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1. What is the economic term used for the skills and the hours worked by the people who make a good, or produce a service?

- A. investment
  - B. capital
  - C. market
  - D. labor
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2. Labor unions became more active in the United States in the late 1800s and early 1900s. What was one of the main goals of labor unions?

- A. to buy factories in order to provide more jobs
  - B. to shorten work hours
  - C. to make goods less expensive
  - D. to provide more jobs for women and children
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3. During World War II, the Axis powers fought MAINLY to

- A. defend democracy and freedom worldwide.
  - B. gain power over all the nations they could defeat.
  - C. protect their borders from invasion by the Allied powers.
  - D. spread nationalism to countries where it was not allowed.
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4. For years, the main source of energy in United States was coal. By the 1920s, many Americans were beginning to use oil, natural gas, and electricity. Why was electricity so popular?

- A. Coal was no longer being mined.
  - B. It could be generated at home.
  - C. Oil and natural gas were too expensive.
  - D. It was now available and affordable.
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5. The Constitution of the United States divides the federal government into three branches. It also includes the principle of checks and balances. Why?

- A. It limits the president of the United States to two terms.
  - B. It puts term limits on senators and representatives.
  - C. Each branch limits the powers of the other two branches.
  - D. Each branch can elect members of the other two branches.
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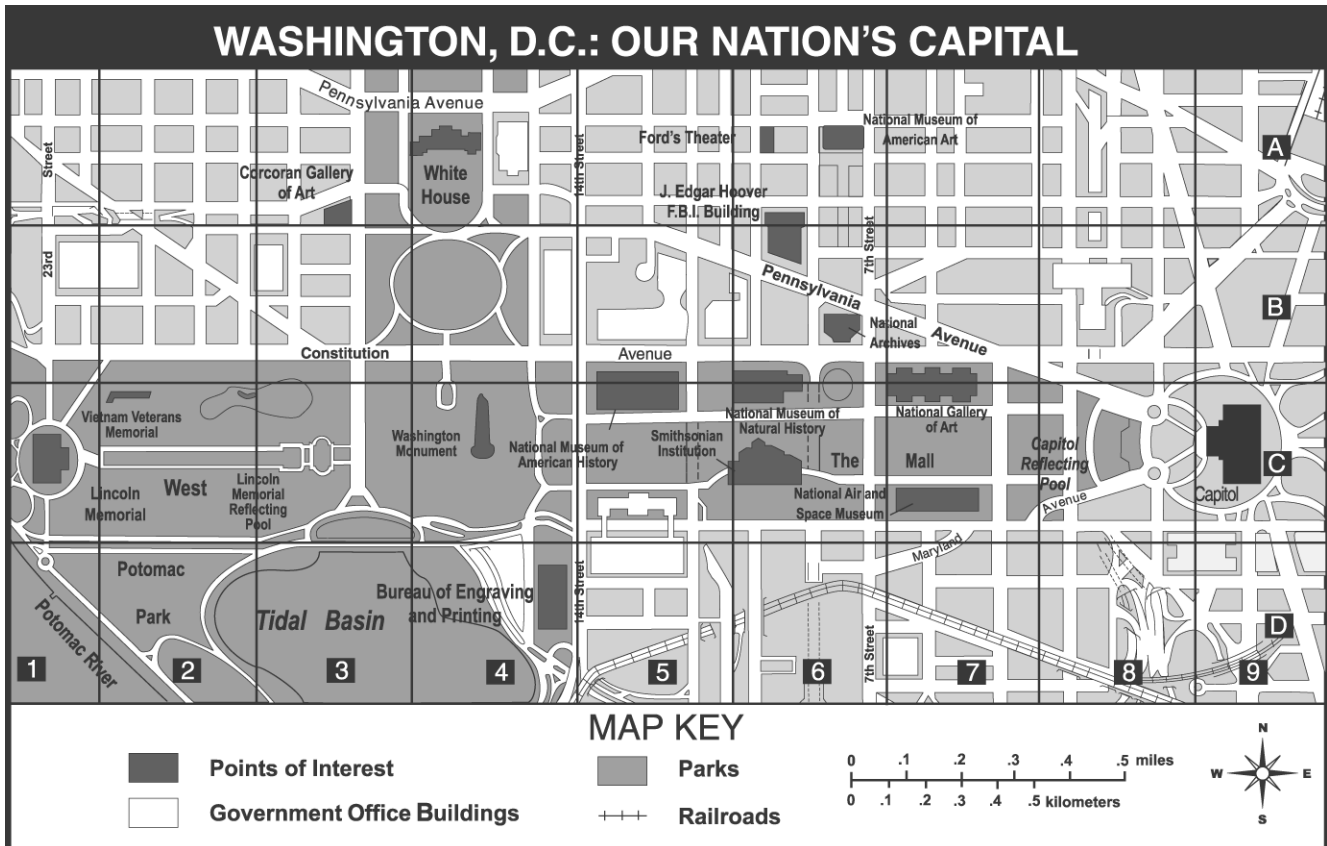
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Use the map of Washington, D.C., below to answer question 6.



