

Mrs. Smith's Semester 1 Study Guide for Georgia Studies

******Geography and Prehistoric Period***

1. In which geographical region of Georgia are the rivers navigable?
2. Why was the physical feature of the Fall Line important in the development of modern Georgia?
3. Define where Georgia is located (continent, nation, hemisphere, and state region)
4. Which term best describes the Piedmont region of Georgia today?
5. What is the natural boundary that separates the Coastal Plain and Piedmont regions and marks the point at which rivers drop in elevation creating waterfalls?
6. What is considered to be a major resource found in Georgia's coastal plains?
7. Which landform BEST describes the Piedmont area of Georgia?
8. What is the name of the area of Georgia where the land is mostly level and borders the Atlantic Ocean?
9. In which state is the source of the Chattahoochee River located?
10. What characteristics BEST describe Georgia's coastal plain region?
11. Which physical feature is located in the coastal plains region of Georgia?
12. In which two hemispheres is the state of Georgia located?
13. The Woodland tribe, who lived in Georgia from about 1000 BCE to 1000 CE., built many earthen mounds, such as Rock Eagle Mound in northern Georgia. Anthropologists believe these mounds were used mainly for
14. Which development resulted in increased population and permanent settlements among Georgia's prehistoric Native Americans?
15. Why did the Creek people settle near water sources?
16. Which Prehistoric Native Americans were the first to inhabit North America and hunted giant prey such as the Mastodon?
17. Which group of Native Americans occupied most of what is now Georgia?
18. Why have few Paleo artifacts been found in any one place?

19. Why did the Archaic people move frequently?
20. The main purpose of the Spanish missions on the barrier islands was to:
21. Why did Hernando de Soto explore much of Georgia in 1540 and why was his expedition considered a failure?
22. The first permanent settlement in the New World was built at:
23. What was the name of the first British fort built in Georgia?
24. In which hemisphere does the Prime Meridian place Georgia?
25. List the states and the ocean that border Georgia:
26. Which Georgia region is the smallest in size and the only place you will find coal in Georgia?
27. Georgia has no natural lakes, where does most of our water come from?
28. Describe the Piedmont Region of Georgia:
29. Name two (2) cities located on the Fall Line:
30. Name a city located in the Piedmont Region:
31. Which region is known for growing peanuts, pecans, and corn?
32. Why have many of Georgia's cities and industries grown up along the fall line?
33. Describe the Okefenokee Swamp and list which geographical region of Georgia it is located:
34. The _____ River is the primary source of water for Atlanta.
35. The _____ River was the site of the earliest English settlement, is the only river to start in another state, and forms the boundary between South Carolina and Georgia.
36. What is the primary function of the barrier islands?
37. Which city is most likely to experience a direct hit from a hurricane? Plains, Savannah, Athens, or Helen
38. Georgia's climate attracts businesses and industry because:

*****Georgia Colony Period**

1. What does it mean that Georgia was a “buffer colony”?
2. What was the main reason the king wanted to create the Georgia colony?
3. Why did Oglethorpe suggest forming a colony for the poor?
4. What items did Oglethorpe promise to produce in Georgia?
5. Describe the people Oglethorpe and his associates (the Trustees) wanted to bring to Georgia.
6. Georgia’s charter (The Charter of 1732) included what provisions?
7. What year did King George II grant Oglethorpe and the trustees a charter for the Georgia colony?
8. What religious group was NOT allowed to settle in Georgia?
9. What group of people was forbidden to enter Georgia?
10. What ship brought Oglethorpe and the first colonists to Savannah in the winter of 1733?
11. Which European nation set up the colony of Georgia under Oglethorpe’s rule?
12. What was required of those selected to settle the Georgia colony?
13. What right did the trustees give the first Georgia settlers?
14. To keep the trustees from taking advantage of the colonists, the king set a policy that did NOT allow them to do what?
15. What Indians were led by Tomochichi?
16. Tomochichi allowed Oglethorpe to settle along what river?
17. Who surveyed and helped design the city of Savannah?
18. Where did Oglethorpe and the colonists land when they first arrived in Georgia?
19. Describe Oglethorpe’s plan for the establishment of Savannah. How was it to be designed?

20. The basic pattern of Savannah was fashioned after:
21. Why did Germans from Salzburg come to Georgia?
22. Who was the German Salzburger's leader and where did they first settle?
23. Why did the Salzburgers move from their original Georgia settlement?
24. On which barrier island did the Salzburgers settle?
25. What/who was the greatest threat to the Georgia colony?
26. Where in Georgia did the Highland Scots settle?
27. Which policy did the Highland Scots oppose?
28. Who were the malcontents?

