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##### Section 1 Formation of Alabama's Government

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 163 - 174 to complete the following.

1. The future \_\_\_\_\_ of Alabama was then [in early 1800s] a part of the Mississippi Territory.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ Natchez on the Mississippi River.
3. The settlers \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ that was \_\_\_\_\_ to them.
4. They needed a place to make their land \_\_\_\_\_.
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a legal document that proves who owns the land.
6. On March 3, 1817, \_\_\_\_\_ passed an act to make \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ territory.
7. President James Monroe chose William Wyatt \_\_\_\_\_ of Georgia as \_\_\_\_\_ of the new territory.
8. The Alabama Territory's \_\_\_\_\_ was made up of 13 men.
9. Governor Bibb asked the \_\_\_\_\_ (people serving in the legislature) to help set up good \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ transportation.
10. The legislature passed a law to conduct a \_\_\_\_\_ (an official count) of the Alabama Territory.
11. A territory had to have \_\_\_\_\_ people before it could ask to \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.

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12. By 1819, the \_\_\_\_\_ had grown to 127,901. The legislature then \_\_\_\_\_ the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ to make the Alabama \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.
13. They [legislature] decided the state \_\_\_\_\_ should be in Dallas County.
14. On March 2, 1819, Congress said \_\_\_\_\_ could \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ constitution \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ branches.
16. These three parts are the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ branches.
17. The legislative branch \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Alabama's legislature is made up of the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
19. The executive branch sees that the \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_.
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the head of the executive branch.
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the judicial branch \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
22. In September 1819, the \_\_\_\_\_ of Alabama \_\_\_\_\_.
23. They \_\_\_\_\_ members of the first state \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.
24. Bibb [territorial governor - was elected] took the \_\_\_\_\_ (pledge) of office as \_\_\_\_\_ in Huntsville on November 9, 1819.

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25. On December 14, 1819, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the United States  
\_\_\_\_\_ Alabama a \_\_\_\_\_.
26. Statehood meant that Alabama could \_\_\_\_\_ to  
\_\_\_\_\_.
27. Since Cahaba was centrally located, it seemed a good choice for the  
\_\_\_\_\_. (The first legislators agreed to place the capital in Huntsville  
because there was not a town located at Cahaba.)
28. Governor Bibb was asked to \_\_\_\_\_ the new \_\_\_\_\_.
29. \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the lots in the town was used to  
\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_ capitol.
30. A \_\_\_\_\_ is the building in which the legislature meets.
31. Thomas Bibb was governor in 1820 when the capital was \_\_\_\_\_ from  
Huntsville. Some buildings in Cahaba were still not finished.
32. But the two-story, brick Alabama State Capitol with its round top, or \_\_\_\_\_,  
was ready for use.
33. This time in Alabama's history is known as "the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_."
34. Many people built \_\_\_\_\_ in Cahaba. These houses got  
their water from \_\_\_\_\_ (flowing) \_\_\_\_\_.
35. Cahaba's location near two \_\_\_\_\_ caused problems.
36. In 1825, heavy \_\_\_\_\_ caused the Cahaba and Alabama rivers to rise and  
\_\_\_\_\_ the town.

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37. The water \_\_\_\_\_ the first floor of the new \_\_\_\_\_.

38. The Capitol began to \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the floodwaters.

39. The legislature decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ again.

40. Then they [legislature] voted to make \_\_\_\_\_ the new capital.

41. By 1846, \_\_\_\_\_ people had settled in the eastern part of Alabama.

42. These new settlers wanted the capital \_\_\_\_\_ to them.

43. \_\_\_\_\_ was to be the new capital.

44. By 1851, the \_\_\_\_\_ had been \_\_\_\_\_ [due to a fire that destroyed the building] using plans of the original building.

45. The \_\_\_\_\_ (round, domed section) of the Capitol rises three stories with two sets of spiral stairs.

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##### Section 2 Transportation

Directions: Use the information from pages 176 - 180 to complete the following.

