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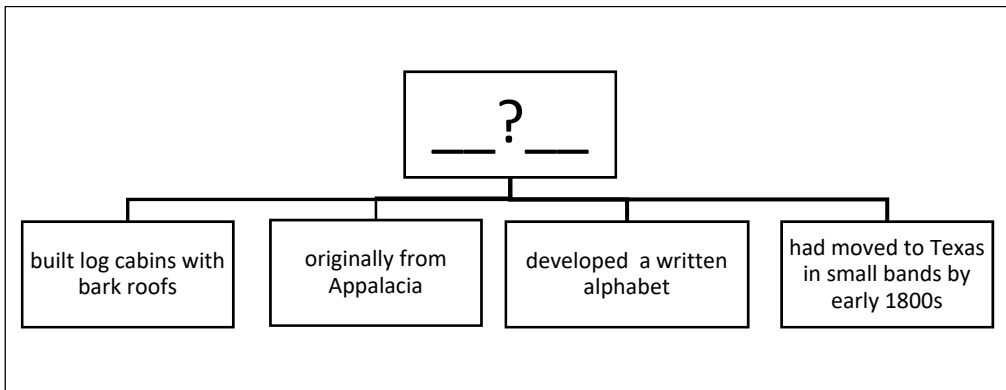
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**2019-2020 Social Studies 7-8
Practice Packet Test A**

1. Which king did Cabeza de Vaca address when he wrote of his nine-year journey?
 - A. Charles II
 - B. Charles V
 - C. Henry VIII
 - D. Juan Carlos II


2. Who defended the British soldiers involved in the Boston Massacre, and why?
 - A. Paul Revere, he was establishing a law practice
 - B. Samuel Adams, he was assigned as defense council
 - C. Thomas Jefferson, he was preparing for public office
 - D. John Adams, to show the world the colonists believed in fair trials.

3. Which was the first Spanish mission in Texas?
 - A. Corpus Christi de Ysleta
 - B. San Antonio de Valero
 - C. San Juan Capistrano
 - D. Sante Cruz de San Sabá

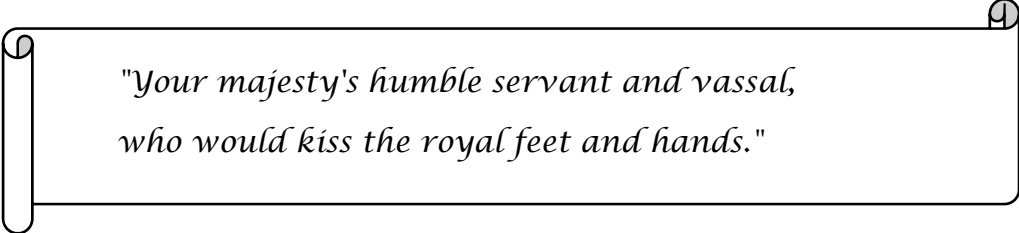


4. Which Native American nation belongs in the top box of the diagram shown above?
 - A. Cherokee
 - B. Caddo
 - C. Coahuiltican
 - D. Comanche

5. By 1850, the European population in Texas numbered around ____ .
 - A. 25,000
 - B. 500,000
 - C. 100,000
 - D. 200,000

19. Who was the first chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court?
- A. John Hemphill
 - B. Mirabeau Lamar
 - C. Thomas Jefferson Rusk
 - D. Juan Seguín
20. When a string of cities grow into each other, such as Boston, New York City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C., the region is referred to as a(n) ____ .
- A. acropolis
 - B. megalopolis
 - C. necropolis
 - D. propolis
21. The world is divided into ____ main timezones.
- A. six
 - B. twelve
 - C. eighteen
 - D. twenty-four
22. In which area of Texas did the Alabama-Coushatta people settle when they arrived in Texas?
- A. Balcones Escarpment
 - B. Big Thicket
 - C. Stockton Plateau
 - D. Toyah Basin
23. Picture here, ____ was one of the first African American Texas legislators. He lobbied for a leveled playing field for minorities and women, including political representation, state employment, educational opportunities, and state businesses.
- A. Paul B. Ragsdale
 - B. Larry Q. Evans
 - C. Joe Currie Hanna
 - D. Albert James Price
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24. ____ is the total value of the goods and services produced by a nation within its own borders in one year.
- A. Gross domestic product
 - B. Gross national product
 - C. Limited domestic product
 - D. Limited national product
25. ____ is a long-term reflection of rain, temperature, and wind patterns in a particular region.
- A. Atmosphere
 - B. Climate
 - C. Geography
 - D. Weather

32. The discovery of ____ at Spindletop Hill in 1901 had a great effect on the economy of Texas.
- A. coal
 - B. natural gas
 - C. oil
 - D. silver
33. What do the following have in common: mixer, stove, refrigerator?
- A. All were improved by electricity.
 - B. They are relics of a bygone era.
 - C. They were invented after 1950.
 - D. They are unchanged kitchen appliances.
34. In 1919, Texas became the first southern state to ratify the ____ Amendment, which gave women the right to vote.
- A. 18th
 - B. 19th
 - C. 20th
 - D. 21st
35. What type of scientist studies artifacts to learn about the past people and culture of a region?
- A. archaeology
 - B. paleontology
 - C. sociology
 - D. zoology



*"Your majesty's humble servant and vassal,
who would kiss the royal feet and hands."*

36. ____ signed his letter as above addressed to the king of Spain in 1541 after describing his explorations of the Llano Estacado area of Texas.
- A. Álvar Nuñez Cabeza de Vaca
 - B. Francisco Coronado
 - C. Hernando Cortés
 - D. Hernando De Soto
37. After World War II, the U.S. government increased efforts to develop missiles and rockets in ____, the center of space flight technology.
- A. Alabama
 - B. California
 - C. Florida
 - D. Texas