

**1. What is the supreme law of the land?**

QUESTION 1

**2. What does the Constitution do?**

QUESTION 2

**3. The idea of self-government is in the first three words of the Constitution. What are these words?**

QUESTION 3

**4. What is an amendment?**

QUESTION 4

**5. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?**

QUESTION 5

**6. What is one right or freedom from the First Amendment?\***

QUESTION 6

**7. How many amendments does the Constitution have?**

QUESTION 7

**8. What did the Declaration of Independence do?**

QUESTION 8

**9. What are two rights in the Declaration of Independence?**

QUESTION 9

**10. What is freedom of religion?**

QUESTION 10

sets up the government  
defines the government  
protects basic rights of Americans

the Constitution

a change (to the Constitution)  
an addition (to the Constitution)

We the People

speech  
religion  
assembly  
press  
petition the government

the Bill of Rights

announced our independence (from Great Britain)  
declared our independence (from Great Britain)  
said that the United States is free (from Great Britain)

twenty-seven (27)

You can practice any religion, or not practice a religion.

life  
liberty  
pursuit of happiness

**11. What is the economic system in the United States?\***

QUESTION 11

**12. What is the “rule of law”?**

QUESTION 12

**13. Name one branch or part of the government.\***

QUESTION 13

**14. What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?**

QUESTION 14

**15. Who is in charge of the executive branch?**

QUESTION 15

**16. Who makes federal laws?**

QUESTION 16

**17. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?\***

QUESTION 17

**18. How many U.S. Senators are there?**

QUESTION 18

**19. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?**

QUESTION 19

**20. Who is one of your state’s U.S. Senators now?\***

QUESTION 20

Everyone must follow the law.  
Leaders must obey the law.  
Government must obey the law.  
No one is above the law.

capitalist economy  
market economy

checks and balances  
separation of powers

Congress  
legislative  
President  
executive  
the courts  
judicial

Congress  
Senate and House (of Representatives)  
(U.S. or national) legislature

the President

one hundred (100)

the Senate and House (of Representatives)

Tammy Duckworth  
Dick Durbin*Updated for IL on 2022-10-04*

six (6)

**21. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?**

QUESTION 21

**22. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?**

QUESTION 22

**23. Name your U.S. Representative.**

QUESTION 23

**24. Who does a U.S. Senator represent?**

QUESTION 24

**25. Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?**

QUESTION 25

**26. We elect a President for how many years?**

QUESTION 26

**27. In what month do we vote for President?\***

QUESTION 27

**28. What is the name of the President of the United States now?\***

QUESTION 28

**29. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?**

QUESTION 29

**30. If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?**

QUESTION 30

two (2)

four hundred thirty-five (435)

all people of the state

Bobby Rush, Robin Kelly, Marie Newman, Jesus Garcia,  
Mike Quigley, Sean Casten, Danny K. Davis, Raja  
Krishnamoorthi, Jan Schakowsky, Brad Schneider, Bill Foster,  
Mike Bost, Rodney Davis, Lauren Underwood, Mary Miller,  
Adam Kinzinger, Cheri Bustos, Darin LaHood*Updated for IL  
on 2022-10-04*

four (4)

(because of) the state's population  
(because) they have more people  
(because) some states have more people

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.  
Joe Biden  
Biden

November

the Vice President

Kamala D. Harris  
Kamala Harris  
Harris

**31. If both the President and the Vice President can no longer serve, who becomes President?**

QUESTION 31

**32. Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?**

QUESTION 32

**33. Who signs bills to become laws?**

QUESTION 33

**34. Who vetoes bills?**

QUESTION 34

**35. What does the President's Cabinet do?**

QUESTION 35

**36. What are two Cabinet-level positions?**

QUESTION 36

**37. What does the judicial branch do?**

QUESTION 37

**38. What is the highest court in the United States?**

QUESTION 38

**39. How many justices are on the Supreme Court?**

QUESTION 39

**40. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States now?**

QUESTION 40

the President

the Speaker of the House

the President

the President

Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Commerce,  
Secretary of Defense, Secretary of Education, Secretary of  
Energy, Secretary of Health and Human Services, Secretary of  
Homeland Security, Secretary of Housing and Urban  
Development, Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of Labor,  
Secretary of State, Secretary of Transportation, Secretary of  
the Treasury, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Attorney General,  
Vice President

advises the President

the Supreme Court

reviews laws  
explains laws  
resolves disputes (disagreements)  
decides if a law goes against the Constitution

