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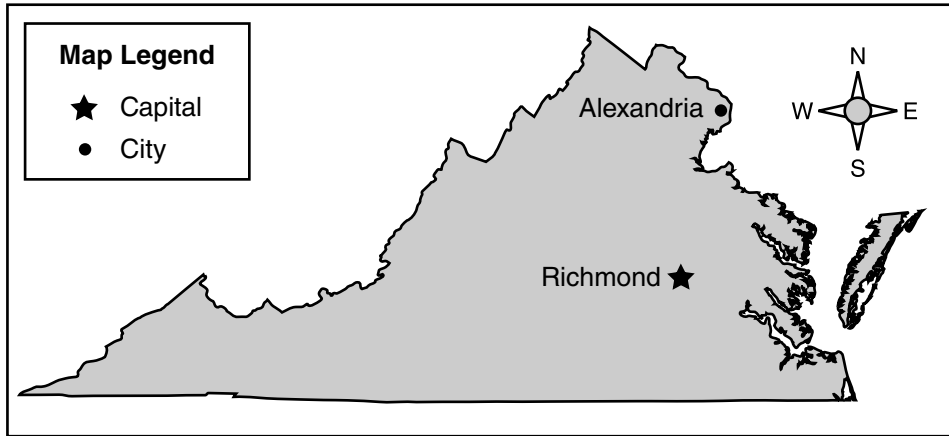
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Directions

Read each question and choose the best answer. Then fill in the circle on your answer document for the answer you have chosen.

SAMPLE

Virginia



In which direction would you travel from Richmond to Alexandria?

- A** North
- B** South
- C** East
- D** West

1 Which resources do archaeologists mainly use to study the past?

A

- Library books
- Newspapers

B

- Storytellers

C

- Artifacts

D

- World maps
- Encyclopedias

2 What was the main goal of the stockholders who financed Jamestown?

F Growing cotton

G Drawing maps

H Building ships

J Making money

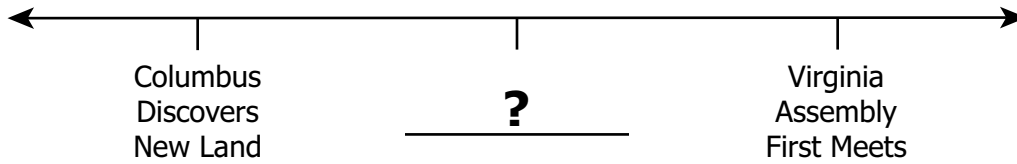
3 The main reason it was hard for the Jamestown colony to survive was because the settlers —

- A** had few of the needed skills
- B** arrived in the middle of the winter
- C** lost supply ships to French pirates
- D** wanted to return to England

4 Because of the growth of the Virginia colony, the native peoples worried that the settlers would —

- F** plant crops
- G** seize lands
- H** raise taxes
- J** build schools

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Which words best take the place of the question mark?

- A** Williamsburg Becomes Virginia's Capital
- B** Jamestown Settlement Is Founded
- C** Declaration of Independence Is Written
- D** Virginia Declaration of Rights Is Created

6 In Virginia history, Powhatan is important because he —

- F** provided leadership to the American Indians
- G** offered help to the Spanish soldiers
- H** began trading with the British Parliament
- J** taught the settlers the Siouan language

