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## KNOW THE TERMS

## Chapter 7

**Directions:** Complete each of the following statements by filling in the correct word or words in the space provided.

1. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ is a person paid to represent the interests of a company or special group.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ movement believed government was best equipped to correct the ills of society.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ means "all of the party's members vote on the candidates of their choice."
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is appointing people to government positions as a reward for political support.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ was the political party made up mainly of farmers who wanted tariff reform, a graduated income tax, regulation of railroads, the use of silver money, and the direct election of U. S. senators.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ means that the dollar is convertible into gold only.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a small beetle that attacks cotton bolls, where the cotton fibers are formed.
8. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ is a person who did not own the land he farmed, the house he lived in, and often the tools he used.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ is "the ability to buy something now and pay for it later."
10. \_\_\_\_\_ is mob murder by hanging, shooting, or burning.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ means "separation of the races."

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## **KNOW THE FACTS**

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**Directions:** Write your answers to the following in the space provided.

1. Which Mississippi constitution was the instrument by which "white supremacy" was restored in Mississippi?
2. Briefly explain how the sharecropping system operated.
3. Discuss how Delta planters tried to experiment with new kinds of labor in the early 1900s.
4. Explain the problems with the Mississippi lumber industry in the 1930s.
5. Which organization in Mississippi, led by Frank Burkitt, was created to help the small farmer?
6. Who was the founder of the Populist party of Mississippi?
7. Explain why James Vardaman was popular with the poor people of Mississippi.
8. Discuss the accomplishments of Governor Theodore G. Bilbo.
9. Briefly discuss the role Mississippians played in World War I.
10. Summarize the story of President Teddy Roosevelt's trip to Mississippi to hunt bear.

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# THE BOLL WEEVIL QUIZ

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**Directions:** Go to [www.nationalhistoryday.com/03\\_educators/teacher/doc7.htm](http://www.nationalhistoryday.com/03_educators/teacher/doc7.htm), which contains the lyrics of "The Boll Weevil Song." Use those lyrics to answer the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

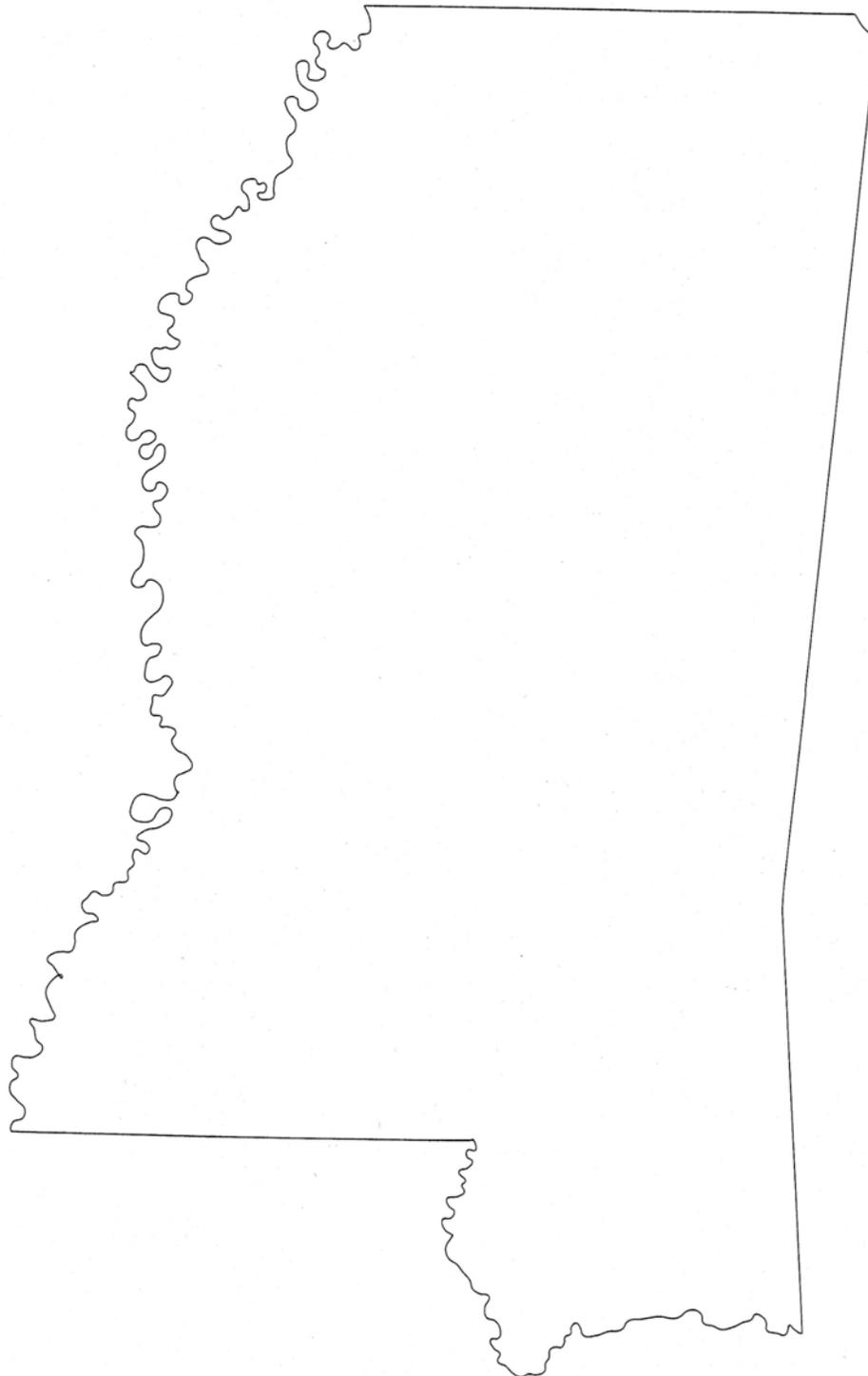
1. According to "The Boll Weevil Song," where did the boll weevil come from?
2. Where did the boll weevil first enter the United States?
3. According to the song, what color is the boll weevil's head?
4. Where did the song writer first see the boll weevil?
5. In what month does the boll weevil normally arrive?
6. What problems does the boll weevil create for the farmer?
7. What does the merchant promise to give the farmer if he kills the boll weevil?
8. What threat does the boll weevil make to the farmer?
9. What warning does the boll weevil make to the doctor?
10. What warning does the boll weevil make to the preacher?
11. What damage did the boll weevil do the black sharecropper and his family?
12. After having read the lyrics of this song, write a paragraph summarizing the extensive damage of the boll weevil.

