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Fannie Lou Hamer - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Where was Fannie Lou Hamer born?

A. Texas

B. Tennessee

☒ C. Mississippi

D. Missouri

2. Hamer's parents were { }.

☒ A. sharecroppers

B. shopkeepers

C. teachers

D. activists

3. True or False: Hamer met her husband in college.

A. True

☒ B. False

4. Which organization did Hamer learn about in 1962?

A. CORE

B. NAACP

C. AFL-CIO

☒ D. SNCC

5. Why did Hamer and her neighbors go to Indianola?

☒ A. To register to vote

B. To protest unfair voting laws

C. To stage a sit-in

D. To testify in front of the DNC

6. Police stopped Hamer's bus on the way home from Indianola, claiming that { }.

A. the tires were flat

☒ B. the bus was too yellow

C. the headlights were out

D. the driver was speeding

7. Hamer was arrested and sent to jail for which act of protest?

- A. Marching in a parade
- B. Refusing to give her train seat to a White woman
- C. Illegally crossing state lines
- ☒ D. Sitting at a Whites-only lunch counter

8. True or False: Hamer won a Congressional seat in 1964.

- A. True
- ☒ B. False

9. How did President Johnson try to divert attention from Hamer’s testimony at the Democratic National Convention?

- A. He attended the session and interrupted her continually as she spoke.
- ☒ B. He held a last-minute press conference at the same time so her testimony wouldn’t be televised.
- C. He scheduled a noisy parade to go by the building where Hamer was speaking.
- D. He created a traffic jam on the other side of town so no one would be able to get to the convention hall.

10. Hamer was a founding member of which political party?

- ☒ A. Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party (MFDP)
- B. Mississippi Civil Rights Party (MCRP)
- C. Democratic Party for Voting Equality (DPVE)
- D. Southern Voting Freedom Party (SVFP)