The Abolitionist Movement Name_____ Period_____

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https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/abolitionist-movement

As you read through the article on the Abolitionist Movement, answer the questions in the space provided.

1. What is an abolitionist?

2. How were the goals of abolitionists different from those such as the Free Soil Party?

3. The American Colonization Society was created in 1816. What idea did they support in the early 1800s?

Click the BLUE underlined words "Missouri Compromise"

4. Why did the Missouri Territory's petition for statehood in 1818 setoff a huge debate in Congress? Explain your answer.

5. What did Rep. James Tallmadge propose with regard to the Missouri Territory? What happened to his proposal?

6. What were the TWO main parts of the Missouri Compromise? Which member of Congress negotiated this deal?

7. How did the Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854 impact the Missouri Compromise? What was "popular sovereignty"?

8. How did the Supreme Court's ruling in the Dred Scott case (1857) impact the Missouri Compromise?

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9. What did the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850 require?

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10. In the article, there are 7 abolitionists listed and discussed. Pick 2 of them and write a short paragraph explaining how they fought to end slavery.

11. In the southern states, supporting the Abolitionist Movement was illegal.

A. What did President Andrew Jackson (a southerner) do to undermine the support of the Abolitionists?

B. Who was Amos Dresser? What happened to him?

12. In 1837, what happened to Elijah Lovejoy?

13. How did the debate over slavery in the Kansas Territory lead to a violent clash? (This becomes known as Bleeding Kansas.)

Using Google, look up the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments.

14. Explain what each amendment does.

A. 13th Amendment =

B. 14th Amendment =

C. 15th Amendment =

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