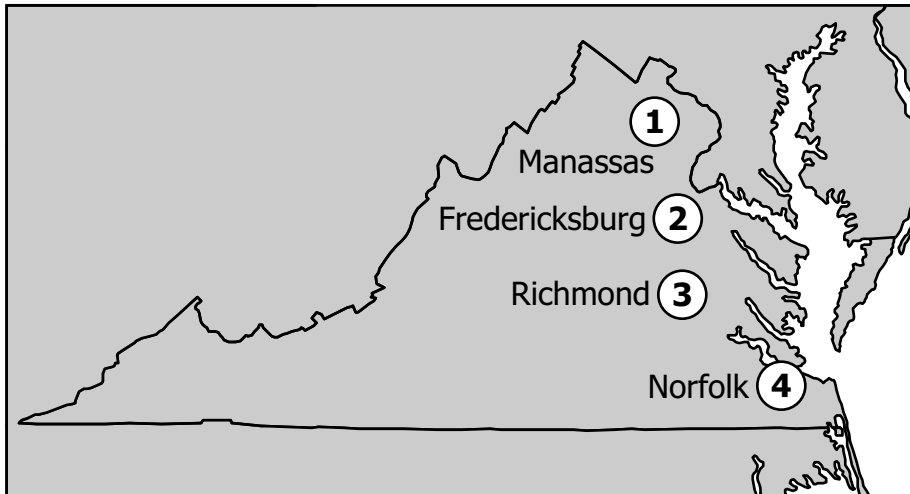
7 Scots-Irish settlers primarily made their homes in the Shenandoah Valley because it was —

- A** near the state capital
- B** next to the Tennessee border
- C** close to the Chesapeake Bay
- D** along the migration route

8 Which name shows the influence of American Indian culture?

- F** Roanoke
- G** Yorktown
- H** Richmond
- J** Jamestown

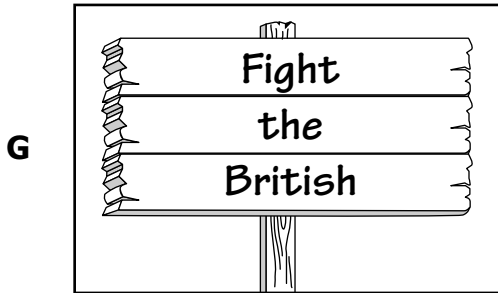
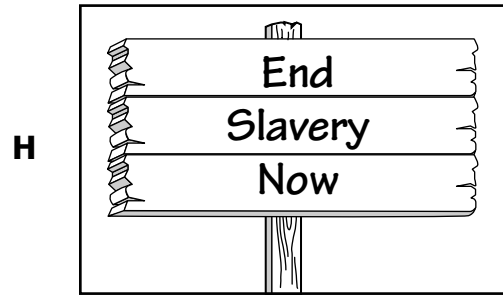
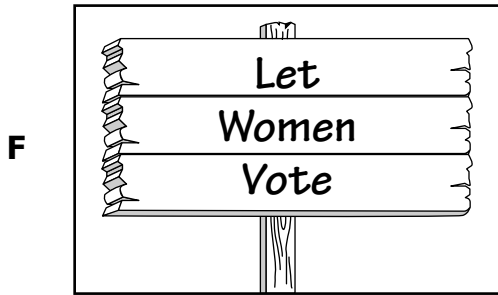
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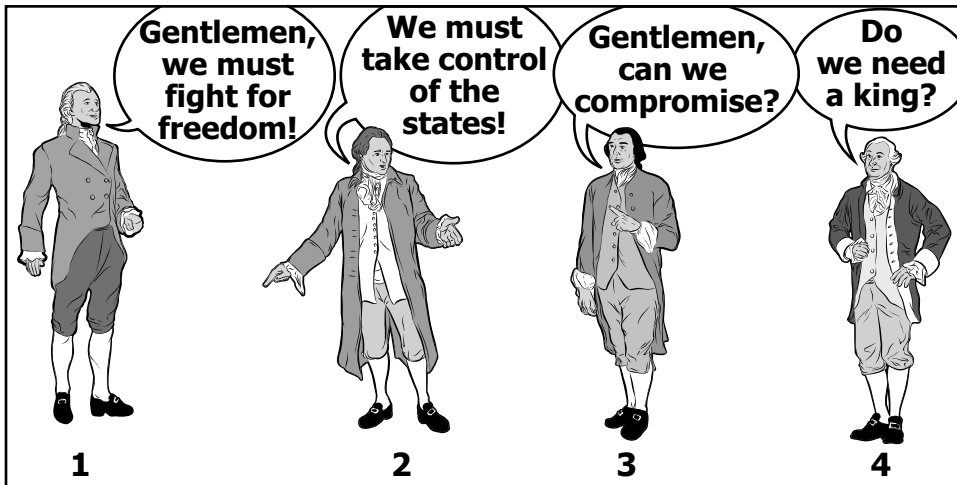
Which city on the map is nearest to a battle between ironclads?

