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A: Principles of American Democracy

1. What is the supreme law of the land?
   - the Constitution

2. What does the Constitution do?
   - sets up the government
   - defines the government
   - protects basic rights of Americans

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

4. What is an amendment?
   - a change (to the constitution)
   - an addition (to the Constitution)

5. What do we call the first ten Amendments to the Constitution?
   - the Bill of Rights

6. What one right or freedom from the First Amendment?*
   - speech
   - religion
   - assembly
   - press
   - petition the government

7. How many amendments does the Constitution have?
   - twenty-seven (27)

8. What did the Declaration of Independence do?
announced our independence (from Great Britain)
declared our independence (from Great Britain)
said that the United States is free (from Great Britain)

9. What are two rights in the Declaration of Independence?
   life (ဗောင်းသောစီးခွင်)
   liberty (ဗောင်းသောစီးခွင်)
   pursuit of happiness (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)

10. What is freedom of religion?
    You can practice any religion, or not practice a religion.

11. What is the economic system in the United States?*
    capitalist economy (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    market economy (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)

12. What is the “rule of law”?
    Everyone must follow the law (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    Leaders must obey the law (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    Government must obey the law (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    No one is above the law (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)

B: System of Government အိုးသောစီးခွင်

13. Name one branch or part of the government.*
    Congress (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    legislative (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    President (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    executive (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    the courts (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)
    judicial (အိုးသောစီးခွင်)

14. What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?
15. Who is in charge of the executive branch?
   (၀င်ရာဇာစစ်ကို စစ်တိုးတွင် မှု့ပေးနေသူ)
   ▪ the President (နိုင်ငံရေးသား)

16. Who makes federal laws?
   (ပြည်ထောင်စု အာဏာရေးဌာန မှ ပြုလုပ်ခြင်း)
   ▪ Congress (ဝန်ကြီးဌာန)
   ▪ Senate and House (of representatives) (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန အစည်းအဝေး)
   ▪ (U.S. or national) legislature (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စုတို့)

17. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?*
   (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
   ▪ the Senate and House of Representatives
     (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)

18. How many U.S. Senators are there?
   (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
   ▪ one hundred (100) စစ်တိုး

19. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?
   (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
   ▪ six (6) နှစ်

20. What is one of your state’s U.S. Senators now?*
    (အေဒီ အစိုးရ ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
    ▪ Todd Young (နိုင်ငံရေးသား)
    ▪ Mike Braun (နိုင်ငံရေးသား)

21. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?
    (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
    ▪ four hundred thirty-five (435) ရှိသည်။

22. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?
    (ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန ပြည်ထောင်စု ဝန်ကြီးဌာန နှစ်ပိုင်း)
    ▪ two year (2) နှစ်

23. Name your U.S. Representative.
24. Who does a U.S Senator represent?
- all people of the state

25. Why do some states have more representatives than other states?
- (because of) the state’s population
- (because of) they have more people
- (because) some states have more people

26. We elect a President of how many years?
- four

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

28. What is the name of the President of the United States now?*
- Joe Biden

29. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?
- Kamala Harris

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

31. If both the President and the Vice President can no longer serve, who becomes President?
- the Speaker of the House

32. Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?
- the President
33. Who signs bills to become laws?
   - the President

34. Who vetoes bills?
   - the President

35. What does the President’s Cabinet do?
   - advises the President

36. What are two Cabinet-level positions?
   - secretary of State
   - secretary of Labor
   - secretary of Agriculture
   - secretary of Education
   - secretary of Defense

37. What does the judicial branch do?
   - reviews laws
   - explains laws
   - resolves disputes (disagreements)
   - decides if a law goes against the Constitution

38. What is the highest court in the United States?
   - The Supreme Court

39. How many judges are on the Supreme Court?
   - Nine (9)

40. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States now?
   - John G. Roberts
41. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What is one power of the federal government?
- to print money
- to declare war
- to create an army
- to make treaties

42. Under our constitution, some powers belong to the states. What is one power of the states?
- provide schooling and education
- provide protection (police)
- provide safety (fire departments)
- give a driver’s license
- provide protection (police)

43. Who is the Governor of your state now?
- Eric Holcomb

44. What is the capital of your state?*
- Indianapolis

45. What are the two major political parties in the United States?*
- Democratic and Republican

46. What is the political party of the President now?
- Democratic Party

47. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives?
- Nancy Pelosi

C: Rights and Responsibilities

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

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

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

- serve on a jury
- vote in a federal election

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

- vote in a federal election
- run for federal office

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

- freedom of expression
- freedom of speech
- freedom of assembly
- freedom of religion
- the right to bear arms

