

# Practice Golden Horseshoe Test

1. *During the Civil War, West Virginians were important to both the North and South for all of the following reasons, EXCEPT:*

- A The division of Virginia would be a military and political victory for the Confederacy.
- B The eastern panhandle included parts of the Shenandoah Valley, which contained rich farmland and was an important north-south route.
- C The salt works in the Kanawha Valley were important for the preservation of meat.
- D The division of Virginia would be a military and political victory for the Union.

2. *At the general election in November 1956, the following amendment to the state constitution was approved by the voters: "Regardless of sex, all persons, who are otherwise qualified, shall be eligible to serve as petit jurors, in both civil and criminal cases, as grand jurors and as coroner's jurors." What did this amendment do?*

- A established equal rights for women
- B gave women the right to trial by jury
- C gave women the right to vote
- D allowed women to be jurors

3. *The elected official who is keeper of the Great Seal of West Virginia is:*

- A the State Auditor
- B the Governor
- C the Secretary of State
- D the Attorney General

4. *How many justices serve on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals?*

- A Nine
- B Seven
- C Five
- D Six

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5. *Prehistory is divided into time periods (i.e., Paleo-Indian, Archaic, etc.). Which of the following is NOT a criterion used in establishing these periods?*

- A Manner in which dead were honored
- B Types of languages spoken
- C Ways of making a living
- D Kinds of tools used

6. **The building of Hawk's Nest Tunnel, in Fayette County, in 1930-31 is remembered for**

- A the deaths of hundreds of laborers from silicosis.
- B being the beginning work on Hawk's Nest State Park.
- C opening railroad service to the famous New River coalfield.
- D the discovery of Indian artifacts.

7. *The sites of West Virginia's original and present state capital are located within these two geographic regions.*

- A Ohio River Valley and Allegheny Plateau
- B Ohio River Valley and Potomac Section
- C Potomac Section and Allegheny Highland
- D Potomac Section and Allegheny Plateau

8. *Parts of West Virginia face dramatic change in the wake of development. Three examples are a proposed housing development along the New River Gorge, rapid housing growth in the eastern panhandle, and construction of Corridor H through Tucker, Grant and Hardy counties. Which of the following statements is NOT true of development in these three locations?*

- A Development in each of the locations will expand the local tax base.
- B Development in each of the locations will bring permanent high-paying jobs to the area.
- C Development in each of the locations will increase their respective populations.
- D Development in each of the locations will increase the need for new infrastructure.

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9. *In 2001, the majority of West Virginians who were not employed in farming worked in these two areas:*

- A services and wholesale/retail trade
- B mining and manufacturing
- C transportation and utilities
- D construction and real estate

10. *Which of the following would NOT be a member of the judicial branch of government in West Virginia?*

- A Municipal Judge
- B Magistrate
- C Family Law Judge
- D Circuit Judge

11. *If you started a canoe trip at the head of Middle Island Creek and followed the flow of the river, which body of water would you reach first?*

- A Atlantic Ocean
- B Pacific Ocean
- C Lake Erie
- D Gulf of Mexico

12. *Which of the following statements describe the West Virginia coal fields between 1919 and 1921?*

- A John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America successfully organized miners in Logan and Mingo counties in 1921.
- B John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, asked President Warren G. Harding to send federal troops to West Virginia to make mine owners accept yellow-dog contracts.
- C The United Mine Workers of America hired agents of the Baldwin-Felts Agency to protect labor organizers working in southern West Virginia.
- D Mine owners opposed efforts to unionize miners, leading to violent conflicts at Matewan and Blair Mountain.

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13. *Apple and peach farming are most important to the economy of the:*

- A Northern Panhandle
- B Eastern Panhandle
- C Ohio Valley
- D Allegheny Highlands

14. *Which BEST describes a labor "strike"?*

- A A group effort to enforce a demand by refusing to work.
- B A refusal to allow nonunion members to work.
- C An organized "showdown" in production to force an employer to raise wages.
- D A demonstration against an employer.