**Seventh Grade Civics-Chapter Fifteen Section One: The Source of Our Laws**

**Multiple Choice**

*Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.*

\_\_\_\_ 1. Sid believes that the federal government is totally corrupt and should be abolished. Sid thinks that we would be better off without any government at all. Sid is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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| a. | socialist | c. | anarchist |
| b. | capitalist | d. | methodist |

\_\_\_\_ 2. Dana is a beautician at Hammie’s Hair Hangout. Meghan had Dana cut her hair and color it to hide her gray hair. When it was over, Meghan had orange hair instead of the color she had expected. Dana apologized but said she couldn’t do anything about it and told Meghan she owed $75.00. Meghan chose to take Dana and the business to court. The type of court case represented here would be considered a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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| a. | civil disagreement | c. | public protest. |
| b. | criminal offense | d. | federal infringement |

\_\_\_\_ 3. Which of the following would be seen as a change in law due to new ideas in national customs and traditions?

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| a. | The death penalty for convicted murderers |
| b. | The granting of voting privileges for women |
| c. | Arresting someone without reading them their rights |
| d. | Reducing the speed limit to reduce the use of fuel |

\_\_\_\_ 4. Where was ancient Babylon located?

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| a. | Modern-day Canada | c. | Modern-day Vietnam |
| b. | Modern-day India | d. | Modern-day Iraq |

\_\_\_\_ 5. This person could be considered responsible for Roman laws being taken throughout the world?

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| a. | Napoleon | c. | Washington |
| b. | Hannibal | d. | Rousseau |

\_\_\_\_ 6. Which of the following would be considered a part of English common law?

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| a. | trial by jury | c. | children being able to vote |
| b. | women having property rights | d. | guilt until proven innocent |

\_\_\_\_ 7. When a judge makes a decision using the rulings of similar, earlier cases, the judge is using a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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| a. | precedent | c. | mandate |
| b. | common law | d. | amendment |

\_\_\_\_ 8. Which of the following foundations for laws can be found in the Ten Commandments?

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| a. | Thou shalt not murder |
| b. | Thou shalt pay thy taxes |
| c. | Thou shalt marry from own social class |
| d. | Thou shalt dress in domestic clothing |

**Short Answer**

9. How were the earliest laws shared with later generations?

10. Why would people take offense with the laws of Hammurabi today?

11. Why is law that is easy to understand a good law?

12. This American state is different than all the others because it followed the Napoleonic laws of France.