6. What landmark is located directly south of the White House?

- A. the Capitol
- B. the Lincoln Memorial
- C. the Washington Monument
- D. the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

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7. After the Civil War began with the surrender of Ft. Sumter, both sides were busy raising and training their armies. The first major land battle of the war took place near Washington, D.C. This was the First Battle of

- A. Bull Run.
  - B. Antietam.
  - C. Gettysburg.
  - D. Richmond.
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8. Uncle Tom's Cabin was published in 1852. What was the impact of this book on the American public?

- A. It marked the beginning of the Civil War.
  - B. It reduced the threat of violence against slaves.
  - C. It led Congress to pass the Missouri Compromise.
  - D. It convinced many people that slavery was morally wrong.
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9. One of the most important rights and privileges of United States citizens is voting. How would voting lead to political change?

- A. Voting raises money for the government.
  - B. Voting ensures that people belong to a political party.
  - C. Voting keeps the same people in office for life.
  - D. Voting leads to putting new and different people in office.
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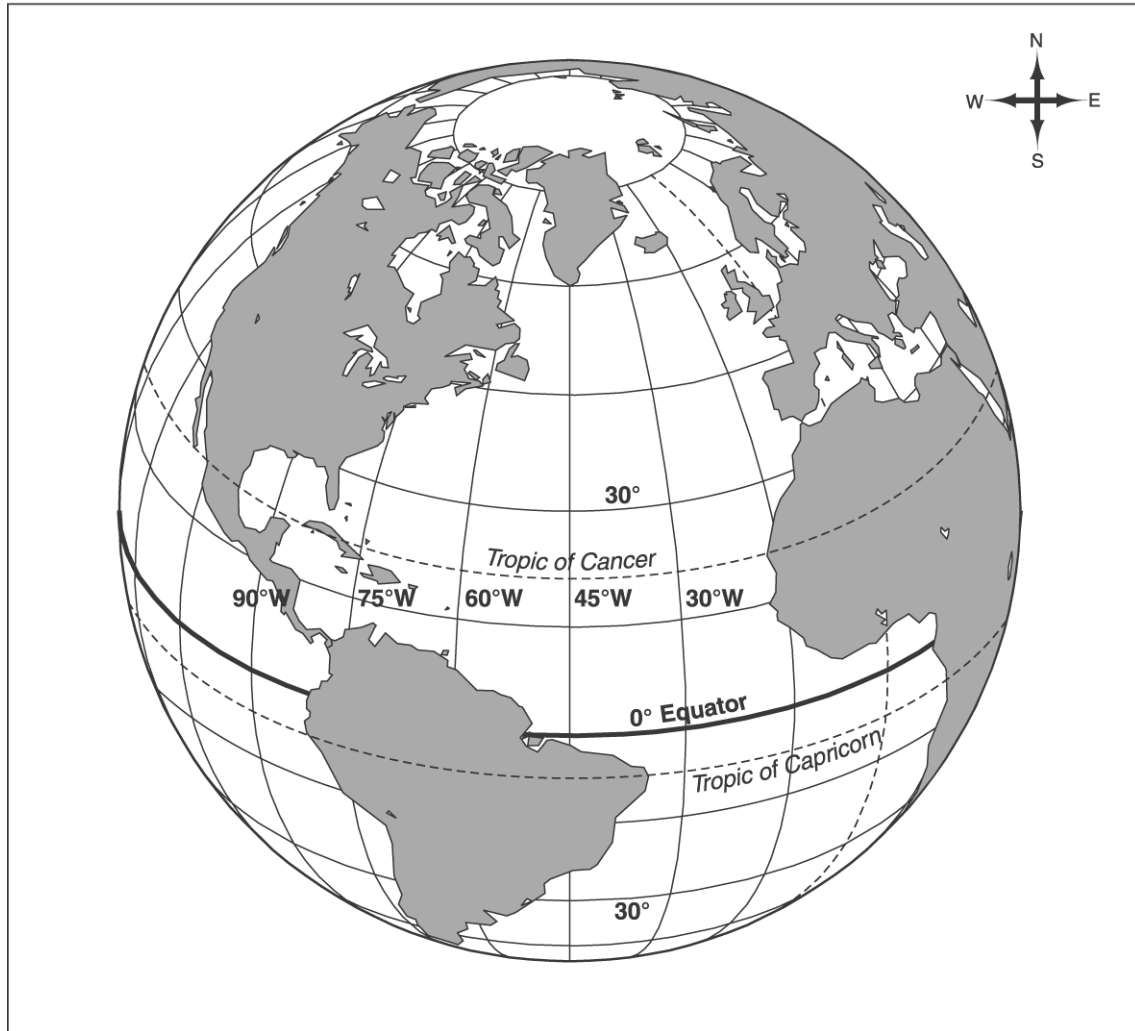
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Use the map below to answer question 10.

