Print your name and the name of your school on the lines above.

The test has three parts. Parts I and II are in this test booklet; Part III is in Booklet 2.

**Part I** contains 35 multiple-choice questions. Record your answers to these questions on the separate answer sheet. Use only a No. 2 pencil on your answer sheet.

**Part II** consists of several short-answer questions. Write your answers to Part II in this test booklet.

You will have 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) hours to answer the questions in Booklet 1.
Part I

DIRECTIONS

There are 35 questions on Part I of this test. Each question is followed by four choices, labeled A–D. Read each question carefully. Decide which choice is the correct answer. On the separate answer sheet, mark your answer in the row of circles for each question by filling in the circle that has the same letter as the answer you have chosen. Use a pencil to mark the answer sheet.

Read the sample question below:

Sample Question

Which city is the capital of New York State?

(A) Utica
(B) Albany
(C) New York City
(D) Buffalo

The correct answer is Albany, which is next to letter B. On your answer sheet, look at the box showing the row of answer circles for the sample question. Since choice B is the correct answer for the sample question, the circle with the letter B has been filled in.

Answer all 35 questions on Part I of this test. Fill in only one circle for each question. Be sure to erase completely any answer you want to change. You may not know the answers to some of the questions, but do the best you can on each one.

When you have finished Part I, go on to Part II.
Part I

Answer all questions in this part.

1 Generation after generation, people tell stories to their children about their ancestors. When this happens, it is called

(A) oral history  (C) written biographies
(B) historical artifacts  (D) library research

2 What is a 100-year period of time called?

(A) decade  (C) century
(B) millennium  (D) light-year

3 Rivers have been important to the development of cities mainly because they have provided

(A) places to swim  (B) ways to transport goods and people
(C) protection from attack  (D) rich hunting grounds

4 Importing goods from other countries is important mainly because it helps people

(A) get items their country needs  (B) visit other countries
(C) know where other countries are located  (D) prepare to move to another country

5 Raw materials such as coal and iron ore that are used in the production of goods are called

(A) capital resources  (C) wasted resources
(B) natural resources  (D) labor resources
Base your answer to question 6 on the graph below and on your knowledge of social studies.

![Countries with the Largest Populations in the World](image)

6 If all these countries were the same size in square miles, which country would be the **least** densely populated?

(A) India  
(B) China  
(C) United States  
(D) Brazil

7 When the amount of chocolate available for people to eat goes down, the price of chocolate usually goes up. This situation shows that the price of chocolate is influenced by

(A) the president  
(B) supply and demand  
(C) a boycott  
(D) arctic climates

8 Regions of the world often have different plant and animal life because they have different

(A) environments  
(B) raw materials  
(C) cultures  
(D) nationalities
9 Which name best completes this graphic organizer?
(A) Montauk  (C) Iroquois
(B) Algonquian  (D) Mohican

10 The weather pattern of an area over a long period of time is called
(A) precipitation  (C) geography
(B) history  (D) climate

11 Families have many needs and wants. Which item is a want?
(A) television  (C) shelter
(B) food  (D) water

12 Which term is used to describe money collected to pay for the services that a community provides?
(A) savings  (C) interest
(B) profit  (D) taxes

13 In most countries, the main responsibility of the government is to create
(A) wants and needs  (C) imports and exports
(B) rituals and customs  (D) rules and laws
14 People are expected to be responsible members of a nation if they want to enjoy the rights and privileges of that nation. This idea best illustrates

(A) equality  (C) scarcity
(B) citizenship  (D) diversity

15 Which set of events about early American history is in the correct order from earliest to latest?

(A) colonization → Revolutionary War → European exploration
(B) colonization → European exploration → Revolutionary War
(C) European exploration → colonization → Revolutionary War
(D) Revolutionary War → European exploration → colonization

16 The number of stars on the United States flag today represents the

(A) number of Native American tribal groups
(B) homelands of immigrant groups
(C) current fifty states
(D) original thirteen colonies

17 People who favored independence during the American Revolution were called

(A) Confederates  (C) Redcoats
(B) Loyalists  (D) Patriots

18 During the colonial period, what was the occupation of most New Yorkers?

(A) farming  (C) silversmithing
(B) fur trading  (D) blacksmithing

19 What is the main reason that people move to the city during a rural to urban migration?

(A) to have a better chance of getting a job
(B) to be closer to farmland
(C) to be near parks and open spaces
(D) to get away from crowded slums
Base your answers to questions 20 and 21 on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.

