



What Event Prompted the First Income Tax in the United States? - Quiz

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Q1. What event marked the beginning of a new era in the colonies?

- A. The Boston Tea Party
- B. The signing of the Declaration of Independence
- C. The imposition of the head tax
- D. The establishment of the estate tax

Q2. What were 'Sin Taxes' first imposed on in 1794?

- A. Alcohol and tobacco
- B. Tea and coffee
- C. Property and land
- D. Imported goods

Q3. Who was a founding member of the Sons of Liberty?

- A. Samuel Adams
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. George Washington
- D. Thomas Jefferson

Q4. What was the death count of the American Civil War?

- A. Over 600,000
- B. Around 200,000
- C. Approximately 1 million
- D. Less than 100,000

Q5. What event marked the beginning of the American Civil War?

- A. The attack on Fort Sumter
- B. The election of Abraham Lincoln
- C. The secession of Southern states
- D. The Kansas-Nebraska Act

Q6. What was the tax rate imposed by the Revenue Act of 1861 on incomes above \$800?

- A. 3%
- B. 5%
- C. 10%
- D. 1%

Q7. What did the Revenue Act of 1862 establish?

- A. The Office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue
- B. The first federal income tax
- C. The 16th Amendment
- D. The estate tax

Q8. What was the tax rate for incomes over \$10,000 under the Revenue Act of 1862?

- A. 5%
- B. 3%
- C. 7%
- D. 10%

Q9. When was the 16th Amendment ratified?

- A. February 25, 1913
- B. July 4, 1776
- C. April 12, 1861
- D. December 7, 1941

Q10. Who certified the 16th Amendment?

- A. Philander Knox
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. Samuel Adams
- D. Salmon Chase

Answer Key

1. Q1: A
2. Q2: A
3. Q3: A
4. Q4: A
5. Q5: A
6. Q6: A
7. Q7: A
8. Q8: A
9. Q9: A
10. Q10: A