*****Georgia Revolutionary War Period**

1. How did Georgia benefit and what were the gains from the French and Indian War?
2. Why was Georgia reluctant to join the other colonies in the Revolutionary War against England?
3. What was the major difference in militaries between France and England when the French and Indian War started?
4. What was the effect of the French and Indian War on Georgia in terms of growth and development?
5. Why did the many of the Native American Indian tribes side with the French?
6. Name the two countries involved in the negotiations to end the French and Indian war:
7. How did the French and Indian War influence the American Revolution?
8. What was the Proclamation of 1763?
9. The Proclamation of 1763 moved Georgia's southern boundary to the:
10. Georgians who opposed the Stamp Act were called:

11. What were the Intolerable Acts and how did they affect the colonists?
12. Why were some Georgians loyal to the King at the beginning of the Revolutionary War?
13. What is the opening part of the Declaration of Independence called?
14. Who was the primary author of the Declaration of Independence?
15. What is included in the middle part of the Declaration of Independence?
16. What is included in the third part of the Declaration of Independence?
17. Where did the first colonial victory in Georgia occur during the Revolutionary War?
18. Who was the leader of the colonial militia at the Battle of Kettle Creek?
19. What was the importance of the Battle of Kettle Creek?
20. Name the black soldier who was seriously wounded at the Battle of Kettle Creek:
21. Who was the female patriot from Georgia famous for capturing and killing a group of Tories during the war?
22. Who were the three Georgia delegates to sign the Declaration of Independence?
23. How could Georgia's support of the Revolutionary War effort best be described?
24. Independence from Great Britain came for Georgia and other colonies in what year?
25. Who was the foreign patriot who died during the siege of Savannah?
26. What was the most significant result of the siege of Savannah?
27. Which was one of the main weaknesses of Georgia's Constitution of 1777?
28. Under Georgia's Constitution of 1777, governors were selected by:
29. What were the reasons that Georgia's first constitution limited the powers of the governor?
30. Who was elected Georgia's first governor under the Constitution of 1777?
31. The first written plan for the government of the United States was called the:

32. The weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation led to:

33. Under the Articles of the Confederation there was a:

34. Why were government officials hesitant to change the Articles of Confederation?

35. Why did the authors of the Articles of Confederation want a federal (central) government with limited power?

36. What was the purpose of the Constitutional Convention held in Philadelphia in 1787?

37. Georgia sent 4 delegates to sign the U.S. Constitution, only 2 actually signed it, they were:

38. How many states ratified the Constitution before Georgia?

39. What was the initial reason for calling the Philadelphia Convention in 1787?

40. After the Constitution was written and signed, it had to be ratified or approved by the states. How did Georgia respond to ratification?

*****Georgia Westward Expansion Period → You do not have to complete this since we just tested over this .**

1. What is a “land grant university”?

2. What factor influenced the relocation of Georgia’s capital between the colonial period and Reconstruction?

3. In what Georgia capital city were the records of the Yazoo Land fraud burned?

4. By 1860, what were the two largest church/religious denominations?

5. Which church sent circuit riders to frontier settlements to provide monthly church services?

6. What issue caused the split between the Methodist and Baptist churches?

7. What was the headright system and what was its purpose?

8. What system replaced the headright system?

9. In the early 1800s, Georgia’s policy of giving land to citizens through lotteries was meant to:

10. What was the Yazoo land fraud?

11. Why did Georgia give up claims to land in present-day Mississippi and Alabama?

12. Why did the Yazoo land fraud occur?

13. To what group did Georgia’s governor and General Assembly sell the land between the Mississippi River and Yazoo River?

14. How did Eli Whitney's invention of the cotton gin impact Georgia?
15. The chief crop in Georgia before the Civil War was
16. The cotton gin was used to
17. Which mode of transportation was developed in Georgia just before the Civil War and was extremely important to Georgia's war effort and post-war economic development?
18. What other modes of transportation were used during this time period?
19. The two largest Indian Nations living in Georgia during this time period were the:
20. Who was Sequoyah?
21. Why was William McIntosh, a Creek chief, murdered by his own people?
22. What was the Treaty of Indian Springs and who was responsible for working out this treaty?
23. Why did Georgia citizens want to remove the Cherokee Indians from their land?
24. What was George Gist's (Sequoyah's) greatest contribution to the Cherokee culture?
25. Who was the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court that ruled that Cherokee territory was NOT subject to state law?
26. Who was the chief of the Cherokee that took a petition to Congress protesting the removal of the Cherokee from their land?
27. When Andrew Jackson said "John Marshall has rendered his decision, now let him enforce it" he meant that:
28. All of the trails along which the Indians were taken ended in the Indian territory, which is located mainly in the present-day state of:
29. What was the reason that the state of Georgia began to try and remove the Cherokee Indians from the state?
30. Who disagreed with the governor of Georgia about his removal policy of the Cherokee Indians?
31. The journey of the Cherokee from Georgia to Oklahoma is called:
32. The _____ Indians were forcibly removed from North Georgia after _____ was found on land in North Georgia.
33. Atlanta was once called _____ because