

Use the excerpt and your knowledge of social studies to answer the following question.

Fourteenth Amendment
(ratified July 1868)

Section 1

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36. According to the passage above, why was the 14th Amendment important?

- A it abolished slavery and defined citizenship
- B it defined citizenship and restricted federal power
- C it protected states' rights and restricted federal power
- D it restricted federal power and abolished slavery

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37. At the time, the major purpose of these provisions of the Fourteenth Amendment was to -

- A limit the power of the federal government
- B expand the civil rights of women
- C maintain competition in business
- D protect the rights of African Americans

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Citizenship Granted
for All
Born in the United
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38. Which of the following amendments would have prompted the headline?

- A Thirteenth Amendment
- B Fourteenth Amendment
- C Fifteenth Amendment
- D Seventeenth Amendment

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The right to vote cannot be denied to citizens because of their race or color or because they were once enslaved.

39. What amendment is this excerpt from?

- A** Twenty-sixth Amendment
- B** Nineteenth Amendment
- C** Fifteenth Amendment
- D** Fourteenth Amendment

Use the information in the box and your knowledge of social studies to answer the following question.

- Abolished slavery and allowed government to protect the civil rights of African Americans in areas of the United States where certain states refused to do so
- Provided constitutional protection to African Americans and their civil rights
- Defined citizenship and the rights citizens shall be afforded by their government

40. The items in the box refer to which of the following amendments?

- A** 13 and 14
- B** 14 and 15
- C** 15 and 17
- D** 17 and 23

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41. The Fourteenth Amendment was added to the U.S. Constitution for what purpose?

- A** to abolish slavery
- B** to define citizenship
- C** to protect states' rights
- D** to define voting rights

42. Which of the following was NOT a result of the transcontinental railroad?

- A** increase of population moving from east to west
- B** decrease in transportation of goods from the East Coast to the West Coast
- C** decline of buffalo herds in the Great Plains
- D** increased speed of mail service between the coasts