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

- the United States
- the flag

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

- give up royalty 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)
- be loyal to the United States
54. How old do citizens have to be to vote for president?*
(ဗိုလ်ချုပ်မှူးကြီးကြည့်ရှုရန် သဘာဝအသစ် ပြုပြင်မှု)
- eighteen (18) and older (၁၈ တန်ဖိုး အထက်)

55. What are two ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?
(အမေရိကန်ကျောင်းသားများ လေ့လာစေရန် သင်္ကေတ နှစ် ခု)
- vote (ပြောင်းလဲ)
- join a political party (မှတ်ချက်စုစည်း)
- help with a campaign (အကြိုက်ဆုံးယဉ်ကျေးမှု)
- join a civic group (သို့ခင်ဥနပ်စု)
- join a community group (ကိုယ်စားလှယ်စု)
- give an elected official your opinion on an issue (အမှတ်တာသူများကို သူတို့၏ နိုင်ငံရေး အချက်)
- call Senators and Representatives (မြောက်ရိုစိုချီးမှုများကို ရှင်းမေ့ချဝါ)
- publicly support or oppose an issue or policy (ပေးဆောင်သော အားကြီး အားဆုံး မှတ်ချက်)

56. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax forms?*
(အမေရိကန်အနုစိုမှုမှု မှန်ကန်ပေးနေသော ကြည့်ရှုရန် အချက်)
- April 15 (၄၅ ရက်)

AMERICAN HISTORY (အမေရိကန်ကြည့်ရှု)

A: Colonial Period and Independence (အမေရိကန်ပြည်သူ့ဖွဲ့စည်း ၊ မိန့်မိန်းချင်း)

57. When must all men register for the selective service?
(နှစ်သက်ပြင်ဆင်ခြင်းအဖွဲ့ မှန်ကန်ပေးသော မှန်ကန်ပေးနေသော မှန်ကန်ပေးနေသော)
- at age eighteen (18) - ပြည်သူ့ ၁၈ တန်ဖိုး
- between eighteen (18) and twenty-six (26) - ပြည်သူ့ ၁၈ တန်ဖိုး တွင် ၂၆ တန်ဖိုးအထိ

58. What is one reason colonists came to America?
(အမေရိကန်ကြည့်ရှုရန် များရှိသော နေထိုင်ရေး အချက်)
- freedom (သိမ်းဆောင်မှု)
- political liberty (မှတ်ချက်စုစည်း)
- religious freedom (ဆိုးရိုက်စုစည်း)
- economic opportunity (နိုင်ငံရေးနှင့် အချက်)
- practice their religion (ဆိုးရိုက်စုစည်း)
- escape persecution (ဖျင်ထွတ်စွားရောက်)

59. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?
(အမေရိကန်ကြည့်ရှုရန် အနေဖြင့် အိုင်းရုပ်တု)

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

- Africans
- people from Africa

61. Why did the colonists fight the British?

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

62. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?

- Thomas Jefferson

63. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?

- July 4, 1776

64. There were 13 original states. Name three.

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

65. What happened at the Constitutional Convention?

- The Constitution was written
- The Founding Fathers wrote the Constitution
66. When was the constitution written?
- 1787

67. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S Constitution. Name one of the writers.
- (James) Madison
- (Alexander) Hamilton
- (John) Jay
- Publius

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

69. Who is the “Father of Our Country”? 
- George Washington

70. Who was the first President?
- George Washington

B: 1800s

71. What territory did the United States buy from France in 1803?
- the Louisiana Territory
- Louisiana

72. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s.
- War of 1812
- Mexican-American War
- Civil War
73. Name the U.S. war between the North and the South.  
- the Civil War
- the War between the States

74. Name one problem that led to the Civil War.  
- slavery
- economic reasons
- states’ rights

75. What was one important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?*  
- freed the slaves (Emancipation Proclamation)

76. What did the Emancipation Proclamation?  
- freed the slaves
- freed slaves in the Confederate states
- freed slaves in most Southern states

77. What did the Susan B. Anthony do?  
- fought for women’s rights
- fought for civil rights

C: Recent American History and Other Important Historical Information

78. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.*  
- World War I
- World War II
- Korean War
- Vietnam War
- (Persian) Gulf War

