

U.S. CONSTITUTION TEST

Name: _____

1. Which of the following is a right guaranteed by the Bill of Rights?

- Public Education Employment Voting
 Trial by Jury

2. The federal census of population is taken each five years.

- True False

3. If a person is indicted for a crime, name two rights which he has:

4. A U.S. senator elected at the general election in November takes office the following year on what date?

5. A President elected at the general election in November takes office the following year on what date?

6. Which definition applies to the word "amendment?"

- Proposed change, as in a Constitution
 Making of peace between nations at war
 A part of the government

7. A person appointed to the U.S. Supreme court is appointed for a term of _____.

8. When the Constitution was approved by the original colonies, how many states had to ratify it in order for it to be in effect? _____

9. Does enumeration affect the income tax levied on citizens in various states? Yes No

10. Persons opposed to swearing in an oath may say, instead: (solemnly: _____)

11. To serve as President of the United States, a person must have attained:

- 25 35 40
 45 years.

12. What words are required by law to be on all coins and paper currency of the U.S.?

13. The Supreme Court is the chief lawmaking body of the state. True False

14. If a law passed by a state is contrary to provisions of the U.S. Constitution, which law prevails?

15. If a vacancy occurs in the U.S. Senate, the state must hold an election, but meanwhile the place may be filled by a temporary appointment made by:

16. A U.S. senator is elected for a term of _____ years.

17. Appropriation of money for the armed services can be only for a period limited to _____ years.

18. The chief executive and the administrative offices make up the _____ branch of government.

19. Who passes laws dealing with piracy?

20. The number of representatives which a state is entitled to have in the House of Representatives is based on:

21. The Constitution protects an individual against punishments which are _____ and _____.

22. When a jury has heard and rendered a verdict in a case, and the judgment on the verdict has become final, the defendant cannot again be brought to trial for the same cause. False True

23. Name two levels of government which can levy taxes:

24. Communism was the type of government in:

- U.S. Russia England

25. Cases tried before a court of law are two types, civil and:

26. By a majority vote of the members of Congress, the Congress can change provisions of the Constitution of the U.S.
 True False

27. For security, each state has a right to form a

28. The electoral vote for President is counted in the presence of two bodies. Name them:

29. If no candidate for President receives a majority of the electoral vote, who decides who will become President?

30. Of the original 13 states, the one with the largest representation in the first Congress was:

31. Of which branch of government is the Speaker of the House a part?
 Executive Legislative Judicial

32. Capital punishment is the giving of a death sentence.
 True False

33. In case the President is unable to perform the duties of his office, who assumes them?

34. "Involuntary servitude" is permitted in the U.S. upon conviction of a crime. True False

35. If a state is a party to a case, the Constitution provides that original jurisdiction shall be in:

36. Congress passes laws regulating cases which are included in those over which the U.S. Supreme Court has _____ jurisdiction.

37. Which of the following is a right guaranteed by the Bill of Rights of the U.S. Constitution?
 Public Housing Education
 Voting Trial by Jury

38. The Legislatures of the states decide how presidential electors may be chosen.
 False True

39. If it were proposed to join Alabama and Mississippi to form one state, what groups would have to vote approval in order for this to be done?

40. The Vice President presides over:

41. The Constitution limits the size of the District of Columbia to _____.

42. The only laws which can be passed to apply to an area in a federal arsenal are those passed by

provided consent for the purchase of the land is given by the

43. In which document or writing is the "Bill of Rights" found?

44. Of which branch of government is a Supreme Court justice a part?
 Executive Legislative Judicial

45. If no person receives a majority of the electoral votes, the Vice President is chosen by the Senate.
 True False

46. Name two things which the states are forbidden to do by the U.S. Constitution:

47. If election of the President becomes the duty of the U.S. House of Representatives and it fails to act, who becomes President and when?

48. How many votes must a person receive in order to become President if the election is decided by the U.S. House of Representatives? _____

49. How many states were required to approve the original Constitution in order for it to be in effect? _____

50. Check the offenses which, if you are convicted of them, disqualify you for voting.

- Murder Issuing worthless checks
 Petty larceny Manufacturing whiskey

51. The Congress decides in what manner states elect presidential electors. True False

52. Name two of the purposes of the U.S. Constitution.

53. Congress is composed of _____.

54. All legislative powers granted in the U.S. Constitution may legally be used only by _____.

55. The population census is required to be made every _____ years.

56. Impeachments of U.S. officials are tried by:

57. If an effort to impeach the President of the U.S. is made, who presides at the trial?

58. On the impeachment of the chief justice of the Supreme court of the U.S., who tries the case?

59. Money is coined by order of:

- U.S. Congress The President's Cabinet
 State Legislatures

60. Persons elected to cast a state's vote for U.S. President and Vice President are called presidential

61. Name one power which is exclusively legislative and is mentioned in one of the parts of the Constitution above.

62. If a person flees from justice into another state, who has authority to ask for his return?

63. Whose duty is it to keep Congress informed of the state of the union?

64. If the two houses of Congress cannot agree on adjournment, who sets the time?

65. When presidential electors meet to cast ballots for President, must all electors in a state vote for the same person for President or can they vote for different persons if they so choose?

66. After the presidential electors have voted, to whom do they send the count of their votes?

67. The power to declare war is vested in:

68. Any power and rights not given to the U.S. or prohibited to the states by the U.S. Constitution are specified as belonging to whom?
