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United States History Test

\_\_\_1. The Constitutional Convention met in:

a)New York

b)Philadelphia

c)Washington, D.C.

d)Boston

\_\_\_2. The Articles of Confederation did not provide for:

a)courts

b)Congress

c)Laws

d)Making Treaties

\_\_3. The President of the meeting called to change the Articles of Confederation was:

a)James Madison

b)Robert Morris

c)George Washington

d)Benjamin Franklin

\_\_4. The number of men who signed the constitution was:

a)39

b)13

c)48

d)12

\_\_\_5. The number of main branches in our government is:

a)6

b)7

c)21

d)3

\_\_\_6. The legislative branch of our government is called:

a) The Cabinet

b)Congress

c)Supreme Court

d)FBI

\_\_7. The number of amendments the congress added to the constitution in 1791 was:

a)3

b)1

c)10

d)13

\_\_\_8. Laws for the United States are made by:

a)The President

b)Congress

c) The Senate

d) Supreme Court

\_\_\_9. Our country’s first constitution was called

a)Articles of Confederation

b)Declaration of Independence

c) Federalist Papers

d) Emancipation Proclamation

\_\_\_10 A member of the house of representatives must have been a citizen of the United States for at least how many years?

a)7

b)5

c)1

d)10

\_\_\_11. The speaker of the house is chosen by:

a)President

b)Senate

c)House of Representatives

d)Supreme Justice

\_\_\_\_\_12. Senators are now elected by:

a)State legislatures

b)State senators

c)The People

d)House of Representatives

\_\_\_13. The length of a term of a senator is:

a)2 years

b)4 years

c)6 Years

d)8 years

\_\_14. What does “popular sovereignty” mean?

a)Government gets its power from it people

b)Checks and balances are always needed in governments

c)Powers will be divided so that no part will become too powerful

d) All people are created equal

\_\_\_15. When was the Civil War?

a)1750-1800

b)1800-1850

c)1850-1900

d)1900-1950

\_\_\_16. Who said “Give me liberty or give me death?”

a)John Hancock

b)James Madison

c)Patrick Henry

d)Samuel Adams

\_\_\_17. The Missouri Compromise was the act that:

a) Funded the Lewis and Clark expedition on the upper Missouri River

b)Granted statehood to Missouri but denied the admission of any other states

c)Settled the boundary dispute between Missouri and Kansas

d)Admitted Maine into the Union as a free state and Missouri as a slave state

\_\_\_18. The Emancipation Proclamation issued by Lincoln state that

a)Slaves were free in areas of the Confederate states not held by the Union

b)The slave trade was illegal

c)Slaves who fled to Canada would be protected

d)Slavery was abolished in the Union

\_\_\_19. The purpose of the authors of “The Federalists” papers was to

a)establish a strong, free press in the colonies

b)Confirm George Washington’s election as the first president

c)Win foreign approval for the Revolutionary War

d) Gain ratification of the U.S. Constitution

\_\_\_20. Which document established the division of powers between the states and the federal government?

a)Marshall Plan

b)Constitution

c)Declaration of Independence

d) Articles of Confederation

\_\_\_\_21. What was the source of the following phrase: “Government of the people, by the people, and for the people”?

a)The “ I have a Dream” Speech

b)Declaration of Independence

c)U.S. Constitution

d) Gettysburg Address

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22. Who are the 4 presidents on Mount Rushmore?

23. How many stripes are on the American Flag?

24. Which was the first state?

25. Which President never belonged to a political party?