John Roberts  
John G. Roberts, Jr.

nine (9)



**41. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What is one power of the federal government?**

QUESTION 41

**42. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the states. What is one power of the states?**

QUESTION 42

**43. Who is the Governor of your state now?**

QUESTION 43

**44. What is the capital of your state?\***

QUESTION 44

**45. What are the two major political parties in the United States?\***

QUESTION 45

**46. What is the political party of the President now?**

QUESTION 46

**47. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now?**

QUESTION 47

**48. There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe one of them.**

QUESTION 48

**49. What is one responsibility that is only for United States citizens?\***

QUESTION 49

**50. Name one right only for United States citizens.**

QUESTION 50

provide schooling and education  
provide protection (police)  
provide safety (fire departments)  
give a driver's license  
approve zoning and land use

to print money  
to declare war  
to create an army  
to make treaties

Springfield

J.B. Pritzker*Updated for IL on 2022-10-04*

Democratic (Party)

Democratic and Republican

Citizens eighteen (18) and older (can vote).  
You don't have to pay (a poll tax) to vote.  
Any citizen can vote. (Women and men can vote.)  
A male citizen of any race (can vote).

Nancy Pelosi  
Pelosi

vote in a federal election  
run for federal office

serve on a jury  
vote in a federal election

**51. What are two rights of everyone living in the United States?**

QUESTION 51

**52. What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance?**

QUESTION 52

**53. What is one promise you make when you become a United States citizen?**

QUESTION 53

**54. How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?\***

QUESTION 54

**55. What are two ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?**

QUESTION 55

**56. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax forms?\***

QUESTION 56

**57. When must all men register for the Selective Service?**

QUESTION 57

**58. What is one reason colonists came to America?**

QUESTION 58

**59. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?**

QUESTION 59

**60. What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?**

QUESTION 60

the United States  
the flag

freedom of expression  
freedom of speech  
freedom of assembly  
freedom to petition the government  
freedom of religion  
the right to bear arms

eighteen (18) and older

give up loyalty to other countries  
defend the Constitution and laws of the United States  
obey the laws of the United States  
serve in the U.S. military (if needed)  
serve (do important work for) the nation (if needed)  
be loyal to the United States

April 15

vote, join a political party, help with a campaign, join a civic  
group, join a community group, give an elected official your  
opinion on an issue, call Senators and Representatives, publicly  
support or oppose an issue or policy, run for office, write to a  
newspaper

freedom  
political liberty  
religious freedom  
economic opportunity  
practice their religion  
escape persecution

at age eighteen (18)  
between eighteen (18) and twenty-six (26)

Africans  
people from Africa

American Indians  
Native Americans

**61. Why did the colonists fight the British?**

QUESTION 61

**62. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?**

QUESTION 62

**63. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?**

QUESTION 63

**64. There were 13 original states. Name three.**

QUESTION 64

**65. What happened at the Constitutional Convention?**

QUESTION 65

**66. When was the Constitution written?**

QUESTION 66

**67. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution. Name one of the writers.**

QUESTION 67

**68. What is one thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?**

QUESTION 68

**69. Who is the “Father of Our Country”?**

QUESTION 69

**70. Who was the first President?\***

QUESTION 70

(Thomas) Jefferson

because of high taxes (taxation without  
representation)  
because the British army stayed in their houses  
(boarding, quartering)  
because they didn't have self-government

New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut,  
New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland,  
Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia

July 4, 1776

1787

The Constitution was written.  
The Founding Fathers wrote the Constitution.

