

US History 1 AND Accelerated US History 1

April 14 - May 1, 2020

We will be covering Chapters 13 and 14 for this period of time. Chapter 14 is where we are to get to this year, and Mrs. B. will start with Chapter 15 (Civil War) next year in US History 2 and Accelerated US History 2. Right now, my plan is to just grade you on your chapter section questions as though they were quizzes and your writing assignments as any other writing assignment. I do not think it is practical to give you five chapter tests (what we will have covered since school closed) when you get back to school-- not to mention, that it would be child abuse in my opinion!

Because Chapters 13 and 14 each have four sections and there are 14 school days to cover eight days of material (if we cover each section in one day), I will supplement the remaining six days with other assignments that relate to each section covered. They may be video writing assignments or assignments from the book. For instance, you will be doing an assignment from the book on an excerpt taken from the novel *Uncle Tom's Cabin* because, as you may remember my mentioning in class, this novel had a great influence on the North's taking a strong stand against slavery. I will continue to send you notes, video links, and assignments daily through email, but I am including here Chapters 13 and 14 Question packets. Both chapters are pdf files on the school website. If you want to work ahead with the question packets and not wait for my almost daily notes, you can read the chapters online and answer the questions that way. I cannot include all the notes, video links, and assignments on the website, however, because it takes me about up to three hours to do that per day. Plus, I still need to find all the supplemental assignments. Anything beyond the question packets, therefore, will continue to be emailed daily.

Going forward, there is a pretty lengthy study guide to be completed for the final exam at the end of the year. After looking through it and the book, I'm pretty sure it only covers the last five chapters-- exactly what you have been getting and will continue to get from me while school is closed. To me, that further confirms that giving five separate tests on the five chapters we are covering while school is closed is not necessary. You will be getting that study guide to complete on Monday, May 4-- whether we are back in school or Governor Wolf keeps the schools closed beyond Friday, May 1. Regardless, at that point, I will need to consult Mrs. B. regarding how she wants the year to end and how to give the final if we do not return to school to have you take it in person.

CHAPTER 13: *Westward Expansion*
Question Packet

This questions assignment includes all sections of Chapter 13. You can take photos of what you have done and email it to me, or you can type your answers and email them to me in an attached document. **After reading from the book for each section, read through the notes document for that section and answer the following questions:**

Chapter 13, Section 1: "The West"

1. What did "the West" mean to Americans in the 1800s?

2. What groups shaped the culture of the Southwest?

3. What did Americans mean by Manifest Destiny?

Accelerated Only:

1. *Why did American farmers prefer to settle in the Northwest rather than the Great Plains?*

2. *How did the geography of the Great Plains affect U.S. settlement in that region in the early 1800s?*

Chapter 13, Section 2: "Trails to the West"

1. Why did the mountain men travel to Oregon?
2. Why did settlers travel by wagon train?
3. Why did women enjoy greater equality in the West than in the East?

Accelerated Only:

1. *Why did Americans go to Oregon in the early 1800s?*
2. *Why did conflict arise between Native Americans and settlers in Oregon?*

Chapter 13, Section 3: "Conflict With Mexico"

1. Why did Texans want independence from Mexico?
2. How did the annexation of Texas increase tensions with Mexico?
3. How did Polk's actions lead to the war with Mexico?
4. What was the Mexican Cession?

Accelerated Only:

1. *Why did the Republic of Texas hope the United States would annex Texas?*
2. *What did the United States gain as a result of the Mexican-American War?*

Chapter 13, Section 4: "A Rush to the West"

1. Why did the Mormans leave Illinois?
2. Why were water rights an important issue?
3. What effects did the Gold Rush have on California?

Accelerated Only:

1. *Why did the Mormans decide to move to Utah?*
2. *Which groups benefited the most from the discovery of gold? Which groups suffered the most? Explain.*

CHAPTER 14: *The Nation Divided*
Question Packet

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Chapter 14, Section 1: "Growing Tensions Over Slavery"

1. Why was the Free-Soil Party founded?

2. How did California's proposed admission to the Union affect the debate between the North and the South over slavery?

Accelerated Only:

1. *What was the Wilmot Proviso?*

2. *What were the main issues that led to Henry Clay's proposed compromise?*

Chapter 14, Section 2: "Compromises Fail"

1. How did the Compromise of 1850 deal with the admission of California to the Union?
2. What impact did *Uncle Tom's Cabin* have?
3. How did Stephen Douglas's plan undo the Missouri Compromise?
4. What was the outcome of the election to select a legislature in the Kansas Territory?

Accelerated Only:

1. What parts of the Compromise of 1850 were included to please the North?
2. What was the Kansas-Nebraska Act?

Chapter 14, Section 3: "The Crisis Deepens"

1. What was the result of the election of 1856?
2. Why did Dred Scott claim he was no longer enslaved?
3. What position did Douglas take on slavery?
4. What was John Brown's goal in launching the raid on Harpers Ferry?

Accelerated Only:

1. *Which groups supported the newly formed Republican Party?*
2. *How did Supreme Court Chief Justice Roger B. Taney's ruling in the Dred Scott Decision further divide the North and the South?*

Chapter 14, Section 4: "The Coming of the Civil War"

1. Why did Southern states secede from the Union?
2. Why was Lincoln reluctant to give up Fort Sumter?

Accelerated Only:

1. *What was the South's reaction to Lincoln's election? How did Lincoln try to reassure the South?*
2. *What event marked the start of the war between the North and the South?*