

# U.S. Constitution TEST

*Notecards*

How many senators does each  
state have?

Two

What are the three branches of  
government?

- Legislative Branch
- Executive Branch
- Judicial Branch

Who is known as the  
*“Father of the Constitution”*?

James Madison

How long is the term for a  
U.S. Representative?



2 years

How many terms can a  
president serve?

Two

How many amendments have been made to the U.S. Constitution?

27

What five freedoms are guaranteed  
by the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment?

- Religion
- Assembly
  - Press
- Petition
- Speech

***(RAPPS)***

What is the highest court in the  
Judicial Branch?



# The Supreme Court

What other government position  
does the Vice President hold?

He is *President of the Senate*

How long is a presidential term?

4 years

What is the introduction to the  
Constitution called?

# *The Preamble*

What is the main duty of the  
Legislative Branch?



To make laws

Who is the head of the Executive Branch?

# The President

How long is the term for a  
U.S. Senator?

Six years

Which house of Congress has the power to ratify treaties?

# The Senate

How long is the term for a  
Supreme Court Justice?



Life

(until he/she resigns, retires, or dies in office)

What is the maximum number of years a President can serve in office?

10 years

What is suffrage?

The right to vote

What is the *Bill of Rights*?

# The first 10 amendments to the Constitution

What did the *13<sup>th</sup> Amendment*  
do?



Abolished slavery

What is the common name for  
the Legislative Branch?

Congress

What are the qualifications (3)  
to become President?

- Must be at least 35 years old
- Must be a natural born citizen
- Must live in the United States for at least 14 years.

What type of government are the states guaranteed in Article IV?

A representative government

What does the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment  
guarantee?



The right to bear arms  
(own guns)

Which amendment gave women  
suffrage (the right to vote)?

The 19<sup>th</sup>

What is the duty of the  
Executive Branch?

To enforce laws

Where is the capital of the  
United States?

Washington, D.C.

How many justices serve in the  
Supreme Court?



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Which document was adopted  
on July 4, 1776?

# The *Declaration of Independence*

How do we decide how many representatives each state gets in the House of Representatives?

The number is based upon each  
state's population  
*(1 representative per 500,000 people)*

What ratio of state governments  
is needed to ratify a  
Constitutional Amendment?

3/4

According to the 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment,  
what is needed to search a person's  
house or belongings?



A search warrant

Which state has the most  
electoral votes?

California

According to the 6<sup>th</sup> Amendment, all people have the right to a trial by a

\_\_\_\_\_.

jury

What are the *two* major political parties of the United States?

Democratic Party  
Republican Party

What are the 5 duties of the President?



- Chief legislator
- Commander in chief
  - Chief of State
  - Chief Executive
  - Chief of Party

Who are the first *four* people who can become President, if the President is unable to work?

- Vice President
- Speaker of the House
- President Pro Tempore of the Senate
- Secretary of State

Who appoints Supreme Court justices?

# The President

Which amendment guarantees that people cannot be tried twice for the same crime, or be forced to incriminate themselves (testify)?

5<sup>th</sup>

What is the main duty of the  
Judicial Branch?



To interpret the Constitution

How many people make up  
Congress?

535

435 members in the *House of Representatives*

+

100 members in the *Senate*

What is *naturalization*?

The process a foreigner must go through to gain citizenship in the United States.

What power does the President have regarding treaties?

The President *negotiates* treaties  
(Senate *approves* them)

Which political party strongly supports the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment?



# The Republican Party

The 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment was later repealed by the 21<sup>st</sup> Amendment.

What topic did these two amendments deal with?

The banning (18<sup>th</sup>) / allowing (21<sup>st</sup>)  
the use of alcohol

A president wins an election  
when he/she wins the majority  
of the \_\_\_\_\_ votes.

electoral

How do we figure out how many electoral votes each state receives in the Electoral College?

*Formula:*

The number of senators

+

The number of state representatives

=

The number of electoral votes per state

What is the title of the person who  
is *the head* of the  
House of Representatives?



# *The Speaker of the House*

Which member of the government  
has the power to *veto*?

# The President

Which Amendment protects citizens  
from “cruel and unusual”  
punishments?

# 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment