CHARACTERISTICS OF AMERICAN ROMANTICISM  Indicate which of the following statements describes a characteristic of American Romanticism by writing **Y** for yes or **N** for no in the space provided.

1. The American novel developed during the Romantic period along with Westward expansion and the growth of a nationalist spirit, and idealized frontier life. **Y**

2. American Romantic poets constructed poems with American settings and subject matter, using uniquely American themes, meter, and imagery. **Y**

3. Writers of the American Romantic movement helped build the American cultural identity. **Y**

4. The Romantics believed that imagination, individual feelings, and wild nature were as valuable as reason, logic, and sophistication. **Y**

5. Like those of the Puritan writers who preceded them, the American Romantic writers’ lessons were defined by their religion. **N**

6. The qualities that marked James Fenimore Cooper’s character Natty Bumppo as a Romantic hero were his technical prowess, his air of sophistication, which allowed him to cross social boundaries, and his almost superhuman resourcefulness. **N**

7. Romanticism is the name given to schools of thought that value feeling and intuition over reason. **Y**

8. American Romanticism put its faith in imagination, inner experience, and youthful innocence rather than educated sophistication. **Y**

9. Many Romantics believed that the entire natural world was spoiled irretrievably by the artificiality of civilization. **Y**

10. The Romantics wrote about situations and settings from the more “natural” past. **Y**

11. Examples of American Romanticism include tales of the supernatural, legends, and folklore. **Y**

12. Romantics believed that thinking about the natural world led to a more generalized emotional and intellectual awakening. **Y**

13. The group of American Romantic poets called the Fireside Poets promoted the poetry of the future. **N**