Social Studies Grad Exam Study Guide
Chapter Four Part A - Growth of a New Nation (1783-1860)

Name ________________________________

Directions: Answer the following completely as you read pages 47-54 of the grad exam workbook.

1. Which treaty ended the Revolutionary War between the United States and Great Britain?

2. What act allowed land area from the Ohio River to the Mississippi River to be made into states with the same rights as the original thirteen?

3. What ordinance prohibited slavery in the territory that would later become the states of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Illinois?

4. What country did the United States buy the Louisiana Purchase from and when was the territory bought?

5. Which president bought the Louisiana Purchase and how much did he pay for it?

6. Did the Louisiana Purchase double or triple the size of the United States?

7. Many native Americans were forced to move into tiny parcels of land after the United States purchased the Louisiana Purchase in order to make room for white settlers. What are these tiny parcels of land called?

8. Which two men led an expedition to find a water route to the Pacific Ocean which, in turn, led to rapid migration to the Pacific Northwest?

9. What was the name of the very talented native American woman who became a translator to Lewis and Clark?

10. What year did Alabama become a state?

11. What is the phrase used to describe the period of national unity and optimism during the presidency of James Monroe?

12. What is the name of the policy in which the United States declared it would not interfere in the affairs of European countries and, perhaps more importantly, said America would oppose any European intervention into the affairs of nations in North and South America?

13. Who invented the cotton gin?
14. How did the invention of the cotton gin affect crops in the South?

15. Who is associated with the invention of the steam boat in 1807?

16. Which British engineer is widely credited with the invention of the steam-powered locomotive engine?

17. Which prominent senator proposed a plan for national improvement called the American System?

18. What are the three important parts of the American System?
   
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   2. 
   
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19. What stretched westward from Cumberland, Maryland to Wheeling, Virginia and then later, under Henry Clay’s influence, eventually extended to Vandalia, Illinois?

20. What provided a new shipping route from Buffalo, New York to Albany, New York?

21. How did the Erie Canal affect New York City?

22. Who was the first man to rise from poverty to become president of the United States?

23. Why has Jackson’s presidency become known as Jacksonian Democracy?

24. What is the Spoils System?

25. Which president started the Spoils System?

26. What does the Doctrine of Nullification state?

27. Who proposed the Doctrine of Nullification?

28. What is the name of the act proposed by Andrew Jackson that forced the removal of five Native American tribes into reservation?
29. What five Indian tribes were affected by the Indian Removal Act?

30. About one quarter of Native Americans died on this ________________ from disease, starvation, and the exposure to the cold.

31. List the four major trails that became routes for settlers heading to the West.
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32. Mormons were a religious group persecuted for their belief in polygamy. What is polygamy?

33. Many Mormons left Illinois and traveled to what present-day state?

34. When gold was found at Sutter’s Mill, California in 1848, what was the name of the huge migration of people to California?

35. During the 1820s, which nation had control of Texas?

36. What is the name of the old mission in San Antonio where many Texans fought bravely to the death for their independence from Santa Anna, dictator of Mexico?

37. Describe the belief known as Manifest Destiny.

38. Which president, believing in Manifest Destiny, led the United States to fight Mexico in the Mexican-American War (1846-1848)?

39. Which two territories did America purchase for $18 million dollars at the conclusion of the Mexican-American War?