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10. The tropic of Cancer, the equator, and the tropic of Capricorn are all

- A. parallels.
- B. prime meridians.
- C. longitudes.
- D. cardinal directions.

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11. In the years before and after the Civil War, many people went west to try and become rich by mining for gold, silver, and copper. Which of the following would have been true at this time?

- A. Most of the miners worked in large mining operations and were paid a salary.
  - B. Most of the miners struck it rich, which led to more people moving west.
  - C. Most of the miners worked by themselves or in small groups, with few of them striking it rich.
  - D. Most of the miners bought land from Native Americans to search for metals.
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12. One of the most important world leaders during the twentieth century was Winston Churchill. Who was Winston Churchill?

- A. a business leader who started the Standard Oil Company
  - B. the vice president of the United States under Roosevelt
  - C. the Prime Minister of Great Britain during World War II
  - D. a general in the British army during World War II
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13. The number of immigrants coming to the United States increased greatly during the late 1800s. Which of the following was true about these immigrants?

- A. Many immigrants had a difficult time fitting into America.
  - B. Most immigrants avoided the cities because of overcrowding and poor living conditions.
  - C. Immigrants were usually welcomed by Americans and quickly became part of America.
  - D. Many programs were started by the government to help immigrants become Americans.
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14. Americans from all over the country helped the war effort during World War II. Which statement describes one way people in Georgia helped?

