

The Playing Field – Viewing Questions

Name: _____

1. What were the two constitutional amendments that guaranteed the right to vote and equal protection under the law?
2. Who was the first known Black baseball player?
3. What was decided by Plessy v. Ferguson
4. How did this change baseball?
5. What was the first African American professional baseball team?
6. Why did they take the name they did?
7. What is barnstorming?
8. List three factors that caused the migration of Blacks from the South to the North from 1910.
9. Describe the African American contribution to World War I.

10. What name is given to the flourishing Black culture of the 1920s?
11. When and where was the first Black professional baseball league formed? What was its name?
12. How did the stock market crash of 1929 affect the Black community?
13. When was the first East-West Negro League All Star game, and why is it particularly significant?
14. Who is Jesse Owens and what did he do in 1936?
15. Describe the African American contribution to World War II.
16. How did World War II affect the Negro baseball leagues?
17. What excuses were used to keep Black athletes out of the major leagues?
18. What was the Supreme Court decision that eliminated legal segregation?
19. How did the end of segregation impact the Negro leagues?