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**US History Week 1: Revolutionary Rise of Abolitionists and The Wounded Knee Massacre**

**Assignment directions:** Read the articles “The Revolutionary Rise of Abolitionists” and “The Wounded Knee Massacre”. Respond to the articles questions by either hand writing your answers on a piece of paper OR printing/editing this document. When you are done, upload your response paper(s) into Focus under the assignment title See page 3 of this document ([Uploading this assignment](#Uploading)) for instructions. Yes, this is a grade. Yes, these are review concepts. This is Due Friday, April 3rd, 2020.

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**SECTION I: The Revolutionary Rise of Abolitionists**

*Directions: ANSWERS SHOULD BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS COMPLETELY.*

1. What is abolitionism? When did Abolitionism reach its height?

Abolitionism was the movement to end slavery. The movement reached its height in the Civil War.

2. Why is the concept of slavery inconsistent with the American ideals of “Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness’?

Slavery took away these human rights that Americans were so passionate about. It is ironic that so many people fought for “Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness” yet the practice of slavery was so common.

3. Who founded the world’s first anti-slavery society?

In 1775, the “Quakers” in Philadelphia founded the world’s first anti-slavery society.

4. How does the American Revolution relate to the outlawing of slavery (specifically in the North)?

The American Revolution was the breaking of the United States from Great Britain as they declared independence. This relates to the outlawing of slavery in the North because many Northerners saw slavery as another unacceptable event that should be put to an end.

5. How did some slaves earn their freedom during the American Revolution?

During the American Revolution, the British Army freed many slaves to destroy the colonial economy. Slaves were also promised freedom if they agreed to fight for the American cause.

6. Why were some people in America in the early 1800s opposed to abolitionism?

Some Americans in the early 1800s opposed Abolitionism because of how radical it had become. Early Abolitionists supported a gradual end to slavery using calmer practices. Later Abolitionists demanded an immediate end to slavery and were not afraid to use violence to get it.

7. What are the economic advantages and disadvantages of slavery according to the text?

According to the text, some economic advantages of slavery were the growth of the cotton industry and just economic benefits in general. The disadvantages were the guilt and disgust associated with slavery.

**SECTION 2: “The Wounded Knee Massacre”**

*Directions: ANSWERS SHOULD BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS COMPLETELY.*

1. What was the Wounded Knee Massacre?

The Wounded Knee Massacre is regarded as the final battle of the American Indian Wars. It was a cruel attack on Native Americans led by American soldiers.

2. What caused the Wounded Knee Massacre?

Tension and fear between the United States and the Sioux caused the Wounded Knee Massacre.

 3. What was the result of the Wounded Knee Massacre?

After the Wounded Knee Massacre, Indians had been put on reservations to become Christian farmers and the American Indian Wars came to an end.

4. Why did Native Americans practice the Ghost Dance?

The Native Americans practiced the Ghost Dance because it promised to restore the way of life of their ancestors.

5. Give two reasons the Sioux were angry and worried about their future?

The Sioux were angry and worried about their future because over a third of their cattle had died by disease and the federal government had cut their food rations.

6. Why was Sitting Bull arrested?

Sitting Bull was arrested because American generals feared the Ghost Dance that his followers were performing would lead to a Sioux uprising.

7. Why did General Nelson seek a court martial for US Army troops involved in the Wounded Knee Massacre?

General Nelson sought a court martial for US Army troops involved in the Wounded Knee Massacre because he believed the event was “cruel and unjustifiable”.

8. How did the massacre end the Indian Wars?

The massacre ended the Indian Wars because that day people’s dreams had died. That was the last major confrontation because the Plains Indians lost their hope.

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