

A New Nation: The United States of America

Time and Change

1. Turn to pages ~~40-50~~³²⁻³³ of the Atlas. Read the overview. Also compare the map “North America, 1783” with the map “North America, 1763” on page 37. Write **T** if the statement is true and **F** if the statement is false.
 - a. The United States was officially recognized in 1783. _____
 - b. The western boundary of the United States was the Appalachian Mountains.

 - c. Spain gained territory after the Revolutionary War. _____
 - d. More of North America was claimed in 1783 than in 1763. _____
 - e. The U.S. Constitution was written in 1781. _____

★ Places, Regions, and Landscapes

2. Look at the map “Western Land Claims.” Also look at the graph “A Small Population” and the picture on page ~~30~~³². Use the information to answer the following questions.
 - a. Which two states had the largest land claims in the West?

 - b. Which five states had no claims in the West? _____

 - c. How many people lived in the United States in 1790? _____
 - d. Was the West densely populated in 1781? _____
 - e. Who actually lived in the West? _____

People and Cultures

3. Look at the graph “People of the New Nation.” Use the information to complete the following sentences.
 - a. The largest ethnic group in the United States was the _____.
 - b. The second largest group was the _____.
 - c. Germans made up _____ percent of the population.

🗺️ Location

4. Look at the maps “Western Land Claims” and “United States.” Match the new territory or state with the states that previously claimed it.

New Territory or State

Previous State Claims

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| <p>a. Territory South of Ohio River •</p> <p>b. Northwest Territory •</p> <p>c. Vermont •</p> | <p>• New York, North Carolina
South Carolina, Georgia</p> <p>• New York, New Hampshire</p> <p>• Virginia, New York, Massachusetts,
Connecticut</p> |
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🗺️ Thinking About History

5. Look at the map “Slavery in the New Nation.” Also look at the graph “People of the New Nation” and the picture on page 33. Use the information to complete the following paragraph.

African Americans made up _____ percent of the population of the United States in 1790. _____ states began to abolish slavery after the Revolution. By 1800, north of Maryland, only two states— _____ and _____—had a slave population over 1%. South of Pennsylvania, only the states of _____, _____, and _____ had a slave population of less than 30%. Slavery also expanded into western territories. The _____ Territory had a slave population over 30% in 1800. Most of the slaves in these southern states and territories worked on _____.

🗺️ History Through Maps

6. Look again at the map “Slavery in the New Nation.” Use the information to rank the states from lowest to highest percentage of slaves in the population.

State	Percent of Slaves
a. Massachusetts	_____
b. New Jersey	_____
c. Tennessee	_____
d. North Carolina	_____
e. Georgia	_____