20 During the War of 1812, which two battles were fought on the eastern end of Lake Ontario?
   (A) Sackets Harbor and Fort Erie
   (B) Ogdensburg and Plattsburgh
   (C) Plattsburgh and Lewiston
   (D) Oswego and Sackets Harbor

21 According to this map, which statement about the War of 1812 is true?
   (A) Much of the fighting happened along the Hudson Valley in New York State.
   (B) The largest battle of the war took place in New York City.
   (C) Many battles during the war were fought in western and northern New York State.
   (D) The first naval battle of the war happened on Lake Erie.
Base your answer to question 22 on the graph below and on your knowledge of social studies.

![Graph showing Tons of Goods Shipped on the Erie Canal, 1835–1915](image)


22 The largest increase in the amount of goods shipped on the canal occurred during which 10-year period?

(A) 1835–1845  
(B) 1845–1855  
(C) 1885–1895  
(D) 1905–1915

23 Which event in New York State was a result of the other three?

(A) The Erie Canal was built to link the Atlantic Ocean with the Great Lakes.
(B) Fulton's steamboats could travel only between New York City and Albany.
(C) Farmers in western New York State wanted to ship grain to New York City.
(D) Many businesses outside of New York City wanted better and cheaper forms of transportation.
Base your answer to question 24 on the time line below and on your knowledge of social studies.

1609
Henry Hudson claimed land for the Netherlands

1754–1763
French and Indian War fought between British and French

1777
X

1812–1814
War of 1812 fought between the United States and Great Britain

24 Which event should be placed where the X is located?
(A) Erie Canal opened
(B) Battle of Saratoga fought
(C) Iroquois Confederacy formed
(D) Transcontinental Railroad completed

25 In the United States today, how are government leaders such as mayors, governors, and senators chosen?
(A) They are appointed by the Supreme Court.
(B) They are elected by citizens.
(C) They are picked by business leaders.
(D) They are selected by state legislatures.

26 Congress is the lawmaking branch of which level of government?
(A) local
(B) county
(C) state
(D) federal

27 The head of a state government is called a
(A) chairperson
(B) president
(C) governor
(D) mayor

28 In the United States, how often are presidential elections held?
(A) every six years
(B) every four years
(C) every two years
(D) every year

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Base your answers to questions 29 and 30 on the graph below and on your knowledge of social studies.

### Major Immigrant Groups in New York State

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>National Origin</th>
<th>Number of Immigrants (in thousands)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Hungarian</td>
<td>709</td>
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<td>Italian</td>
<td>182,248</td>
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<tr>
<td>Polish</td>
<td>69,755</td>
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<td>Russian</td>
<td>165,610</td>
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29 Based on this graph, which group had the largest number of immigrants in 1870?

(A) Hungarians  (C) Polish
(B) Italians    (D) Russians

30 Which immigrant group showed the greatest increase in numbers from 1870 to 1900?

(A) Hungarians  (C) Polish
(B) Italians    (D) Russians
Base your answer to question 31 on the table below and on your knowledge of social studies.

The Longest Rivers in the World

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<th>River</th>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Miles</th>
<th>Kilometers</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nile</td>
<td>Egypt</td>
<td>4,132</td>
<td>6,650</td>
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<tr>
<td>Amazon</td>
<td>Brazil</td>
<td>4,000</td>
<td>6,437</td>
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<td>Changjiang-Yangzi</td>
<td>China</td>
<td>3,915</td>
<td>6,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mississippi-Missouri</td>
<td>United States</td>
<td>3,710</td>
<td>5,971</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yenisey-Angara</td>
<td>Russia</td>
<td>3,274</td>
<td>5,269</td>
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31 Which statement is best supported by the information in this table?
(A) China has more rivers than the United States.
(B) Brazil has a longer river than Egypt.
(C) Russia has the third longest river system in the world.
(D) The five longest rivers (river systems) of the world are all over 3,000 miles long.

