

**Question 17**  
**Benchmark A**  
**Spring 2005**

As British rule in India came to an end, violence sparked by religious differences between Hindus and Muslims led to the decision by Britain to divide the country into Hindu India and Muslim Pakistan. However, after the partition, many Muslims still lived within the borders of Hindu India.

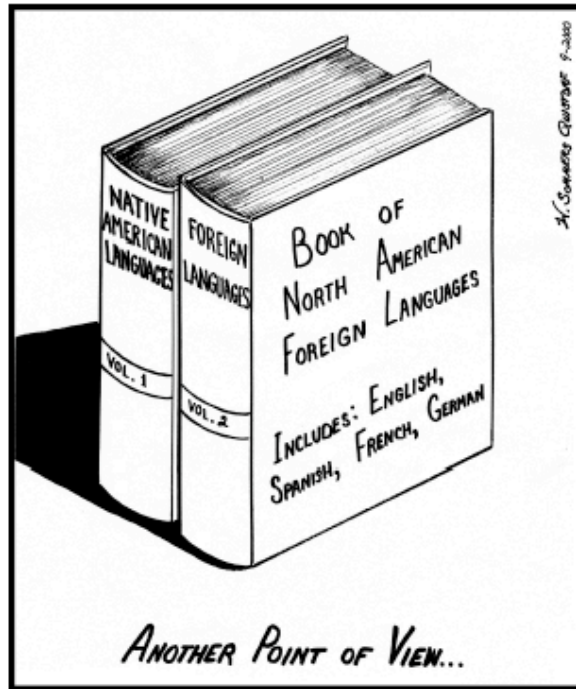
The perception of Hindus and Muslims that the cultural differences between them were greater than their similarities led to

- A. invasion by neighboring countries.
- B. a return to British rule to establish order.
- C. continued violence and many refugees.
- D. the end of democratic government in India.

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**Question 41**  
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Use the following cartoon to answer question 41.



41. The above cartoon appeared in *Indian Country Today*, a Native American newspaper. This cartoon reflects the perspective that Native American cultures existed in North America before the arrival of Europeans.

This perspective has inspired Native American groups to

- A. abandon native languages.
- B. celebrate Native American culture.
- C. abandon traditional fishing and hunting methods.
- D. avoid serving in the armed forces of the United States.

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**Question 10**  
**Benchmark A**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

The proposal by Great Britain to grant Indian independence in 1947 drew opposition from Muslim leaders. Their view was that they were denied a voice in the Hindu-dominated independence movement. As a result, Indian Muslims wanted

- A. a separate independent Muslim country.
- B. the continuation of British rule until differences could be resolved.
- C. an independent India dominated by Muslims.
- D. the forced evacuation of Hindus from India.

**Question 22**  
**Benchmark A**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

After World War II, Germany was divided into two nations, East Germany and West Germany. Though they remained politically divided for over forty years, the people of these two nations shared a common cultural heritage. Which action was influenced by this cultural heritage?

- A. West Germany joined NATO in 1955.
- B. East Germany joined the Warsaw Pact in 1955.
- C. The people of East Germany supported reunification with West Germany.
- D. The people of West Germany supported withdrawing from the United Nations.

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**Question 4**  
**Benchmark B**  
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The concepts of equality and democracy were basic to the U.S. Constitution. Yet many Americans in the 19th century did not consider Indian nations worthy of concern or protection. This resulted in discrimination and conflict between European settlers and Native Americans.

For example, many Native Americans were

- A. displaced from their former homelands.
- B. prevented from trading with European settlers.
- C. forced to maintain their cultural heritage.
- D. persecuted for killing buffalo on the Great Plains.

**Question 30**  
**Benchmark B**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

To encourage western settlement, the Homestead Act of 1862 offered free land, primarily on the Great Plains, to anyone who would live on it and cultivate it for at least five years. By 1900, over 400,000 families had taken advantage of the offer. Although the federal government had signed treaties with the Indian nations living in these areas, no effort was made to honor them.

Identify two consequences of these contacts between the new settlers and Native Americans during the late 1800s. Write your answer in the **Answer Document**. (2 points)

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**Question 35**  
**Benchmark B**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

Jim Crow laws, which were passed in Southern states following Reconstruction, were intended to

- A. support the goals of the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments.
- B. encourage African-Americans to buy their own farms.
- C. provide basic education to former slaves.
- D. institute racial segregation.

**Question 1**  
**Benchmark C**  
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In recent years, the Spanish language has become more common in the United States, with ballots and signs in government buildings printed in English and Spanish.

This is the result of increased

- A. immigration from Mexico and other Latin American nations.
- B. awareness of the religion of Mexico and other Latin American nations.
- C. international commitments in Mexico and other Latin American nations.
- D. agreements lowering trade barriers with Mexico and other Latin American nations.

**Question 24**  
**Benchmark C**  
**Spring 2005**

Satellite-based communication systems allow people to communicate more easily. This increases the interdependence of nations around the world.

Describe how another advance in global communications or transportation contributes to the exchange of cultural practices. Write your answer in the **Answer Document**. (2 points)

**Question 14**  
**Benchmark C**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

How did technological innovations of the late 20th century, such as communications satellites and the Internet, contribute to the exchange of cultural practices?

- A. They improved the efficiency of local governments.
- B. They reduced economic inequality among nations.
- C. They decreased the need for international cooperation.
- D. They increased opportunities to exchange information and ideas.

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**Question 32**  
**Benchmark C**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Practice 2004**

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, many immigrants who came to the United States did not speak English as their native language. One way this resulted in the exchange of cultural practices was that

- A. most people were able to speak several languages fluently.
- B. people from other countries tended to remain culturally isolated.
- C. people without knowledge of English were not allowed to immigrate.
- D. words from other languages entered into the mainstream vocabulary.