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# LOCATION

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**Directions:** On the map below, label the following general regions of Mississippi: the Hills, the Delta, the Gulf Coast, and the Piney Woods.



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## READING COMPREHENSION

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**Directions:** Circle the letter *T* if the statement is true or the letter *F* if the statement is false.

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| T | F | 1.  | Legal segregation in Mississippi began in 1888 with a law that separated passengers on trains.   |
| T | F | 2.  | Sharecroppers owned the land they worked.  |
| T | F | 3.  | Erosion of topsoil was a serious problem after 1900.   |
| T | F | 4.  | Between 1880 and 1930, lumber companies clear-cut the entire state's supply of trees.  |
| T | F | 5.  | There were no differences in educational opportunities for blacks and whites.  |
| T | F | 6.  | A poll tax was instituted to keep blacks and poor whites from voting.  |
| T | F | 7.  | After 1875, the black majority was denied the right to vote by force and fraud.  |
| T | F | 8.  | James Z. George led the Mississippi Farmers' Alliance.   |
| T | F | 9.  | The Mississippi People's party was formed in 1891 as an outlet for the demands of rich plantation owners.  |
| T | F | 10. | Governor McLaurin built his power on patronage and his ability to pardon criminals.  |
| T | F | 11. | Political "bosses" controlled the conventions of party leaders where nominees for office were chosen.  |
| T | F | 12. | After passage of the "whites only" primary law in 1902, the Republican nominee always won the November general election because the Democratic and Populist parties offered little opposition. |
| T | F | 13. | Racism was the central issue of Vardaman's 1903 campaign for governor.   |
| T | F | 14. | The United States joined in World War I in 1914.   |
| T | F | 15. | Few Mississippians supported World War I.  |
| T | F | 16. | Participation by African Americans in state politics was most widespread under the Democrats.  |

