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Answer Key: Your Mission to Rebuild: A Civil War & Reconstruction Quiz for 3rd Grade

Grow into a history expert by connecting the stories of brave leaders and new laws that helped the United States become one whole family again.

1. During the war, many women like Clara Barton helped the soldiers. What important job did they do on the battlefield?

Answer: B) They served as nurses to care for the sick and hurt.

Clara Barton and many other women provided vital medical care and support to soldiers, eventually leading to the creation of the American Red Cross.

2. The 15th Amendment was a rule added to the Constitution that gave African American men the right to vote.

Answer: A) True

The 15th Amendment was a major part of Reconstruction that protected the right of citizens to vote regardless of their race.

3. During the Civil War, families in the North and South often sent _____ to their loved ones to stay connected.

Answer: C) handwritten letters

Before modern technology, letters were the only way for soldiers and their families to communicate across long distances.

4. After the war ended, what was the main goal of the period known as 'Reconstruction'?

Answer: C) To rebuild the South and bring the states back together.

Reconstruction was the era of fixing the damage from the war and making the United States one single nation again.

5. Robert E. Lee was the main general who led the Union Army to victory.

Answer: B) False

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Robert E. Lee led the Confederate Army; it was actually General Ulysses S. Grant who led the Union Army at the end of the war.

6. The period of Reconstruction saw the opening of many new _____ to help formerly enslaved people learn to read and write.

Answer: B) schools

Education was a top priority during Reconstruction, and many schools were built to provide learning opportunities for all children and adults.

7. Which of these was a major difference between the North and the South that helped lead to the war?

Answer: A) The North had more large factories, while the South had more large farms.

The economy of the North was based on industry, while the South relied on agriculture, which led to different views on labor and slavery.

8. People who worked to end slavery once and for all were known as _____.

Answer: B) Abolitionists

Abolitionists were individuals who campaigned and fought to 'abolish' or get rid of the practice of slavery.

9. Harriet Tubman was a brave woman who returned to the South many times to help people escape to freedom.

Answer: A) True

Harriet Tubman was a famous 'conductor' on the Underground Railroad and a hero of the Civil War era.

10. What happened at Appomattox Court House in 1865?

Answer: C) The Confederate Army surrendered, effectively ending the war.

The meeting between General Grant and General Lee at Appomattox marked the end of the fighting and the beginning of peace.