- A. Georgia forced all adult males to join the military.
  - B. The number of farms in Georgia increased.
  - C. Georgia forced all women to work in factories.
  - D. Savannah became an important shipbuilding center.
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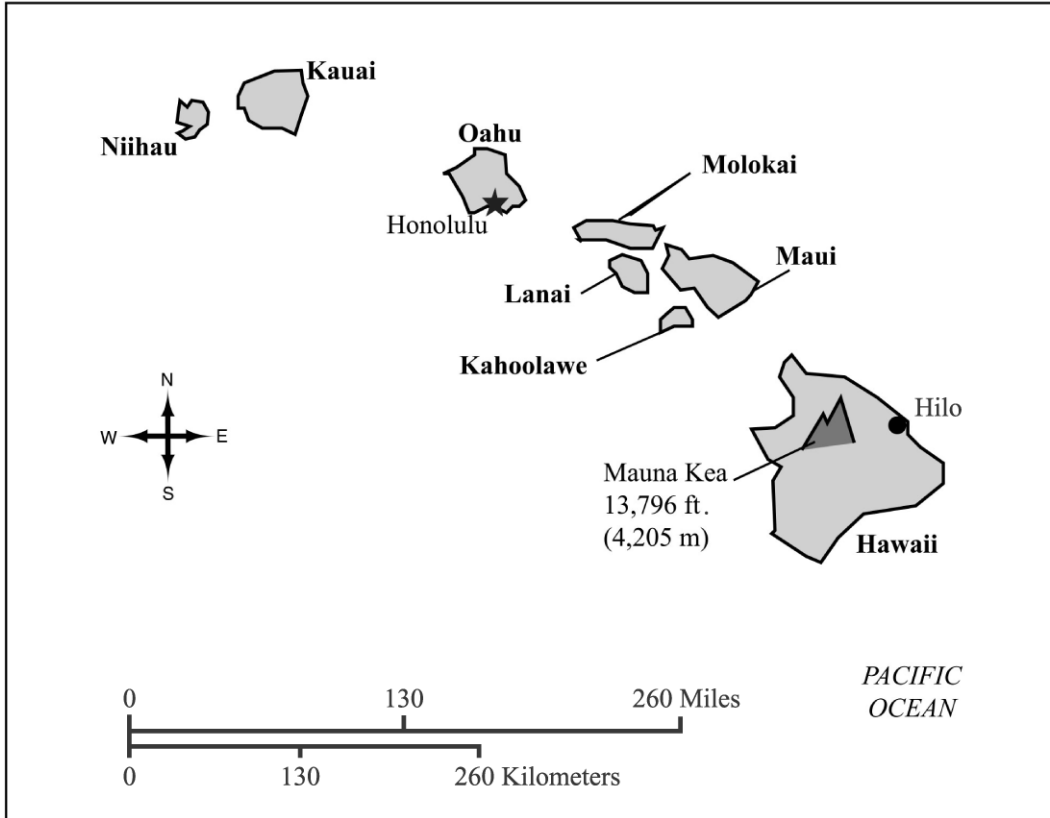
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Study the series of events in the boxes below to answer question 15.

### HAWAII



KEY	
★	State capital
●	City
▲	Mountain peak



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These events are in chronological order. Which event continues the series in chronological order?

- A. World War II.
  - B. Cold War.
  - C. World War I.
  - D. Vietnam War.
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16. Many of the Native Americans who lived on the Great Plains were nomadic people. Why did they move from place to place?

- A. They were finding new areas to mine.
  - B. They were looking for fertile lands to farm.
  - C. They were trapping fur-bearing animals.
  - D. They were following the buffalo to hunt.
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17. "Factors of production" is the term used for the elements needed to produce goods and services. Which factor of production is the term used to describe natural resources?

