

## Government Final Review

1) The U. S. Constitution sets up a system of checks and balances to keep one branch of government from gaining too much power. One example is that the President appoints, but the Senate confirms, nominations to executive offices. Another example is that Congress \_\_\_\_\_ the law, but the Supreme Court \_\_\_\_\_ its constitutionality.

- A) makes, reviews
- B) reviews, makes
- C) reviews, confirms
- D) appoints, reviews

2) How does a free enterprise economic system differ from a communist economic system?

- A) free enterprise = little government control; communism = government control of all means of production
- B) free enterprise = government control of all means of production; communism = minimum government control
- C) free enterprise = government controls some means of production; communism = little government control
- D) free enterprise = total government control; communism = some government control

3) Which of the following MOST encourages entrepreneurship?

- F) socialism
- G) free enterprise
- H) communism
- J) feudalism

4) 435 members : \_\_\_\_\_ :: 100 members : \_\_\_\_\_

- F) committees ... House
- G) Senate ... committees
- H) Senate ... House
- J) House ... Senate

5) If the President does not like a law passed by Congress, he can \_\_\_\_\_ it. One way is to send it back to the legislature \_\_\_\_\_. The other way is to hold it for ten days after Congress adjourns. This is known as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) refuse ... unsigned ... lineitem veto
- B) veto ... unsigned ... pocket veto
- C) not accept ... immediately ... absolute power
- D) veto ... immediately ... lineitem Veto

6) How long is the term of office for a Supreme Court justice?

- A) life
- B) six years
- C) four years
- D) two years

7) How did the decision of *Miranda v. Arizona* impact accused persons?

- A) Accused people now must be made aware of their rights.
- B) Accused people now must be held in jail until trial.
- C) Accused people now do not have to worry about a trial.
- D) Accused people now may post a bond to be released from

8) Why is a free press a necessity in the United States?

- A) checks the power of the government
- B) equalizes the political party powers
- C) reports the news daily
- D) guarantees separation of powers

9) How does serving as a justice on the Texas Supreme Court differ from the U.S. Supreme Court?

- F) U.S. Supreme Court justices may serve for life, but Texas Supreme Court justices must retire at 80.
- G) The Texas Supreme Court has fewer members.
- H) Justices to the U.S. Supreme Court are appointed by the president, but justices to the Texas Supreme Court are elected.
- J) Justices on the U.S. Supreme Court must be confirmed by the U.S. Senate, but Texas Supreme Court justices are confirmed by the Texas House of Representatives.

10) Both the U.S. Constitution and the Texas Constitution contain —

- F) the principles of limited government, separation of powers, checks and balances, and protection of states' rights
- G) the principles of freedom of choice, limited government, separation between the House of Representatives and the Senate, checks and balances, and protection of individual rights
- H) the principles of executive privilege, limited democracy, separation of powers, checks and balances, and protection of states' rights
- J) the principles of popular sovereignty, limited government, separation of powers, checks and balances, and protection of individual rights

11) Who was the enlightenment thinker who stated that government is meant to protect the people, mainly by protecting life, liberty, and property ?

- a) Bill Clinton
- b) John Locke
- c) Thomas Jefferson
- d) Aaron Burr

12) How many Presidents have been impeached?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

13) Circle the president that has been impeached.

- a) Richard Nixon
- b) George Bush
- c) Andrew Johnson
- d) Theodore Roosevelt

14)

- Public ownership of most land and the means of production
- Government control over most economic decisions
- Equal distribution of wealth
- Workers share equally in benefits for production

These describe which economic system-

- a) Capitalism
- b) Socialism
- c) Communism

15) The role of the Executive Branch is to-

- a) Make laws
- b) Carry out laws
- c) Interpret laws

16) The role of the Legislative branch is to-

- a) Make laws
- b) Carry out laws
- c) Interpret laws

17) The role of the judicial branch is to-

- a) Make laws
- b) Carry out laws
- c) Interpret laws

18)

- Autocracy- rule of one person
- Oligarchy- rule by few people
- Democracy- rule by many people

Who was the ancient Greek philosopher who identified these three types of government?

- a) Socrates
- b) Aristotle
- c) Anthony Kiedis
- d) Gareth Bale

19) How many branches make up the U.S. government?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

20) Who is the head of the executive branch?

- a) The speaker of the house
- b) The vice president
- c) The president
- d) Chief justice

21) Congress is considered to be what branch of government?

- a) Judicial Branch
- b) Legislative Branch
- c) Executive Branch

22) Congress is made up of how many chambers?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

23) How many senators represent each state?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

24) What Supreme Court case made the decision of ruling "separate but equal?"

- a) Plessy v. Ferguson
- b) Roe v. Wade
- c) Marbury v. Madison

25) What Supreme Court case established judicial review?

- a) Plessy v. Ferguson
- b) Roe v. Wade
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26) What Supreme Court case made abortion legal?

- a) Plessy v. Ferguson
- b) Roe v. Wade
- c) Marbury v. Madison

27) How many times has the U.S. constitution been amended?

- a) 12
- b) 15
- c) 26
- d) 27

28) How many articles are there in the U.S. Constitution?

- a) 1
- b) 5
- c) 7
- d) 9

29) Article 1 establishes which branch of government?

- a) Legislative Branch
- b) Executive Branch
- c) Judicial Branch

30) Article II establishes which branch of government?

- a) Legislative Branch
- b) Executive Branch
- c) Judicial Branch

31) Article III establishes which branch of government?