- A 1
- B 2
- C 3
- D 4

10 During the American Revolution, which sign would Patrick Henry most likely have held?



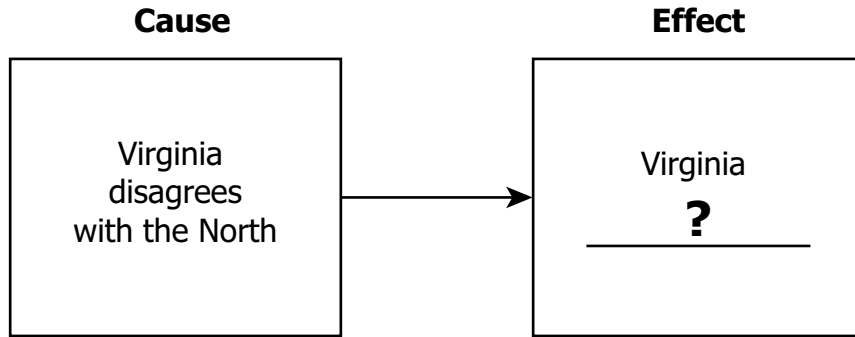
Constitutional Convention, 1787



Which number best shows James Madison's role in history?

- A 1
- B 2
- C 3
- D 4

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Which effect best replaces the question mark?

- F** sends troops to New York
- G** decides to end slavery
- H** writes a new constitution
- J** votes to leave the Union

13 During most of the Civil War, the capital of the Confederacy was —

- A** Williamsburg
- B** Manassas
- C** Richmond
- D** Fredericksburg

Woodrow Wilson

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The man shown in this picture established —

- F** new laws for factory safety
- G** a plan for world peace
- H** schools for the blind
- J** a new capital for the nation

15 Which event occurred at Appomattox Court House?

A



C



B



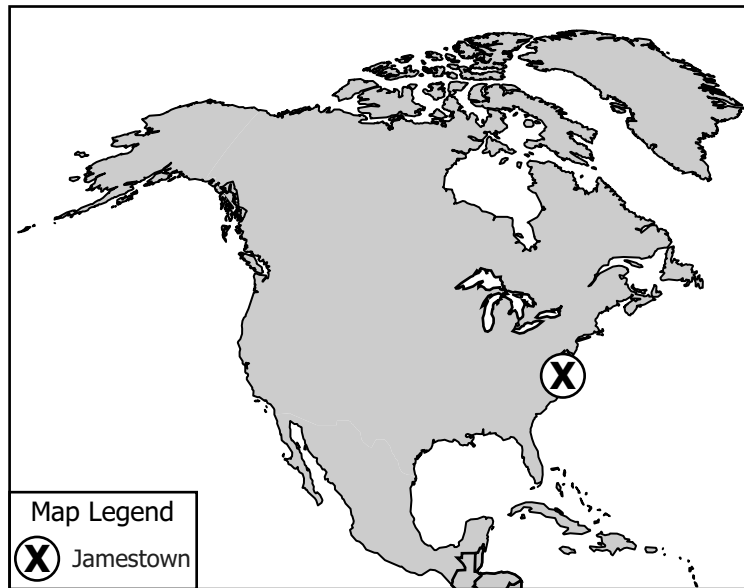
D



16 Oliver W. Hill is best known for his work with —

- F enslaved African Americans
- G the *Brown v. Board of Education* Supreme Court case
- H disabled Americans
- J the *Plessy v. Ferguson* Supreme Court case

North America



Which ocean is closest to the Jamestown settlement?

