**Crash Course: Decolonization**

**Directions:** Go to Weebly 🡪 Unit 12 🡪 Lesson 1 🡪 “Crash Course: Decolonization.” Watch the video and answer the questions BOTH in the video and on this worksheet.

1. Empires have come and gone throughout history. According to John Green, why is this loss of empires so unique?
2. New empires have replaced every single one that fell (C) No empires have replaced the ones that fell
3. The Mongols are unconquerable – they can never fall (D) The existing empires have not yet fallen
4. What role did World War II play in ending the age of empires?
5. Which of the following is not a characteristic of decolonization?
6. Having to choose between socialist and capitalist influences (because it was during the Cold War)
7. It was a peaceful transition from one rule to the next
8. Their road to democracy was rocky, often violent
9. Involved overthrowing colonial elites
10. What was the Indian National Congress?
11. A legislature (C) A rock band
12. A political party (D) A social movement
13. Initially, the Indian National Congress fought for independence.
14. True (B) False
15. Explain.
16. Which of the following is not true of Mohandas Gandhi?
17. He was a British educated lawyer (E) He was born to a wealthy family
18. He fought to alleviate poverty (F) He participated in long fasts
19. He made his own clothes (G) He fought to improve women’s rights
20. He was born a slave and fought for emancipation (H) He achieved a unified Indian independence from Britain

1. How did Gandhi achieve Indian unity?
2. Through a nonviolent approach (C) It was a miracle – almost magic!
3. He fought many battles
4. Why was a “unified India of which the Congress spoke” an “artificial one”?
5. What did Ainslie Embree mean when he said that it was “created and maintained by British bayonets”?
6. Which of the following is not a modern state created as a result of Indian independence?
7. Pakistan (D) Bangladesh
8. India (E) Afghanistan
9. West Pakistan (F) East Pakistan
10. Why did people move after Indian independence?
11. Hindus moved to Pakistan while Muslims moved to India (C) The climate in India was more suited for the Muslims
12. The climate in Pakistan was more suited for the Hindus (D) Hindus moved to India while Muslims moved to Pakistan
13. Which European nation imperialized modern day Indonesia?
14. The Dutch (C) The French
15. The British (D) The Americans
16. Why was the Dutch system of “cultuurstelsel” a failure in Indonesia?
17. Why would the Indonesians prefer their Japanese rulers to their Dutch rulers?
18. Which of the following modern day states does not match its former European colonizer?
19. Vietnam – France (C) Indonesia – The Netherlands
20. Indonesia – Great Britain (D) Cambodia – France
21. Why were these independent movements so violent?
22. Which of the following is not true of Egyptian independence?
23. Gamal Abdul Nasser supported the beliefs of the Muslim Brotherhood and incorporated their members into his movement
24. The British supported Egyptian king was overthrown by the Egyptian army, led by Gamal Abdul Nasser
25. Gamal Abdul Nasser’s nationalism movement was largely secular and viewed other nationalist movements with strong religious ties as a threat
26. Gamal Abdul Nasser played the U.s. and USSR off each other for support of Egypt
27. Egypt has been an independent nation since 1022, although heavily influenced by the British
28. Why is that not true?
29. Which of the following is not true of colonialism in central and southern Africa?
30. Colonizers justified their actions by claiming they were civilizing the people and bringing economic development to their colonies
31. Often the colonial boundaries were arbitrary (random) or pernicious (harmful)
32. The people of central and southern Africa accepted the rule of these European nations and therefore created an atmosphere of peace
33. The colonizers focused on extracting resources from the colony rather than caring for the colony. They built infrastructure to get resources and expert them
34. Why were African colonies in chaos after the European nations left?
35. Now that hundreds of years of colonial rule has finally ended, what do you think are its effects? List three effects of European colonization.