**America: The Story of Us**

**Westward**

1.)\_\_\_\_\_ What creates the Cumberland Gap- through which many settlers flow?

a.) explosives b.) an asteroid c.) men d.) all of these!

2.)\_\_\_\_\_ What tribe do they run up against?

a.) Choctaw b.) Sioux c.) Shawnee d.) Powhatan

3.)\_\_\_\_\_ Which is true of the Louisiana Purchase?

a.) the deal was struck in 1803. B.) the land was purchased from Napoleon

c.) we paid about 3cents an acre. D.) All of these are true!

4.)\_\_\_\_\_ What is true of the Rockies?

a.) it is 90 separate mountain ranges! B.) it is treacherous- and 3000 miles long!

c.) it is fabled to have wooly mammoths! D.) all of these are true!

5.)\_\_\_\_\_ What is the west’s most valuable commodity?

a.) beaver b.) grizzly bear c.) mink d.) gold

6.)\_\_\_\_\_ Trappers live a dangerous life- how many don’t make it out alive?

a.) one in ten b.) one in eight c.) one in six d.) one in five

7.)\_\_\_\_\_ Jedidiah Smith was attacked by something- what was it?

a.) a bison b.) a bear c.) an elk d.) a cougar

8.)\_\_\_\_\_ Which interstate follows the paths first laid by those early pioneers?

a.) I-5 b.) I-15 c.) route 66 d.) I-2

9.)\_\_\_\_\_ How much did a wagon an oxen cost (in today’s money)?

a.) $500 b.) $1000 c.) $1500 d.) $5000

10.)\_\_\_\_ How many Americans will die settling the west?

a.)10,000 b.) 20,000 c.) 50,000 d.) 1,000,000

11.)\_\_\_\_ How many miles is the ‘shortcut’ the Donner’s party take supposed to save?

a.) 100 miles b.) 200 miles c.) 300 miles d.) 400 miles

12.)\_\_\_\_ Why did they label the flesh of the bodies?

a.) so family’s wouldn’t eat their own families!

13.)\_\_\_\_ What kind of ‘fever’ is about to change the west?

a.) dengue b.) malaria c.) small pox d.) gold

14.)\_\_\_\_ Mexico invited settlers to come into their territory- which territory?

a.) Texas b.) Arizona c.) New Mexico d.) the Gadsen Purchase

15.)\_\_\_\_ What other territory becomes part of the United States- that was once part of Mexico?

a.) Arizona b.) New Mexico c.) California d.) the Gadsen Purchase

16.)\_\_\_\_ In two years, the population of California goes from 15,000 to…

a.)30,000 b.) 50,000 c.) 75,000 d.) 100,000

17.)\_\_\_\_ After just \_\_\_\_\_ years, the gold rush is over.

a.) 2 b.) 3 c.) 5 d.) 10

18.)\_\_\_\_ Of the 300,000 that rushed to find gold- less than one in \_\_\_\_\_ found it.

a) 300 b.) 500 d.) 1000 d.) 10,000

19.)\_\_\_\_ In bad years, malaria killed:

a.) one in 20 b.) one in ten c.) one in 8 d.) one in 5

20.)\_\_\_\_ What do they see along the Mississippi that will change the nation?

a.) a railroad b.) a steamship c.) a steel plow d.) a cannon