- A** Indian
- B** Atlantic
- C** Pacific
- D** Arctic

18 Jamestown was chosen as a place to settle because of its —

- F** location
- G** wildlife
- H** climate
- J** wealth

19 Which geographic region of Virginia has many rolling hills and waterfalls?

- A** Piedmont
- B** Valley and Ridge
- C** Blue Ridge Mountains
- D** Coastal Plain (Tidewater)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mountains2. Plains3. Deserts4. Forests |
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Which type of environment covered most of the land in colonial Virginia?

- F** 1
- G** 2
- H** 3
- J** 4

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- Old, rounded landforms
- Part of the Appalachian system
- Source of many rivers

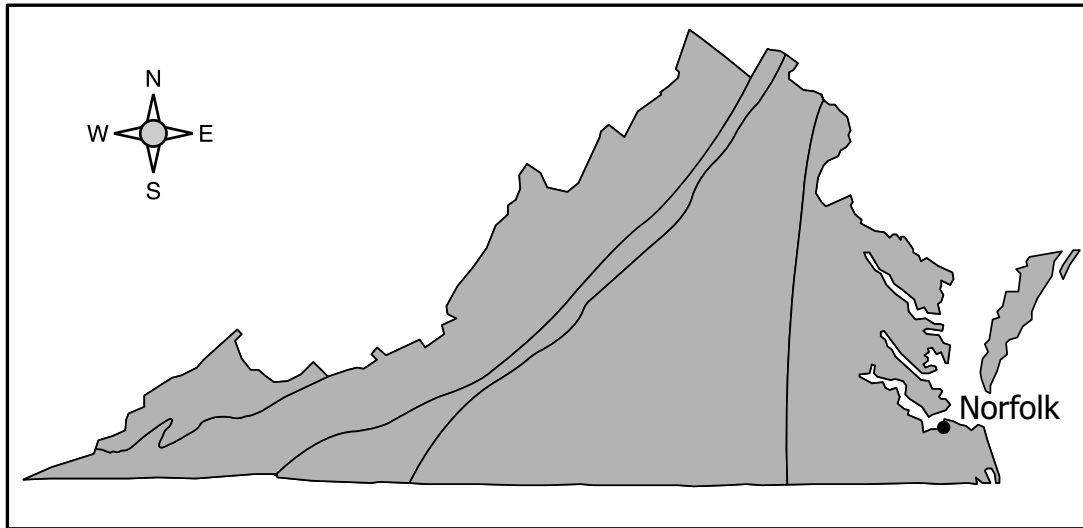
Which region of Virginia is the best title for this list?

- A** Valley and Ridge
- B** Blue Ridge Mountains
- C** Coastal Plain (Tidewater)
- D** Piedmont

22 The major American Indian language group of southwestern Virginia was —

- F** Caddoan
- G** Algonquian
- H** Iroquoian
- J** Siouan

Regions of Virginia



Robert and his family are going on a vacation to explore the regions of Virginia. They will start in Norfolk and travel west.

Which region of Virginia will Robert's family visit last?

- A** Piedmont
- B** Appalachian Plateau
- C** Blue Ridge Mountains
- D** Coastal Plain (Tidewater)

24 What was one reason the Virginia capital was moved from Williamsburg to Richmond?

- F** Richmond had cleaner drinking water.
- G** Richmond was closer to the coastline.
- H** Richmond was a more central location.
- J** Richmond had a much smaller population.

25 Most Virginians who moved west first traveled —

- A** across the Great Plains
- B** through the Rocky Mountains
- C** beside the Great Lakes
- D** across the Appalachian Mountains

26 What was one result of growing tobacco in Virginia?

- F** It increased job opportunities for American Indians.
- G** It improved the working conditions of African slaves.
- H** It was hard on the soil, so many farmers looked for new farmland.
- J** It provided few earnings, so planters turned to gathering cotton.