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## READING REVIEW

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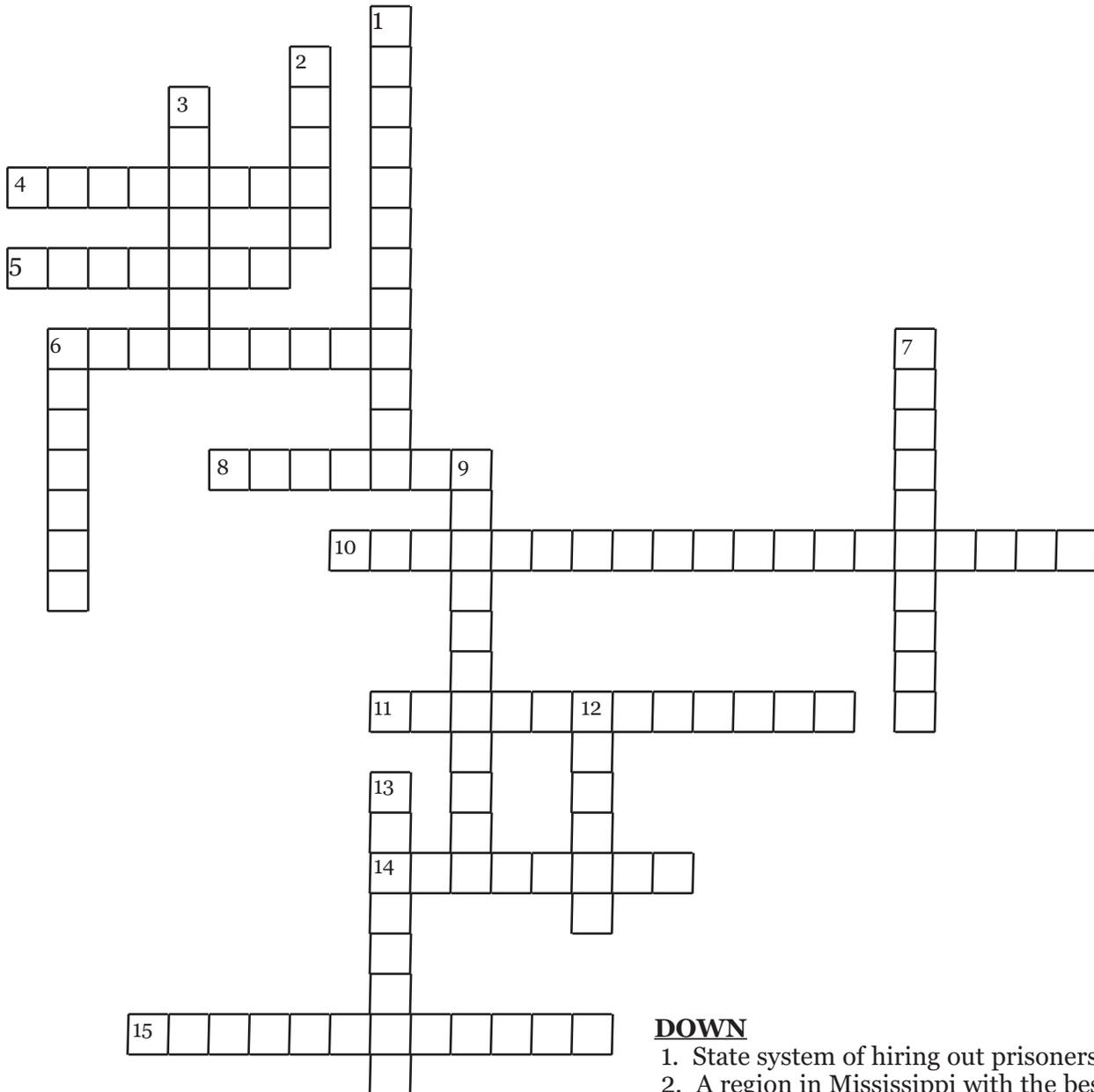
**Directions:** Complete each statement by filling in the correct word or words in the space provided.

1. In Mississippi, \_\_\_\_\_ began in 1888 with a law that segregated passengers on trains.
2. \_\_\_\_\_, a famous black Mississippi writer, told of street-corner gatherings that seethed with racial bitterness.
3. State laws allowed planters to keep \_\_\_\_\_ on their plantations until they had paid their debts.
4. In the 1900s, Delta planters recruited \_\_\_\_\_ immigrant farm laborers.
5. After 1900, \_\_\_\_\_ eroded at a frightening rate, making the land less and less productive.
6. Frank Burkitt led the \_\_\_\_\_, an organization created to help small farmers.
7. Ethelbert Barksdale ran for U.S. senator in 1891 and favored a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ demanded tariff reform, a graduated income tax, regulation of railroads, the use of silver as money, and the direct election of U.S. senators.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ earned his power in the Democratic party by appointing people to government positions and pardoning criminals.
10. It was easy for \_\_\_\_\_ to control the conventions of party leaders at which nominees for office were chosen.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ won his office by asking all former generals to vote for his opponent and all privates to vote for him.
12. The pressure to do away with the convention nominating system increased after the \_\_\_\_\_ in 1900.
13. James Vardaman enlisted in the \_\_\_\_\_ during the \_\_\_\_\_ and saw service in \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Vardaman's style during his campaign earned him the nickname of \_\_\_\_\_.

# IN-DEPTH SEARCH

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**Directions:** Use the following clues to solve the crossword puzzle.



**DOWN**

- 4. Another name for the People's party.
- 5. Immigrant group recruited by Delta planters in the 1900s.
- 6. Rewarding supporters with political positions.
- 8. A group that suffered because of the gold standard.
- 10. A movement that sought to correct the ills of society.
- 11. A person who does not own the land he works.
- 14. Mob murder by hanging, shooting, or burning.
- 15. The dollar is convertible into gold only.

**DOWN**

- 1. State system of hiring out prisoners.
- 2. A region in Mississippi with the best schools in the early 1900s.
- 3. Teddy Roosevelt's guide on his Mississippi bear hunt.
- 6. An election in which all of a political party's members vote for the candidates of their choice.
- 7. A small beetle that attacks cotton.
- 9. Separation of the races.
- 12. The ability to buy something and pay for it later.
- 13. A portion of this tax was used to support education.