- a) Legislative Branch
- b) Executive Branch
- c) Judicial Branch

32) Courts have the power to declare laws invalid if they violate the Constitution. What is this?

- a) Popular sovereignty
- b) Federalism
- c) Judicial review

33) The first 10 amendments of the Constitution - \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) Bill of Rights
- b) Mayflower compact
- c) English Bill of Rights

34) Freedom of speech, religion, and press are protected by which amendment?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3

35) The second amendment-

- a) Protects freedom of speech
- b) Protects the right to privacy
- c) Protects the right to bear arms

36) The senate may use obstruction tactics, usually prolonged speech making, for the purpose of delaying legislation. This tactic is referred to as-

- a) Gerrymandering
- b) Filibuster
- c) Reapportionment

True/False- Write if the statement is true or false

\_\_\_\_\_ 37) President Nixon was impeached.

\_\_\_\_\_ 38) Gerrymandering is when voter registration information is used to draw districts for political advantage.

\_\_\_\_\_ 39) you have to be a naturalized born citizen in the United States in order to be President.

\_\_\_\_\_ 40) The president nominates cabinet members and the chief justice confirms them.

\_\_\_\_\_ 41) The Federal Bureaucracy is a part of the Legislative Branch.

\_\_\_\_\_ 42) The Supreme Court is the highest Federal Court in the U.S.

\_\_\_\_\_ 43) The Republican party in the United States is represented by a donkey.

\_\_\_\_\_ 44) a theocracy is a one party system dominated by a religion or religious leaders

\_\_\_\_\_ 45) the three levels of government are local, state, and national

46) What natural rights are listed in the Declaration of Independence?

- A) Justice, freedom, equality
- B) Liberty, equality, fraternity
- C) Life, liberty, pursuit of happiness
- J) Freedoms of speech, the press, assembly, and petition

47) The Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution describes the rights possessed by —

- A) Women
- B) Minority groups
- C) Newly naturalized citizens
- D) People accused of a crime

48) What is a requirement to vote in the state of Texas?

- A) Valid driver's license
- B) Proof of identification
- C) Evidence of having paid taxes
- D) Registration to a political party



49) Which of the following are powers granted to the Senate alone?

- A) Reserved powers
- B) Budget and finance powers
- C) Advise and consent powers
- D) Health and environment power

- Must be 25 years of age
- Must have been a citizen for the last seven years
- Must live in the state represented

50) All of the following requirements listed above are for members serving in —

- A Senate
- B Cabinet
- C Supreme Court
- D House of Representatives

51) George Washington set the precedent of having a group of close advisers, called the Cabinet, help him make decisions. Since that time, Cabinet members have become very important as both advisors and administrators. How are they placed in office?

- A) They are elected every two years.
- B) They are nominated at the party's national convention.
- C) They are appointed by the President and confirmed by the House.
- D) They are nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

52) Which of the following government actions can be taken to protect domestic business and industry from inexpensive foreign goods?

- A) Impose tariffs on imports
- B) Establish free trade zones
- C) Provide amnesty to foreign-born workers
- D) Grant foreign aid to underdeveloped nations

53) Which duty of the vice president is described in the U.S. Constitution?

- A) President of the Senate
- B) Liaison to the Supreme Court
- C) Domestic policy adviser to the President
- D) U.S. special ambassador to the United Nations

54) Which issue would be handled in the federal court system?

- A) Copyright cases
- B) Misdemeanor cases
- C) Marriage certificates
- D) Automobile moving violation

55) How did the Supreme Court apply First Amendment protections to the decision of Engel v. Vitale?

- A) Newspapers may print the facts liberally under freedom of press.
- B) Protesters have the right of free speech as long as they are peaceful.
- C) Students are not required to pray in school under the establishment clause.
- D) Adults have the freedom to choose their religion under the free exercise clause.

56) Which political idea is based on the belief that citizens must be willing to give up some freedoms in exchange for the protection of rights?

- A) Divine right
- B) Natural rights
- C) Social contract
- D) Rule by the majority

That military powers of the Commander in Chief were not to supersede representative government of internal affairs seems obvious from the Constitution and from elementary American history. Time out of mind, and even now, in many parts of the world, a military commander can seize private housing to shelter his troops. Not so, however, in the United States, for the Third Amendment says.

—Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. v. Sawyer (1952)

57) Which protection in the Bill of Rights is described in the excerpt?

- A) Right to own and bear arms
- B) Right to trial by jury of peers
- C) Freedom from unreasonable searches
- D) Freedom from forced quartering of soldiers

58) When Barack Obama was elected President of the United States, he was a senator from Illinois. How was his vacated Senate seat filled?

- A) The Illinois governor named his replacement.
- B) The Illinois legislature named his replacement.
- C) President Obama named his own replacement.
- D) Illinois held a special election for his replacement

[H]e shall have Power to grant Reprieves and Pardons for Offences against the United States, except in Cases of Impeachment.

— Article II, Section 2, U.S Constitution

59) Which of the following is an example of a president exercising the power described in the excerpt above?

- A) President George W. Bush adds a new member to the Cabinet.
- B) President Carter sends military forces to Iran to rescue American hostages.
- C) President Truman removes General MacArthur as leader of American forces in Korea.
- D) President Ford announces Nixon will not be charged with any crimes from Watergate.

- Exclusive
- Concurrent
- Original
- Appellate

60) Which of the following best describes the list above?

- A) Types of Courts
- B) Types of Judges
- C) Types of Rulings
- D) Types of Jurisdiction

