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#### Section 1

**Directions:** Use the information on pages 562-566 to answer the following questions.

1. Richard W. Riley served \_\_\_\_\_ years as governor of South Carolina
2. What improvements were made to the South Carolina education system by the Education Improvement Act of 1984? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What natural disaster in 1989 sidetracked Governor Campbell's efforts to change the structure of state government? \_\_\_\_\_
4. In 1983, President Reagan called the Soviet Union \_\_\_\_\_.
5. What factors contributed to the recession of 1990? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_ was the first "baby boomer" to be elected president.

#### Section 2

**Directions:** Use the information on pages 567-575 to answer the following questions.

1. In what year did the Republicans gain control of South Carolina government? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What changes did the Education Accountability Act bring? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What issue figured in Governor Beasley's defeat by Jim Hodges in 1998?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Which of the following is the dominant religious preference in South Carolina? Circle the letter of the correct answer.
  - A. Baptist
  - B. Catholic
  - C. Episcopalian
  - D. Jewish
  - E. Lutheran
  - F. Methodist
  - G. Presbyterian

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**Directions:** Use the information on pages 567-575 to answer the following questions.

5. What is a political action committee? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Why are people concerned about the impact of smoking? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Name three advances in health care since the 1980s. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Why do people call the Internet the "information superhighway?" \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. What symbol continues to cause controversy in South Carolina? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. What percentage of women in South Carolina work outside the home? \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 3

**Directions:** Use the information on pages 576-584 to answer the following questions.

1. Name one factor that could attract new industry to South Carolina in the future.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. When does South Carolina's fiscal year begin and end? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. True or false: Because of the closings of military bases in South Carolina, the state was unable to make contributions to the 1991 Gulf War and the war on terrorism. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why has the population of South Carolina increased so much in the last few years?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What population shift has occurred related to *where* people are living in South Carolina?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. What is the density approach to improving cities? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. What was the purpose of the first Earth Day? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. In South Carolina, environmental issues are handled by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
9. What is global warming? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_ are swamps, marsh, and other areas that are covered or soaked with water at least part of the year.
11. What is GSX in Pinewood? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Answer Key

#### Section 1

1. 8 years (the first governor to be allowed to run for re-election)
2. It implemented the Basic Skills Assessment Program and exit exam for a high school diploma, tightened school attendance requirements, provided raises for teachers, and required teachers to work more days.
3. Hurricane Hugo
4. an "evil empire"
5. federal budget deficit, soaring national debt, increasing oil prices, rising consumer debt, and failure of banks and savings and loans
6. Bill Clinton

#### Section 2

1. 1994
2. the development of academic standards in ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies; testing in those four areas; "report cards" for schools and school districts
3. establishment of a lottery to fund education
4. A
5. a private organization whose members share similar views and who try to influence legislators to favor the group's position
6. Smoking has been linked to lung cancer, heart disease, and many other ailments.
7. Student answer may include dialysis machines, laparoscopes, ultrasounds, CAT scans, MRIs, sophisticated operating room equipment, using sound waves to break up kidney stones, implanting small electronic devices to regulate heartbeats, special optical scanners for the visually impaired, electronic hearing aids.
8. because information can be sent and received in a matter of seconds instead of days and weeks
9. the Confederate flag
10. more than 56 percent

#### Section 3

1. the state's AAA credit rating, which allows the state to borrow money at a lower interest rate
2. It begins July 1 and ends June 30 of the following calendar year.
3. false
4. because of the businesses that have relocated to South Carolina
5. a shift from rural to urban (suburban) population
6. to concentrate housing and other buildings in a smaller area so that it would be easier and less expensive to provide services
7. to publicize environmental problems and to pressure lawmakers into passing environmental legislation
8. the Department of Natural Resources
9. the theory that increased amounts of carbon monoxide and other gases from manufacturing and transportation are increasing the temperature of our atmosphere
10. wetlands
11. a toxic waste disposal company