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Imperialism

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. During which century did the age of imperialism begin?

- A. 1600s
- B. 1700s
- C. 1800s
- D. 1900s

2. What does the phrase "the white man's burden" refer to?

- A. the Europeans' belief that they had a mission to civilize people of color
- B. the European epidemic of back pain as a result of the agricultural revolution
- C. a famous song that provides arguments for slavery
- D. Cecil Rhodes's company during the scramble for Africa

3. What was the name of the theory that applied natural selection to civilized society?

- A. social Darwinism
- B. evolutionary society
- C. societal fitness
- D. Darwinian economics

4. What was the result of the Sepoy Mutiny?

- A. India gained independence from Britain.
- B. Indians converted to Christianity.
- C. The British government gained control of India.
- D. The British East India Company went out of business.

5. Why hadn't conquistadors conquered Africa during the Age of Exploration?

- A. Maps of the time period did not include Africa.
- B. They didn't have the drugs needed to fight malaria.
- C. They were too busy colonizing Latin America.
- D. Their ships weren't strong enough to reach the southern tip of Africa.

6. Which two African countries remained independent during the scramble for Africa?

- A. South Africa and Kenya
- B. North Rhodesia and South Rhodesia
- C. Ethiopia and Liberia
- D. Nigeria and Tanzania

7. How did Cecil Rhodes affect the map of Africa during the age of imperialism?

- A. He helped prevent deforestation in Africa.
- B. He created the Rhodes Scholarship.
- C. He named two countries after himself.
- D. He changed the shape of the coastline.

8. Who successfully led an African tribe's fight against British colonizers?

- A. Shaka Zulu
- B. Cecil Rhodes
- C. David Livingstone
- D. Nelson Mandela

9. Which of the following was NOT an effect of the Boer War?

- A. A total of 150,000 Boer women and children were put in forced labor camps.
- B. South African racial conflict arose in the later twentieth century.
- C. The British gained control of South Africa.
- D. Black South Africans immediately gained equal rights.

10. Why did the French originally enter Vietnam?

- A. to spread Christianity
- B. to share the teachings of Napoleonic Code
- C. to bring cures to common diseases
- D. to counter German control of the area