27 The Virginia Company was granted the right to establish colonies by —

- A** Powhatan
- B** the queen of Spain
- C** John Smith
- D** the king of England

28 Many colonists and Parliament disagreed about —

- F** slaves for sale
- G** free land to farm
- H** supplies for building
- J** control of the government

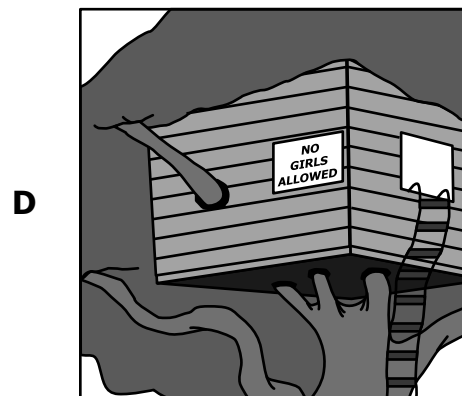
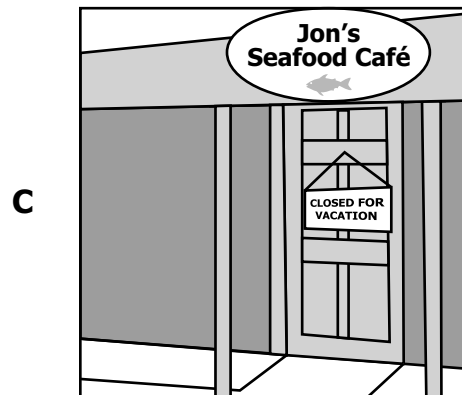
29 Who wrote the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom?

- A** Thomas Jefferson
- B** George Mason
- C** Patrick Henry
- D** James Madison

30 Which document first guaranteed freedom of the press in Virginia?

- F** Bill of Rights
- G** Declaration of Independence
- H** Virginia Declaration of Rights
- J** Charters of the Virginia Company

31 Which sign is an example of integration?

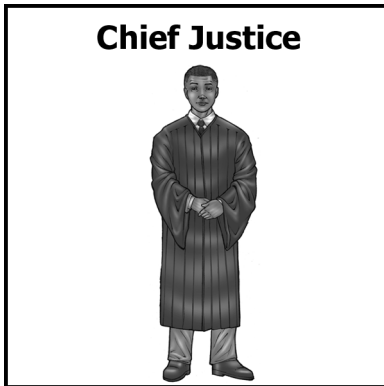


32 One of the roles of the judicial branch of Virginia state government is to —

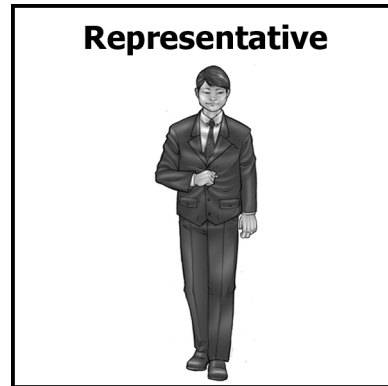
- F** hire new soldiers
- G** collect the taxes
- H** manage public schools
- J** decide court cases

33 Who is the leader of the executive branch of Virginia’s government?

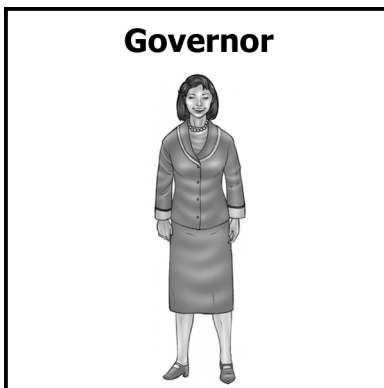
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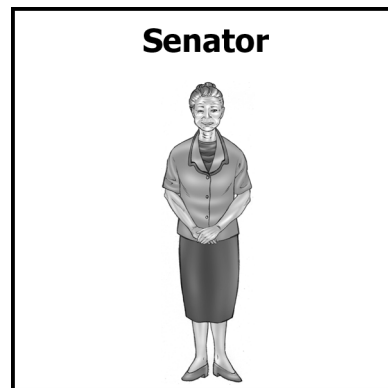
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34 What was most important to the economy of colonial Virginia?

