The Progression of Transportation in Ohio Post-Assessment

(Write the letter of the best answer choice on the answer document)

1. Throughout history, the Ohio River has provided many resources for local populations. In which of the following ways have people utilized the river?
   A. Fishing
   B. Drinking Water
   C. Transportation
   D. All of the Above

2. To which major river system does the Ohio River flow?
   A. The Nile
   B. The Amazon
   C. The Mississippi
   D. The Snake

3. Which of the following is an example of a Native American cultural group that utilized the Ohio River long before Europeans arrived?
   A. The Inca
   B. The Hopewell
   C. The Apache
   D. The Hopi

4. The Ohio River is best characterized as an early...
   A. Highway
   B. Flood Control System
   C. City
   D. Burial Ground

5. Which of the following cities formed by settlers were founded along the banks of the Ohio River?
   A. Cleveland, Columbus, and Chillicothe
   B. Marietta, Steubenville, and Cincinnati
   C. Youngstown, Akron, and Canton
   D. Oxford, Mansfield, and Upper Sandusky

6. When was the first successful voyage of a steamboat?
   A. 1607
   B. 1707
   C. 1807
   D. 1907
7. Who is credited with applying the use of a steam engine to boat transportation?
   A. Milton Bradley  
   B. Eli Whitney  
   C. Garrett Morgan  
   D. Robert Fulton

8. What system did canal engineers use to overcome the elevation changes of the physical geography?
   A. Locks  
   B. Inclined plane ramps  
   C. Rope and pulley systems  
   D. Tunnels

9. The Ohio and Erie Canal System helped Ohioans and the Ohio economy in all of the following ways, except:
   A. It provided another form of transportation for people and goods.  
   B. Heavy loads of agricultural products could be moved faster than using wagons.  
   C. It made it possible for farmers to reach new markets.  
   D. It could easily be used year round.

10. Which railroad company has many of its main lines passing through Ohio by the mid-1800s?
    A. The Baltimore and Ohio  
    B. CSX  
    C. Norfolk Southern  
    D. The Reading

11. What was the goal of the Pacific Railroad Act of 1862?
    A. To standardize the gauge used for track construction in the United States.  
    B. To eliminate the need for canal transportation.  
    C. To win the Civil War  
    D. To create a national railroad system connecting the East to the West.
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Short Essay: (Please answer in complete sentences with restatements on the answer document)

12. Imagine you are a Native American living along the Ohio River before the arrival of European settlers. How might your life and use of the river be different from today, and how might it be the same as if you lived along the river today?

13. Why do you think cities tend to form along large bodies of water like lakes and rivers?

14. What were some of the drawbacks of early steamboats?

15. Produce and other agricultural products were once transported on canals. How do we transport these goods today?

16. Immigrant laborers were very important in the construction of both the canal and railroad systems. Why do you think immigrants chose to work on these difficult projects?

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