



ANSWERS

1. The word Juneteenth was created by blending together the words "June" and "nineteenth" to commemorate the day in 1865 that Union Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger led soldiers into Galveston, Texas, to announce that the Union had won the war, and it now had the power to enforce an end to slavery.
2. It said that all slaves were now free, that they had equal rights to their former masters, and that the connection between them and their former masters now became one of employer and hired laborer.