

A Trip Through Time in South Carolina

When students visit the Cherokee County Museum, they take a trip through time to learn how South Carolina has changed.

In one exhibit, students learn about Native Americans who lived in South Carolina long ago. These groups used natural resources from the land to survive. They made tools from stone and wood and used plants and animals for food, clothing, and shelter. Their way of life depended on the environment around them.

Another part of the museum focuses on the American Revolution. South Carolina played an important role in the war. Some people in the colony supported independence from Great Britain. Others remained loyal to the king. Battles were fought across the state, and many people risked their lives for their beliefs.

The museum also shows how life in South Carolina changed over time. In the past, many people worked on farms. Later, textile mills and factories provided new jobs. The growth of railroads and roads made it easier to transport goods and travel from place to place. These changes helped the state's economy grow.

In a hands-on STEM lab, students can solve problems and think like scientists. They learn that people use science and engineering to improve their lives. Just like in the past, people today still depend on natural resources and new ideas to meet their needs.

By exploring the museum, students can better understand how South Carolina's history, environment, and economy are all connected.

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Assessment

Part A: Multiple Choice

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. South Carolina only changed during the American Revolution
- B. The museum teaches how South Carolina has changed over time
- C. Native Americans lived the same way people live today
- D. Factories are the most important part of South Carolina

2. Why were natural resources important to Native Americans?

- A. They used them to travel long distances
- B. They used them to build factories
- C. They depended on them for daily needs
- D. They traded them with Great Britain

3. Which detail BEST shows how South Carolina's economy changed?

- A. People fought in battles
- B. Native Americans used tools
- C. Jobs changed from farming to factory work
- D. Students visit a museum

4. What can be inferred about transportation in South Carolina?

- A. It stayed the same over time
- B. It made it harder for people to travel
- C. It helped goods and people move more easily
- D. It was only used during the Revolution

Part B: Select All That Apply

5. Which topics are included in the museum exhibits?

- ☐ Native American life
- ☐ Space travel only
- ☐ American Revolution
- ☐ Economic changes
- ☐ Weather patterns

Part C: Constructed Response

6. Use details from the passage to explain how South Carolina has changed over time.

Answer Key

1. B

2. C

3. C

4. C

5.

✓ Native American life

✓ American Revolution

✓ Economic changes

6. Possible points addressed in student response

✓ Use of natural resources

✓ Social Groups

✓ War and beliefs

✓ Industry

✓ Transportation

✓ Innovation