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Crash Course U.S. Government

Final Assessment Part 2 (Principles of Democracy)

For each question, circle the correct answers below.

1. What is the supreme law of the land?

- a) the Constitution
- c) the Congress

- b) the President
- d) the Bill of Rights

2. What does the Constitution do?

- a) protects basic rights of Americans
- c) changes the laws

- b) gives the President total control
- d) petitions the government

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

- a) God Bless America
- c) We the People

- b) The Bill of Rights
- d) Pursuit of Happiness

4. What is an amendment?

- a) A law (from the Constitution)
- c) A change (to the Constitution)

- b) A bill (against the Constitution)
- d) A right (in the Constitution)

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

- a) The Constitution
- c) The Preamble

- b) The Bill of Rights
- d) The Rule of Law

6. What is one right or freedom of the First Amendment?

- a) vote
- c) bear arms

- b) speech
- d) own land

7. How many amendments does the Constitution have?

- a) 50
- c) 42

- b) 100
- d) 27

8. What did the Declaration of Independence do?

- a) declared our independence from Great Britain
- b) emancipate women
- b) abolish slavery
- d) said the United States is a British colony

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

- a) life and the American dream
- c) liberty and freedom
- b) life and liberty
- d) freedom of assembly and sovereignty

10. What is freedom of religion?

- a) you cannot practice a religion
- c) you can only practice religion on Sundays
- b) you have to practice a religion
- d) you can practice any religion, or not practice a religion

11. What is the economic system of the United States?

- a) communist economy
- c) socialist economy
- b) capitalist economy
- d) libertarian economy

12. What is the rule of law?

- a) all laws must be the same in every state
- c) life and liberty
- b) leaders are above the law
- d) everyone must follow the law

13. There are 4 amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe one of them.

- a) citizens 16 and older can vote
- c) only men can vote
- b) citizens 18 and older can vote
- d) you have to pay a poll tax to vote

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

- a) pay taxes
- c) petition the government
- b) serve in the army
- d) vote in a federal election

15. Name one right that is only for United States citizens?

- a) freedom of assembly
- c) the right to bear arms
- b) running for federal office
- d) owning land

16. What are two rights that belong to everyone who lives in the United States?

- a) freedom to run for federal office and freedom to petition the government
- b) freedom to vote in a federal election and freedom of assembly
- c) freedom to serve on a jury and freedom to worship
- d) freedom of expression and freedom of speech

17. What do we pledge loyalty to in the Pledge of Allegiance?

- a) the United States
- b) the President
- c) the Queen of England
- d) the U.S. armed forces

18. What is a promise someone makes when they become a U.S. citizen?

- a) to vote
- b) to pay taxes
- c) to obey the laws of the United States
- d) to bear arms

19. How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?

- a) 18 and older
- b) 17 and older
- c) 21 and older
- d) 25 and older

20. What are two ways Americans can participate in their democracy?

- a) join a civic group and serve on a jury
- b) join the army and help with a campaign
- c) run for office and pay taxes
- d) vote and join a political party

21. Why does the flag have 13 stripes?

- a) because the Revolutionary War lasted 13 years
- b) because there were 13 Founding Fathers
- c) because there are 13 signatures on the Constitution
- d) because there were 13 original colonies

22. Why does the flag have 50 stars?

- a) because the Constitution has 50 amendments
- b) because there are 50 states
- c) because there were 50 original colonies
- d) because there are 50 senators

23. What is the name of the national anthem?

- a) God Bless America
- b) We the People
- c) The Star-Spangled Banner
- d) God Save the Queen

24. When do we celebrate Independence Day?

- a) January 1
- b) April 15
- c) July 4
- d) November 11

25. Name two national United States holidays.

- a) President's Day and Thanksgiving
- b) Veterans Day and Boxing Day
- c) Labor Day and Spring Break
- d) Columbus Day and Citizen's Day

Answers

1. a

2. a

3. c

4. c

5. b

6. b

7. d

8. a

9. b

10. d

11. b

12. d

13. b

14. d

15. b

16. d

17. a

18. c

19. a

20. d

21. d

22. b

23. c

24. c

25. a