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Freedom Timeline Check

Directions: Read each statement about Juneteenth history carefully. Decide if it is **True** or **Myth**. If it's a myth, write a short correction explaining the truth.

_____ 1. The Emancipation Proclamation instantly freed all enslaved people across the United States in 1863.

_____ 2. Union General Gordon Granger brought the news of freedom to Texas on June 19, 1865.

_____ 3. Juneteenth celebrations began only after it became a federal holiday in 2021.

_____ 4. Many enslaved people in Texas already knew about freedom before the soldiers arrived, but they waited for official confirmation.

_____ 5. Juneteenth is a combination of the words *June* and *nineteenth*.

_____ 6. People celebrated the first Juneteenth with parades, prayer, and music.

_____ 7. Juneteenth only celebrates the end of slavery in Texas and not across the United States.

_____ 8. Over time, Juneteenth became a national symbol of freedom, resilience, and unity.

_____ 9. The news of emancipation reached Texas just a few weeks after the Civil War began.

_____ 10. Today, Juneteenth is recognized as an official federal holiday in the United States.