Multiple Choice Assessment

Fill in the letter of the response that best answers each question.

1. Which of the following had the biggest influence on the culture of Coastal People?
   - A The Plateau People
   - B The summer months
   - C The Pacific Ocean
   - D The Makah

2. In what way was the Plateau way of life similar to the Coastal way of life?
   - A Both groups used natural resources for food, shelter, and clothing.
   - B Both groups spoke Salish.
   - C Both groups lived in homes of cedar.
   - D Both groups relied on ocean for food.

3. What was a common reason for the Coastal and Plateau people to interact?
   - A To learn tribal dances
   - B To exchange recipes
   - C To build houses together
   - D To trade with each other

4. What brought people other than Indians to the Pacific Northwest?
   - A The first non-Indian people came to this region to share their religion.
   - B The first non-Indian people came to this region to explore while in search of the Northwest Passage.
   - C The first non-Indian people came to this region in search of gold and silver.
   - D The first non-Indian people came to this region to trade with Indians for fine silks.

5. Which explorer was the first to enter the Columbia River?
   - A Christopher Columbus
   - B Juan De Fuca
   - C James Cook
   - D Robert Gray

6. Why did Lewis and Clark embark on an expedition of the Louisiana Purchase?
   - A To share their religion and way of life
   - B To open a fur-trading fort in the West
   - C To explore the newest addition of land to the United States
   - D To have an adventure

7. Which of the following statements about the fur trade is not true?
   - A Fur trading became big because women in the East wanted the furs for blankets.
   - B Fur trading was the biggest business along the Pacific Coast in the early 1800s.
   - C The animals in demand were trapped almost to extinction.
   - D Beaver pelts were used to make top hats for men in Europe and in the United States.

8. Why did Christian missionaries have limited success in converting Indians to Christianity?
   - A No Christian missionaries wanted to move into the unfamiliar Northwest.
   - B Indians interacted with Christian missionaries who came to the Northwest.
   - C Many Indians wanted to keep their way of life and religion.
   - D The missionaries and Indians had no way of understanding one another's languages.
1. Why did pioneers follow the Oregon Trail?
   A. It was the most beautiful trail.
   B. It had been opened up by travelers who had gone before.
   C. It was completely flat the whole way to the Northwest.
   D. It was short. Travelers could arrive in just one week.

2. Which of the following is not a reason why pioneers came west on the Oregon Trail?
   A. To see new country and have an adventure
   B. Good farmland was available for a low cost.
   C. To escape the problems of slavery
   D. They were kicked out of the East and forced to move west.

3. Why did small towns and cities begin to pop up?
   A. Every last piece of farmland was taken, so towns and cities were the only choice.
   B. People settled where they could sell goods or offer services to settlers on farms.
   C. Settlers wanted the lifestyle of a city and wanted nothing to do with farms.
   D. Over the years, people lost the skills required to farm and had to find other jobs to do.

4. What were some of the hardships pioneers faced?
   A. Pioneers faced diseases with no help from doctors.
   B. There were no animals available to hunt for food.
   C. Natural resources in the area were mostly used up.
   D. There was no mail service to the region.

5. Which of the following was not an industry that sprang up during the settlement of the Northwest?
   A. Lumber
   B. Whaling
   C. Clothing
   D. Mining (gold/coal/silver)

6. How were disputes between Britain and the United States settled after the war of 1812?
   A. The countries went to war for a third time.
   B. The United States convinced Britain to give them all the disputed land.
   C. Britain convinced the United States to give them all the disputed land.
   D. Disputes were settled by coming to an agreement with treaties.

7. What is Manifest Destiny?
   A. The belief that Americans were to spread their political and religious values to others.
   B. The belief that Americans were to spread their political values to others.
   C. The belief that Americans were to spread their religious values to others.
   D. The belief that the newly found lands were for all to share equally.

8. Why was Washington Territory created in 1853?
   A. Settlers north of the Columbia River didn't agree with the leaders of the Oregon Territory.
   B. Settlers north of the Columbia River wanted a government that wasn't so far away.
   C. Settlers north of the Columbia River wanted to be ruled by the government of Britain.
   D. Settlers north of the Columbia River didn't like the name of the Oregon Territory.