



Work for Freedom

Chapter 15 Worksheet

Name _____

1. In what year did Ralph Peer of the Victor Talking Machine Company make the first country music recordings in Bristol, Tennessee? _____
2. What was the most famous country music act Ralph Peer recorded on that occasion? _____
3. TRUE OR FALSE: In April 1925, Nashville's Grand Ole Opry was heard as far away as Oregon. _____
4. How did W.C. Handy's father feel about musical instruments? _____

5. What is Chattanooga native Bessie Smith's nickname? _____

6. What the letters in B.B. King's nickname stand for? _____
7. What type of music do we associate with Stax Records? _____
8. In what state were both B. B. King and Elvis Presley born? _____
9. What was Elvis Presley's first number one record? _____
10. In what Memphis studio did Elvis record it? _____
11. *From the online teacher's guide:* What musical instrument was DeFord Bailey famous for playing? _____
12. *From the online teacher's guide:* To get his first job in radio, for what medicine did B.B. King write a **jingle**?¹ _____
13. *From the online teacher's guide:* Who wrote the country music song "I will always love you?" _____
14. *From the online teacher's guide:* With what Sesame Street character did Waylon Jennings sing the song "Ain't No Road Too Long"? _____

¹ **jingle** – a short promotional song used in radio and TV ads.