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ANSWER KEY

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To the Teacher

This answer key for *A Child's Story of America*, Second Edition, was developed by the staff of Christian Liberty Press to help you grade your student's work and successfully teach this course. It contains answers to the questions found at the end of each chapter in the text.

This key should be used to review your student's written work and to guide him if he is having problems answering the daily work questions. Students should be expected to provide the same or similar information when answering these questions.

Students are not required to provide complete sentences unless a complete thought is needed. However, you may choose to require complete sentences for every question if you believe your student will benefit from the additional writing practice. This key provides answers in their "short form" unless a complete thought is required.

We have provided additional teacher information when necessary. Occasional teacher instructions have been given in *italics*. The phrase "Answers may vary" indicates that there is more than one possible answer. In such instances, we have attempted to give all of the possible answers that students might reasonably provide. This key also contains footnotes that provide supplemental information and/or clarification.

May God grant you wisdom and diligence as you seek to teach your students about the significant ideas and events of American history.

Answer Key

Chapter 1 Review Questions – Page 8

1. What wonderful event took place in the city of Chicago in the year 1893?
Answers may vary. The student must provide one of the answers found below.
 - a. the World's Fair
 - b. the World's Columbian Exposition
2. In what year did the sailor named Columbus cross the Atlantic Ocean and discover the New World?
1492
3. Who do historians believe was the first explorer to visit America in the year 1000?
Leif Ericson
4. Who finally helped Columbus raise the money he needed to buy ships and sailors?
Queen Isabella of Spain
5. Why did many people think that Columbus would never be able to sail across the "Sea of Darkness" and return safely?
Answers may vary. The student must provide at least one of the answers found below.
 - a. Some thought that ships would have to sail uphill to come back if the earth was round.
 - b. People thought there were places where the water would boil with the heat of the sun.
 - c. Many were afraid of sea monsters that could swallow ships and men.
6. In what year did Columbus die?
1506

Chapter 2 Review Questions – Page 14

1. What country in Europe first owned the islands of Cuba and Puerto Rico?
Spain

Chapter 17 Review Questions – Page 108

1. How often do the American people vote for their president?
every four years
2. Who was the first President of the United States?
George Washington
3. How did our nation get into financial trouble when it was young?
Our nation got into financial trouble by printing so much paper money, which was not supported by gold or silver, that the paper money lost most of its value.
4. What person was most responsible for helping America to overcome its money problems?
Alexander Hamilton
5. How many years did George Washington serve as president?
When did George Washington die?
eight years, 1799

Chapter 18 Review Questions – Page 116

1. What famous document did Thomas Jefferson help to write?
Declaration of Independence
2. What did France sell to the United States in 1803?
Louisiana Territory
3. Who did President Jefferson send to explore the new territory?
Meriwether Lewis and William Clark
4. What was the new spiritual revival in America called?
Second Great Awakening
5. Name three men God used to spread the spiritual revival across America.
Answers may vary. The student must provide three of the possible answers found below.
 - a. Timothy Dwight
 - b. Samuel J. Mills, Jr.
 - c. James McGready
 - d. Francis Asbury

6. How did young James Watt discover the power of steam?
James Watt discovered the power of steam as he watched the lid of his mother's teakettle being forced up and down by the steam of boiling water.
 7. What was the name of Robert Fulton's first successful steamboat?
Clermont
 8. Who invented the machine known as the "cotton gin"?
Eli Whitney
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Chapter 19 Review Questions – Page 122

1. What country did the United States declare war against in June of 1812?
Great Britain
 2. What did the British soldiers do to the city of Washington during August of 1814?
The British soldiers burned the Capitol and other public buildings in Washington.
 3. Who was the general responsible for defending the city of New Orleans from British attack?
General Andrew Jackson
 4. Who wrote the statement "We have met the enemy and they are ours"?
Captain Oliver Perry
 5. What city did Fort McHenry defend?
Baltimore, Maryland
 6. Who wrote the "Star-Spangled Banner"?
Francis Scott Key
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Chapter 20 Review Questions – Page 128

1. Who was the head of the Mexican government and military at the time of the Alamo?
General Santa Anna