- A. land
  - B. labor
  - C. capital
  - D. consumption
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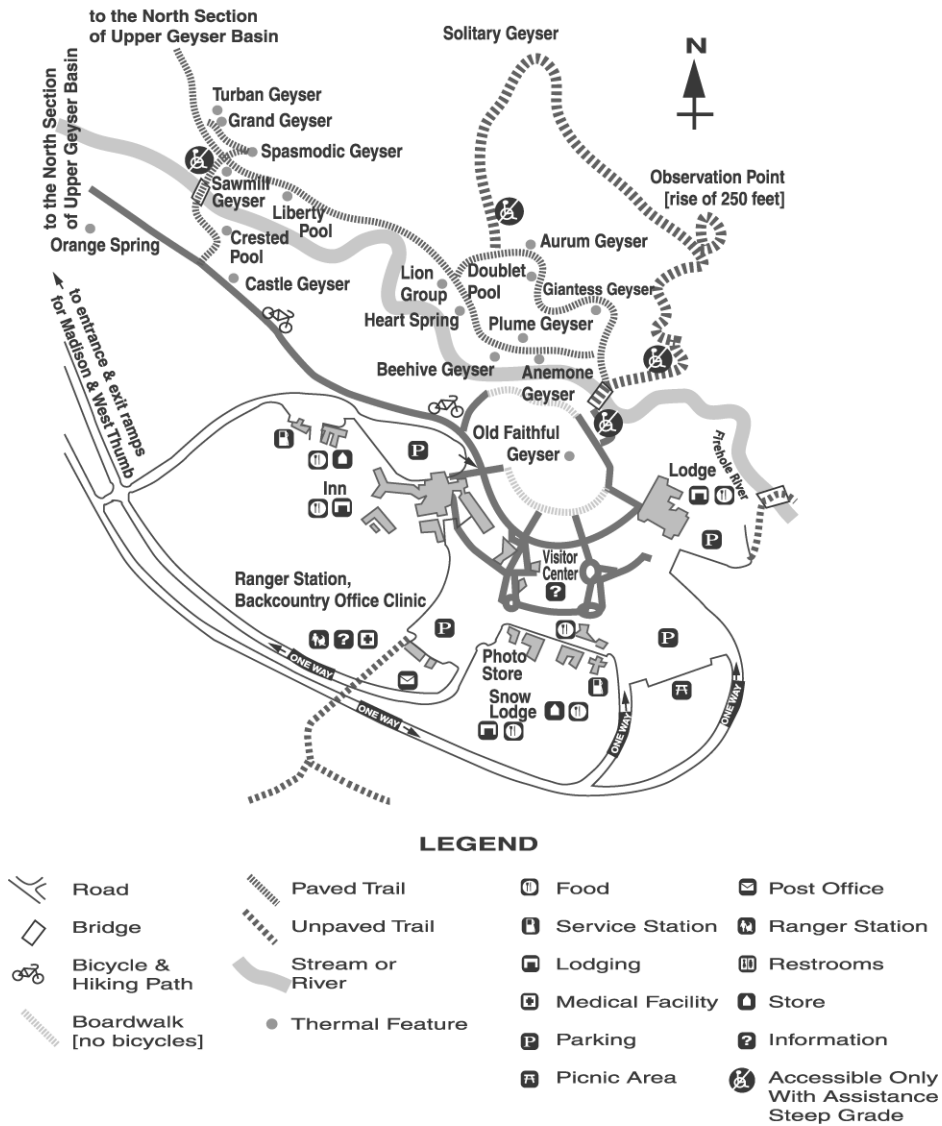
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Use the map below to answer question 18.

### YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK



18. Which of the following is found at the Ranger Station?

- A. a store
- B. restrooms
- C. a picnic area

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D. a medical facility

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19. As World War II came to an end, Allied forces entered areas that had been under the control of Germany. They saw concentration camps that were used to

- A. kill Jewish people.
  - B. retrain soldiers.
  - C. build secret weapons.
  - D. store food and weapons.
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20. There were a number of important leaders during World War II, such as Josef Stalin. Who was Josef Stalin?

- A. an Italian dictator during World War II
  - B. a military advisor to Hitler during World War II
  - C. a British general during World War II
  - D. a dictator of the Soviet Union during World War II
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21. When the stock market crashed in 1929, Herbert Hoover was president of the United States. The president who followed President Hoover began the New Deal, a program to help people during the Great Depression. This president was

- A. Warren Harding.
  - B. Calvin Coolidge.
  - C. Franklin Roosevelt.
  - D. Harry Truman.
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22. One major problem facing the world today is the pollution of the soil, water, and air. Which of the following is the BEST action people can take to reduce pollution?

- A. recycling paper and plastics
  - B. traveling more often
  - C. exercising on a regular basis
  - D. using garbage bags
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23. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Rosa Parks were part of what movement in the 1950s and 1960s?