32 These three statements were made by different people at different times in history.

“When spiderwebs unite, they can tie up a lion.” —Ethiopian proverb

“We must live together as brothers or we will all perish together as fools.” —Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929–1968)

“All for one, one for all, that is our motto.” —Alexandre Dumas (1802–1870)

Which ideal is referred to in these three statements?
(A) leadership
(B) justice
(C) cooperation
(D) education
Base your answers to questions 33 and 34 on the map of New York State below and on your knowledge of social studies.

33 Which city is located closest to 44° N and 76° W?
   (A) Syracuse  (C) Watertown
   (B) Rochester  (D) Binghamton

34 Bill is in Rochester and is traveling directly to Olean. In which general direction is he going?
   (A) southwest  (C) northwest
   (B) southeast  (D) northeast
Base your answer to question 35 on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.

35 What is the name given to the line indicated by the number 6?
   (A) prime meridian  (B) equator
   (C) tropic of Capricorn  (D) tropic of Cancer

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From 1881 until 1920, almost 24 million immigrants came to the United States. While immigrants came from all over the world, the greatest number of them were from Europe. They traveled here on ships to Ellis Island in New York Harbor. Many immigrants made New York City their new home. Some looked for opportunities in other cities along the East Coast. Other immigrants traveled to the middle of the United States and worked as farmers.

1. What word is used to describe people who move from one country to live in another country? [1]

2. Give one reason people moved from Europe to the United States between the years 1881 and 1920. [1]

3. Which symbol of American freedom welcomed many of these people as they entered New York Harbor? [1]
Base your answers to questions 4 through 6 on the picture and the reading passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

If you had been growing up in the 1920s, your family might have been buying a radio for the first time. The radio was a new and exciting invention. It brought news from all over the world as well as music and other entertainment. Many families spent the evening listening to the radio, just as a family today might watch television together. During the 1920s, radio stations began to spring up in cities across the state. One of the first was WGY in Schenectady.

Source: F. Daniel Larkin, New York Yesterday and Today, Silver Burdett and Ginn, 1990
4 Based on the picture, what are two different ways that people entertained themselves in the 1920s? [2]

a __________________________ Score

b __________________________ Score

5 According to the passage, what was one way that radio changed the lives of American families in the 1920s? [1]

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Score

6 Give two different examples of how family entertainment in the home has changed since the 1920s. [2]

a ________________________________________________

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Score

b ________________________________________________

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Score
Today was my first day of work in Antarctica! After breakfast, I put on my outdoor clothing. In Antarctica, it is important to cover every part of the body when going outdoors. People here generally wear about five layers of clothing. The heat given off by a person’s body can be trapped between the layers of clothing to help keep a person warm. Nearly everyone in Antarctica wears a brightly colored parka [winter coat]. (My own is bright green!) People wear brightly colored clothes so that they can be easily seen in the blowing snow. I was warned to always wear sunglasses when going outdoors in Antarctica. Going without sunglasses could cause a person’s eyes to hurt for many days.

7  What is the purpose for wearing brightly colored clothing in Antarctica?  [1]

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Score

8  Why do people in Antarctica need to wear sunglasses?  [1]

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Score

9  How does clothing worn in Antarctica differ from clothing worn in a place near the equator?  [2]

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Score
Base your answers to questions 10 and 11 on the chart below, which lists the populations of the largest cities in New York State, and on your knowledge of social studies.

Largest City Populations in New York State, 1990

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<th>City</th>
<th>Population</th>
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<td>Buffalo</td>
<td>328,123</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mount Vernon</td>
<td>67,153</td>
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<tr>
<td>New Rochelle</td>
<td>67,265</td>
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<tr>
<td>New York City</td>
<td>7,322,564</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rochester</td>
<td>231,636</td>
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<tr>
<td>Schenectady</td>
<td>65,566</td>
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<tr>
<td>Syracuse</td>
<td>163,860</td>
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<tr>
<td>Utica</td>
<td>68,637</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yonkers</td>
<td>188,082</td>
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</table>

Source: U.S. Census, 1990

10 Which city in New York State has the third largest population? [1]

[ ]

11 Which two cities are closest in the size of their populations? [1]

[ ] and [ ]

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Part II Score ______
Maximum Total is 14 Points