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A House Divided Rescued: 7th Grade Reconstruction Quiz

Examine how the 15th Amendment and the Battle of Shiloh reshaped the American landscape during this foundational unit on national reunification.

1. Which early 1862 battle in Tennessee was one of the first to show both sides that the war would be long and very costly in lives?

- A. The Battle of Shiloh
- B. The Battle of Gettysburg
- C. The Siege of Yorktown
- D. The Battle of Bunker Hill

2. The 15th Amendment was passed to ensure that the right to vote could not be denied based on race or previous condition of servitude.

- A. True
- B. False

3. General _____ was the Confederate leader who led the Army of Northern Virginia for most of the Civil War.

- A. William T. Sherman
- B. Robert E. Lee
- C. George McClellan
- D. Stonewall Jackson

4. During the Era of Reconstruction, what was the primary goal of 'Radical Republicans' in Congress?

- A. To allow Southern states to rejoin the Union without any conditions
- B. To end the war by signing a peace treaty with Great Britain
- C. To protect the rights of freed people and punish former Confederate leaders
- D. To move the nation's capital to Atlanta, Georgia

5. The _____ was a series of escape routes and safe houses used by enslaved people to reach freedom in the North or Canada.

- A. Transcontinental Railroad
- B. Oregon Trail
- C. Underground Railroad
- D. Santa Fe Trail

6. The ironclad ships the Monitor and the Merrimack fought a famous naval battle that changed how warships were built forever.

- A. True
- B. False

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7. Which of these describes a 'Scalawag' during the Reconstruction period?

- A. A Northerner who moved South to start a business
- B. A Southern white person who supported the Republican Party and Reconstruction
- C. A soldier who deserted the Union Army
- D. A person who traveled West to find gold

8. After the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, _____ became the 17th President of the United States.

- A. Andrew Johnson
- B. Ulysses S. Grant
- C. Jefferson Davis
- D. Rutherford B. Hayes

9. The term 'Carpetbagger' referred to Southern politicians who traveled to the North to influence elections.

- A. True
- B. False

10. Which event is often considered the official start of the Civil War?

- A. The signing of the Declaration of Independence
- B. The firing on Fort Sumter
- C. The California Gold Rush
- D. The election of George Washington