- A. the free silver movement
  - B. the civil rights movement
  - C. the urban renewal movement
  - D. the anti-immigration movement
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Use the map below to answer question 24.

## Time Zones



24. The United States is divided into time zones. If it is 8:00 a.m. in New York City, what time is it in Los Angeles, California?

- A. 4:00 a.m.
- B. 5:00 a.m.
- C. 6:00 a.m.
- D. 7:00 a.m.

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25. The two major sides in World War II were the Allies and the Axis powers. Italy was one of the Axis powers. Who was Italy's leader?

- A. Benito Mussolini
  - B. Winston Churchill
  - C. Joseph Stalin
  - D. Adolph Hitler
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*Read the list below and answer question 26.*

- Gulf of Tonkin Resolution
- Antiwar protests in the United States
- Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon
- Ho Chi Minh
- Hanoi and Saigon

26. The list is associated with which war?

- A. World War II
  - B. Korean
  - C. Vietnam
  - D. Persian Gulf
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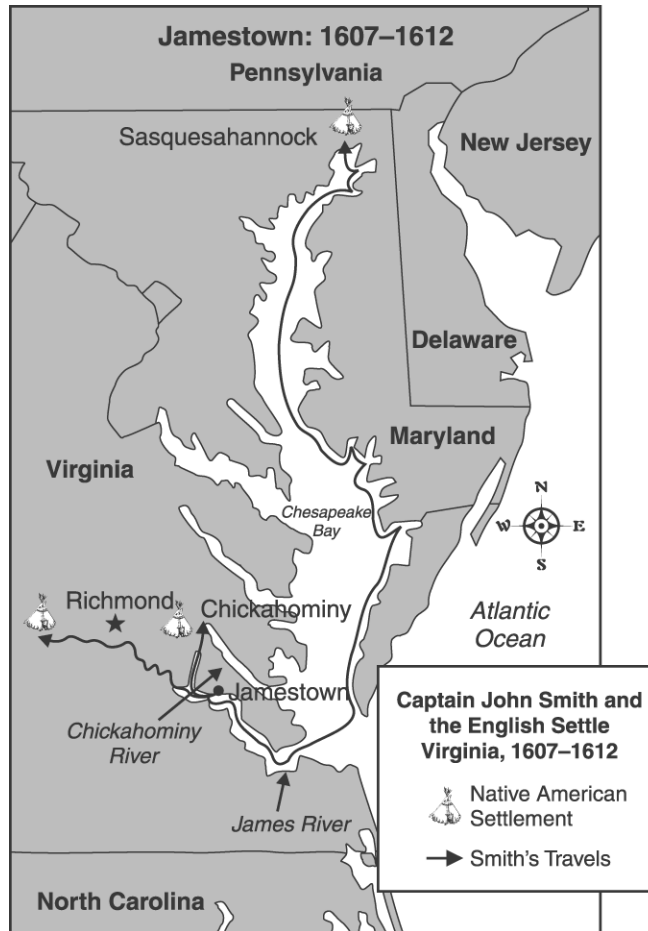
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Use the map below to answer question 27.



27. Based on the information on the map, which of the following is true?

- A. Jamestown, Virginia is located on the James River in the northern part of the United States.
- B. Jamestown, Virginia is located on Chesapeake Bay.
- C. Jamestown, Virginia is located on the James River and in the eastern part of the United States.
- D. Jamestown, Virginia is on the western coast of the United States.

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28. How did migrant farm workers win safer and better paying work after World War II?

- A. by working longer hours
  - B. through investments in their own farms
  - C. by finding jobs in urban industries
  - D. through the use of strikes, boycotts, and marches
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29. President Harry S. Truman decided to use atomic bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Truman did this

- A. as a political experiment.
  - B. as a scientific experiment.
  - C. as revenge for Pearl Harbor and to gain votes.
  - D. to save the lives of American soldiers and end the war.
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30. The United States space exploration program that began in the 1960s caused which of these industries to grow rapidly?

- A. automobile
  - B. petroleum
  - C. computer
  - D. chemical
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