North to avoid the military draft by paying a \$300 fee or hiring a substitute.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Which specific event in 1864 was most responsible for shifting Northern public opinion in favor of Lincoln's re-election?

- A. The signing of the Homestead Act
- B. General William T. Sherman's capture of Atlanta
- C. The publication of the novel 'Uncle Tom's Cabin'
- D. The surrender of Robert E. Lee at Appomattox

5. After the war, Congress passed the _____, which divided the former Confederacy into five military districts governed by Union generals to ensure order and enforce civil rights.

- A. Ten Percent Plan
- B. Civil Rights Act of 1866
- C. Military Reconstruction Act of 1867
- D. Wade-Davis Bill

6. True or False: Hiram Revels was the first African American to serve in the U.S. Senate, taking the seat formerly held by Confederate President Jefferson Davis.

- A. True

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B. False

7. During Reconstruction, the term 'Scalawag' was used by Southerners to insult which group of people?

- A. Northern businessmen who moved South for profit
- B. Formerly enslaved people running for local office
- C. White Southerners who cooperated with the Republican Party
- D. Union soldiers who remained in the South after the war

8. What was the primary purpose of the 'Ironclad Oath' proposed by Radical Republicans?

- A. To ensure that Southern voters swore they never supported the Confederacy
- B. To force enslaved people to join the Union Army
- C. To protect the production of ironclad warships
- D. To allow Confederate leaders to rejoin the government immediately

9. The domestic labor system known as _____ trapped many freedmen in a cycle of debt, effectively replacing the plantation system with a new form of economic servitude.

- A. Industrialization
- B. Sharecropping
- C. The Guild System
- D. Indentured Servitude

10. True or False: The 15th Amendment guaranteed that the right to vote could not be denied based on gender.

- A. True
- B. False