1. When Alabama was a young state, people \_\_\_\_\_ by both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Roads were \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and often full of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The legislature \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ about \_\_\_\_\_ for the roads.
4. It [law] said that all men between the ages of 18 and 45 had to \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ 10 days each year.
5. Delivering the \_\_\_\_\_ was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ government.
6. So Congress and the postal service decided which \_\_\_\_\_ would be \_\_\_\_\_ roads.
7. Post roads were roads over which the \_\_\_\_\_ (post) was carried.
8. At first, men on \_\_\_\_\_ carried the mail. But it was not long before \_\_\_\_\_ were used as mail carriers.
9. Before white men arrived, American \_\_\_\_\_ used Alabama's \_\_\_\_\_ and creeks to travel by \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Later, \_\_\_\_\_ traveled the waterways in flatboats and keelboats.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ were about 40 feet long and 12 feet wide.

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12. Their wide, flat bottoms allowed them to operate in \_\_\_\_\_ waters.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ were able to go upstream as well as downstream, although not easily.
14. Some keelboats had \_\_\_\_\_. On some, men with \_\_\_\_\_ or oars moved the boats. People walking along the bank sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ the keelboats with long \_\_\_\_\_.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ were a new and easier means of transportation.
16. Steamboats carried \_\_\_\_\_ and bales of cotton up and down the rivers.
17. When passengers grew tired, they \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ (cabins).
18. The Tuscumbia Railroad was the first \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama.

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##### Section 3 Industry, Worship, and Schools in Early Alabama

Directions: Use the information from pages 181 - 186 to complete the following.

1. There were \_\_\_\_\_ small \_\_\_\_\_ in early Alabama.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ shops, \_\_\_\_\_, and gristmills were found in almost every county.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ industries needed \_\_\_\_\_ such as coal, iron, and cotton.
4. There are three major \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama that produce soft coal.
5. Most of the coal was used in making \_\_\_\_\_.
6. A \_\_\_\_\_ gets its name from the blast of hot air that helps \_\_\_\_\_ pure \_\_\_\_\_ to remove it from iron ore.
7. Around 1815, Charles Cabiness built the Beech Grove \_\_\_\_\_.
8. This was the \_\_\_\_\_ cotton \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama.
9. Daniel Pratt was one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ businessmen in Alabama before the Civil War.
10. Pratt also purchased 2,000 acres and began Prattville, a " \_\_\_\_\_."
11. This was a town with \_\_\_\_\_, schools, and \_\_\_\_\_ for factory \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Pratt built a machine shop and \_\_\_\_\_ (a place for casting metal).

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13. The first \_\_\_\_\_ in early Alabama were the \_\_\_\_\_ explorers.
14. They usually brought \_\_\_\_\_ priests with them.
15. Between 1764 and 1817, \_\_\_\_\_, Episcopalians, \_\_\_\_\_, and Presbyterians built \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama.
16. Most early churches had services when a \_\_\_\_\_ preacher could visit.
17. There were a few \_\_\_\_\_ settlers in early Alabama.
18. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a house of \_\_\_\_\_ for a Jewish congregation.
19. The city of Mobile saw the need for \_\_\_\_\_ very early.
20. It started Barton Academy in 1836 — the \_\_\_\_\_ public school in the state.
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama is Spring Hill College near Mobile.
22. Often, children only went to school a \_\_\_\_\_ a year.
23. This was because their families \_\_\_\_\_ them to \_\_\_\_\_ on their \_\_\_\_\_.
24. Some children \_\_\_\_\_ go to school because they lived \_\_\_\_\_ away.



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##### Section 4 Indian Removal

Directions: Use the information from pages 187 - 189 to complete the following.

1. President Andrew \_\_\_\_\_ signed the Indian \_\_\_\_\_ Act in 1830.
2. This \_\_\_\_\_ allowed the president to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ from their \_\_\_\_\_.
3. In the end, the Indians were \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ River.
4. On the way to their new homes in \_\_\_\_\_ (today's Oklahoma), many \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and hardships.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ were the \_\_\_\_\_ group of American Indians to be \_\_\_\_\_ from the state.
6. The Cherokee called their \_\_\_\_\_ to the western United States *nuna-da-ut-sun'y*, "the trail where they cried." We know it as the " \_\_\_\_\_."