79. Who was President during World War I?  

- [Answer: Woodrow Wilson]
80. Who was President during the Great Depression and World War II?
(Woodrow) Wilson (Woodrow Wilson)

81. Who did the United States fight in World War II?
Japan, Germany, and Italy

82. Before he was president, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?
World War II

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

84. What movement tried to end racial discrimination?
civil rights (movement)

85. What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?*
fought for civil rights
worked for equality for all Americans

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

87. Name one American Indian tribe in the United States.
Cherokee
Navajo
Sioux
Chippewa
Choctaw
Pueblo
Apache
Iroquois
- Creek
- Blackfeet
- Seminole
- Cheyenne
- Arawak
- Shawnee
- Mohegan
- Huron
- Oneida
- Lakota
- Crow
- Teton
- Hopi
- Inuit

A: Geography

88. Name one of the two longest rivers in the United States.
- Missouri (River)
- Mississippi (River)

89. What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States?
- Pacific Ocean

90. What ocean is on the East Coast of United States?
- Atlantic Ocean

91. Name one U.S territory.
- Puerto Rico
- U.S Virgin Islands
- American Samoa
- Northern Mariana Islands
- Guam

92. Name one state that borders Canada.
- Maine
- New Hampshire
- Vermont
- New York (ニューヨーク州)
- Pennsylvania (ペンシルバニア州)
- Ohio (オハイオ州)
- Michigan (ミシガン州)
- Minnesota (ミネソタ州)
- North Dakota (ノースダコタ州)
- Montana (モンタナ州)
- Idaho (イダホ州)
- Washington (ワシントン州)
- Alaska (アラスカ州)

93. Name one state that borders Mexico. (ある州を挙げてメキシコと国境を接する州を挙げなさい)
- California (カリフォルニア州)
- Arizona (アリゾナ州)
- New Mexico (ニューメキシコ州)
- Texas (テキサス州)

94. What is the capital of the United States?* (アメリカ合衆国の首都は？)
- Washington, D.C. (ワシントンD.C.)

95. Where is the Statue of Liberty?* (自由の女神はどこにありますか？)
- New York (ハーバー) (ニューヨーク州)
- Liberty Island (リバティ・アイランド)

B: Symbols シンボルズ

96. Why does the flag have 13 stripes? (なぜ国旗には13本のストライプがありますか？)
- because there were 13 original colonies (13の元の植民地があったから)
- because the stripes represent the original colonies (ストライプは元の植民地を表している)

97. Why does the flag have 50 stars? (なぜ国旗には50つある星がありますか？)
- because there is one star for each state (各州ごとに1つあるから)
- because each star represents a state (各星は州を表している)
- because there are 50 states (50の州があるから)

98. What is the name of the national anthem? (国歌の名前は何ですか？)
- Star-Spangled Banner
C: Holidays

99. When do we celebrate Independence Day?*
   (ვერსად, აღიარებთ დღეს, როგორც დღე დამახასიათებელი)
   ▪ July 4 (4 ივლის)

100. Name two national holidays. (შეიტანით ცის ეროვნული ლოკალური)
   ▪ New Year’s Day (დაწყების დღე)
   ▪ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (მარი ლუთერ ქინგ ეი ჯი დღე)
   ▪ Presidents’ Day (პრეზიდენტების დღე)
   ▪ Memorial Day (კონკლანდების დღე)
   ▪ Independence Day (აღიარების დღე)
   ▪ Labor Day (მუშაობის დღე)
   ▪ Columbus Day (კოლუმბუსის დღე)
   ▪ Veterans Day (შემოსავალის დღე)
   ▪ Thanksgiving (გიგანტური თანკუების დღე)
   ▪ Christmas (წმინდა მართლის დღე)

*If you are 65 years old or older and have been a legal permanent resident of the United States for 20 or more years, you may study just the questions that have been marked with an asterisk. (თუ თქვენ 65 წლის ასაკიან ადამიანი და მოსამოსილ ჯილდოსადგურს აშენებით 20 წლის გრძელმოღვტელ ქალაქს, თქვენ სპეციფიკური შესარჩევებლების ლივრით აღლათ მხოლოდ იმ შეკრულებებს, რომელთა საგზაო მნიშვნელობა ზემოთ აღნიშნული აქტი იქნება.)

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