U.S. diplomat  
oldest member of the Constitutional Convention  
first Postmaster General of the United States  
writer of "Poor Richard's Almanac"  
started the first free libraries

(James) Madison  
(Alexander) Hamilton  
(John) Jay  
Publius

(George) Washington

(George) Washington

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**71. What territory did the United States buy from France in 1803?**

QUESTION 71

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**72. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s.**

QUESTION 72

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**73. Name the U.S. war between the North and the South.**

QUESTION 73

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**74. Name one problem that led to the Civil War.**

QUESTION 74

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**75. What was one important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?\***

QUESTION 75

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**76. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?**

QUESTION 76

AMERICAN HISTORY: B: 1800s

**77. What did Susan B. Anthony do?**

QUESTION 77

AMERICAN HISTORY: C: RECENT AMERICAN HISTORY AND OTHER IMPORTANT HISTORICAL INFORMATION

**78. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.\***

QUESTION 78

AMERICAN HISTORY: C: RECENT AMERICAN HISTORY AND OTHER IMPORTANT HISTORICAL INFORMATION

**79. Who was President during World War I?**

QUESTION 79

AMERICAN HISTORY: C: RECENT AMERICAN HISTORY AND OTHER IMPORTANT HISTORICAL INFORMATION

**80. Who was President during the Great Depression and World War II?**

QUESTION 80

War of 1812  
Mexican-American War  
Civil War  
Spanish-American War

the Louisiana Territory  
Louisiana

slavery  
economic reasons  
states' rights

the Civil War  
the War between the States

freed the slaves  
freed slaves in the Confederacy  
freed slaves in the Confederate states  
freed slaves in most Southern states

freed the slaves (Emancipation Proclamation)  
saved (or preserved) the Union  
led the United States during the Civil War

World War I  
World War II  
Korean War  
Vietnam War  
(Persian) Gulf War

fought for women's rights  
fought for civil rights

(Franklin) Roosevelt

(Woodrow) Wilson



**81. Who did the United States fight in World War II?**

QUESTION 81

**82. Before he was President, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?**

QUESTION 82

**83. During the Cold War, what was the main concern of the United States?**

QUESTION 83

**84. What movement tried to end racial discrimination?**

QUESTION 84

**85. What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?\***

QUESTION 85

**86. What major event happened on September 11, 2001, in the United States?**

QUESTION 86

**87. Name one American Indian tribe in the United States.**

QUESTION 87

**88. Name one of the two longest rivers in the United States.**

QUESTION 88

**89. What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States?**

QUESTION 89

**90. What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?**

QUESTION 90

World War II

Japan, Germany, and Italy

civil rights (movement)

Communism

Terrorists attacked the United States.

fought for civil rights  
worked for equality for all Americans

Missouri (River)  
Mississippi (River)

*USCIS Officers will be supplied with a list of federally recognized American*

, Cherokee, Navajo, Sioux, Chippewa, Choctaw, Pueblo,  
Apache, Iroquois, Creek, Blackfeet, Seminole, Cheyenne,  
Arawak, Shawnee, Mohegan, Huron, Oneida, Lakota,  
Crow...and 3 more

Atlantic (Ocean)

Pacific (Ocean)

**91. Name one U.S. territory.**

QUESTION 91

**92. Name one state that borders  
Canada.**

QUESTION 92

**93. Name one state that borders  
Mexico.**

QUESTION 93

**94. What is the capital of the United  
States?\***

QUESTION 94

**95. Where is the Statue of Liberty?\***

QUESTION 95

**96. Why does the flag have 13 stripes?**

QUESTION 96

**97. Why does the flag have 50 stars?\***

QUESTION 97

**98. What is the name of the national  
anthem?**

QUESTION 98

**99. When do we celebrate  
Independence Day?\***

QUESTION 99

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania,  
Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho,  
Washington, Alaska

Puerto Rico  
U.S. Virgin Islands  
American Samoa  
Northern Mariana Islands  
Guam

Washington, D.C.

California  
Arizona  
New Mexico  
Texas

because there were 13 original colonies  
because the stripes represent the original colonies

New York (Harbor)  
Liberty Island

*Also acceptable are New Jersey, near New York City, and on the Hudson*

The Star-Spangled Banner

because there is one star for each state  
because each star represents a state  
because there are 50 states

July 4