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### Relationships Among Events

Read the passage carefully. Answer the questions.

## The American Flag at Fort McHenry

During the War of 1812, British ships attacked Fort McHenry in Baltimore, Maryland. Cannons roared and smoke filled the air. The battle lasted all night. In the morning, something amazing happened—through the smoke, the American flag was still flying over the fort. It showed that the Americans had not given up.

A man named Francis Scott Key saw the flag flying. He was so inspired that he wrote a poem about it called *The Star-Spangled Banner*. Later, this poem became the national anthem of the United States. Today, the flag from Fort McHenry is kept in a museum, and we still sing the anthem to honor our country and its bravery.

1. What caused Francis Scott Key to write a poem?

- A. He saw a flag flying after the battle at Fort McHenry.
- B. He wanted to be famous.
- C. He was asked to write a song by the President.
- D. He liked writing about fireworks.

2. What is the effect of the American flag still flying after the battle?

- A. It made the British attack again.
- B. It showed that the Americans did not give up and gave people hope.
- C. It was taken down right away.
- D. People thought it meant the war was over.

3. What is the relationship between the battle at Fort McHenry and the U.S. national anthem?

- A. The battle took place while the anthem was being sung.
- B. The anthem was written many years before the battle.
- C. The flag's survival during the battle inspired the anthem.
- D. Fort McHenry was named after the national anthem.