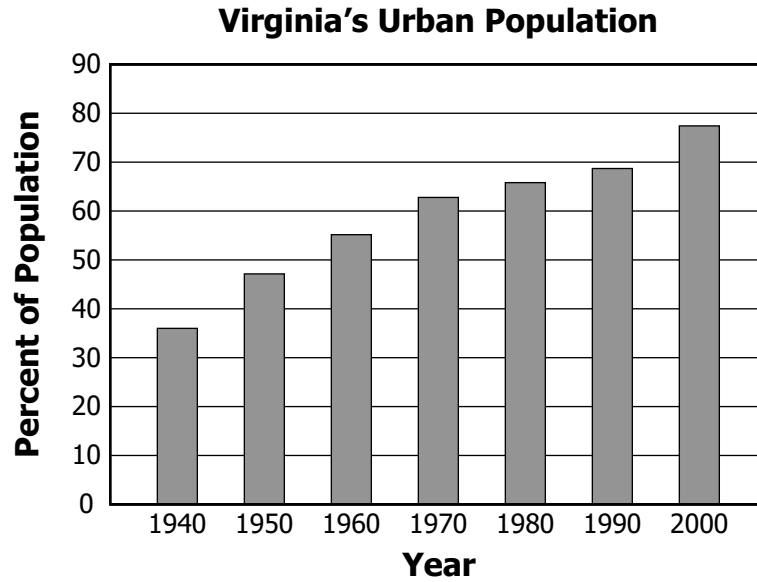
- F** Medicine
- G** Fishing
- H** Agriculture
- J** Mining

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There was very little paper money or coins in the early Virginia colony.

Storekeepers during this time mainly received payment by —

- A** offering to share goods with the settlers
- B** accepting checks from English banks
- C** offering credit to the settlers for goods
- D** accepting gold from English ships



Which factor caused the changes shown in this graph?

- F** More jobs
- G** Lower taxes
- H** More freedom
- J** Lower production

37 After the Civil War, many poor farmers in the South who did not own land became —

- A** slaves
- B** factory owners
- C** indentured servants
- D** sharecroppers

38 Which newspaper headline describes an economic activity of the Coastal Plain (Tidewater) region?

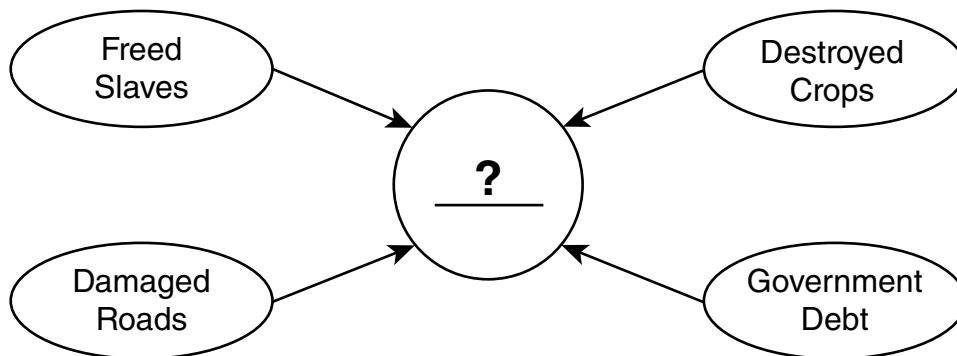
F *Virginia's News*
Ski Resorts Expect Heavy Snows

H *Virginia's News*
Tourists Crowd Area Hotels

G *Virginia's News*
Apple Production Breaks Records

J *Virginia's News*
Coal Companies Hire Workers

39



Which time period belongs in the circle?

- A Reconstruction
- B Colonization
- C Westward expansion
- D Great Depression

40 Virginia is an important part of the United States economy because it —

- F** exports agricultural and manufactured products
- G** is the largest automobile manufacturer
- H** leads in improving farming technologies
- J** is the main supplier of oil and natural gas



Answer Key-3174-H0112

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9	D	001	History
10	G	001	History
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12	J	001	History
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