



Why Was Andrew Johnson Impeached? - Quiz

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Q1. What was the Tenure of Office Act?

- A. A law that stipulated that the president could not remove members of his Cabinet without the approval of the Senate
- B. A law that restricted ex-Confederates from rejoining Congress
- C. A law that ensured that freed African American slaves were guaranteed rights such as the right to vote
- D. A law that required the president to reinstate the original Cabinet member if the Senate did not approve of the replacement

Q2. Why did Andrew Johnson replace Edwin M. Stanton with Ulysses S. Grant while Congress was in recess?

- A. To frustrate the Radical Republicans' plans for Reconstruction
- B. To show his support for ex-Confederates
- C. To ensure that freed African American slaves were guaranteed rights such as the right to vote
- D. To demonstrate his loyalty to the United States

Q3. Who led the charge for impeachment against Andrew Johnson?

- A. Thaddeus Stevens
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. Ulysses S. Grant
- D. Edwin M. Stanton

Q4. Why did the House of Representatives vote for impeachment on February 24, 1868?

- A. To determine the future of the entire nation
- B. To punish Johnson for his actions in breaking the Tenure of Office Act
- C. To show support for ex-Confederates
- D. To demonstrate their loyalty to the United States

Q5. What was the result of the impeachment trial in the Senate?

- A. Johnson was convicted and removed from office
- B. Johnson was convicted but not removed from office
- C. Johnson was acquitted
- D. The trial ended in a mistrial

Q6. Who were the Radical Republicans?

- A. A group of politicians who wanted to restrict ex-Confederates from rejoining Congress and ensure that freed African American slaves were guaranteed rights such as the right to vote
- B. A group of politicians who wanted to be lenient with Southern states and let them establish new constitutions and state governments with little federal oversight
- C. A group of politicians who supported the impeachment of Andrew Johnson
- D. A group of politicians who opposed the impeachment of Andrew Johnson

Q7. Why did Johnson want to replace Edwin M. Stanton with Ulysses S. Grant?

- A. To frustrate the Radical Republicans' plans for Reconstruction
- B. To show his support for ex-Confederates
- C. To ensure that freed African American slaves were guaranteed rights such as the right to vote
- D. To demonstrate his loyalty to the United States

Q8. Who was Lorenzo Thomas, and what position did he hold in Andrew Johnson's Cabinet?

- A. He was a general and the Secretary of War
- B. He was a general and the Secretary of State
- C. He was a general and the Secretary of the Treasury
- D. He was a general and the Secretary of Defense

Q9. Who did the House of Representatives vote to try Andrew Johnson based on 'high crimes and misdemeanors'?

- A. Thaddeus Stevens
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. Ulysses S. Grant
- D. Edwin M. Stanton

Q10. What did the Senate do when they reconvened in December after Andrew Johnson suspended Edwin M. Stanton and replaced him with Ulysses S. Grant?

- A. They approved the replacement
- B. They did not approve the replacement, and Grant resigned
- C. They voted to impeach Johnson
- D. They voted to acquit Johnson

Answer Key

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