

CONSTITUTIONAL SCAVENGER HUNT

Directions – Use Section the Constitution in your textbook to answer the following questions.

ARTICLE I

1) How old does a Representative have to be? _____ How many years are in one term? _____

2) How old does a Senator have to be? _____ How many years are in one term? _____

3) Who breaks a tie in Senate votes?

4) How many representatives does each state have in Congress (House of Representatives and Senate)?

5) Where do bills concerning taxes (“revenue”) originate?

6) What fraction of Congressional members is needed to override a presidential veto?

ARTICLE II

7) What are the three key qualifications for being President?

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8) What would a President have to do in order to get impeached and removed from office?

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ARTICLE III

9) How long is the term in office of a Supreme Court justice or a federal judge?

10) In what kind of cases does the Supreme Court have original jurisdiction?

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11) What sort of action is considered treason? What proof is needed to convict a person of treason?

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ARTICLE IV

12) What does this article mean?

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ARTICLE V

13) How many states are needed to amend the Constitution?

ARTICLE VI

14) What is “the supreme law of the land?”

BILL OF RIGHTS (Amendments 1 – 10)

15) What are the five freedoms listed in the first amendment?

A) _____

B) _____

C) _____

D) _____

E) _____

AMENDMENTS 11 – 27

16) If no candidate receives a majority of votes in the Electoral College, then who chooses the President?

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17) What did Congress make illegal in Amendment 18? When was this Amendment repealed?

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18) What amendment gave women the right to vote? When did this amendment pass?

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19) According to the 22nd Amendment, how many terms can a president serve?

20) What amendment lowered the voting age to 18? When did this amendment pass?

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21) The Constitution was last amended in 1992. What does the most recent amendment state?

WHAT PART OF THE DOCUMENT?

P – Preamble

A – Articles

B – Bill of Rights

AM – Amendments

22) _____ A 35-year old women from Idaho is running for a seat in the House of Representatives. She immigrated to the United States fifteen years ago and became a U.S. citizen six years later.

23) _____ We live in a country that assures justice for all and freedom for ourselves and future Americans.

- 24) _____ Congress can't ask a citizen of Oregon to pay more federal taxes than his cousin does who lives in Texas.
- 25) _____ In this country, the police must have a search warrant to search your home.
- 26) _____ A 40-year old man, who was born in the United States, announces his decision to run for President.
- 27) _____ A senator did not like a ruling made by one of the Supreme Court justices. This senator cannot write a bill that would reduce the judge's salary or remove him or her from office.
- 28) _____ It is the job of the executive branch of the U.S. government to make sure citizens obey the law.
- 29) _____ If a person breaks the law in Florida and escapes to Alabama, Alabama is required to send the criminal back to Florida. States must work together and respect each others laws.
- 30) _____ You can speak out against any political issue with which you disagree without fear of punishment.
- 31) _____ If you did something two years ago that is now against the law but wasn't then, you cannot be charged or sentenced for this past action.
- 32) _____ Slavery will never again be allowed in the United States.
- 33) _____ If the president becomes ill, he can temporarily give his powers to the vice-president until he is better.
- 34) _____ The power of the government is divided into three branches.
- 35) _____ Your newspaper can print whatever is important to people, without government censorship.