



Freestone Park Constitution Week

Newsletter

Today's topic:

What do you know about the Constitution?

1. What two bodies hold all Legislative powers under the Constitution?
2. How often are members of the House elected?
3. How old do you have to be to run for the Senate?
4. How long do you have to have been a citizen of the U.S. to run for the House of Representatives?
5. How many Senators does each state have?
6. Can the Supreme Court impeach a Congressman?
7. What is the minimum number of members of the House of Representatives from any state?
8. Where do all tax bills originate?
9. If a congressman dies, who must arrange for the election of his replacement?
10. Can a Congressman get away with speeding on his way home from Capitol Hill?
11. How often does Congress have to meet?
12. What majority is required to over ride a President's Veto?
13. Does Congress have the power to coin money?
14. Does Congress have the power borrow money?
15. How far in advance can Congress appropriate money for the military?

16. Who is the legislative body for Washington D.C.?
17. Can Arizona sign a peace treaty with China without Congress' approval?
18. Can you be named the Prince of Arizona by Congress? (Can you be knighted by the Queen of England?)
19. Is the Congressional Record required by the Constitution?
20. When does the Vice President vote in the Senate?
21. How long is the Vice Presidents term?
22. How many electors are there (the specific number)? (Hint - There are 435 members of the House of Representatives and 50 States)
23. How long do you have to have been a citizen to be President?
24. Can Congress give President Bush a pay raise?
25. Can Congress give President Bush a pay cut?
26. Can the President take control of the Arizona National Guard?
27. Can President Bush pardon traitors, or other enemies of the State?
28. Who must approve all treaties?
29. If the President of Russia makes a State visit to the U.S. who should receive him?
30. Does the President have to be sworn in by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?
31. How long do Federal judges serve?
32. Can a Supreme Court judge get a raise?
33. Can a Supreme Court judge get a pay cut?
34. If you are granted a Drivers license in Arizona are other states required to honor it?
35. If you rob a bank in Arizona, go to prison, escape, and run to Nevada, can they forgive your sentence?
36. Can Arizona and New Mexico join as a single state as long as both legislatures agree?
37. If the Legislature names Gov. Napolitano dictator for life in Arizona, can the federal government legally stop them?
38. How many states are needed to call a Constitutional convention? (Hint - There are 50 States)
39. How many states are needed to ratify an amendment? (Hint - There are 50 States)
40. On what date was the Constitution signed by the Convention?

Answer yes or no and state the amendment to the Constitution that gives the answer.

41. If I take you to court for damaging my \$15 CD, do you have a right to a trial by jury?
42. If Canada invades us, can Congress pass a law saying we have to let troops stay in our houses?
43. Can you be executed for murder without a trial?
44. Do we have the right to own guns?
45. Can President Bush require us to worship Laura?
46. Can you be tortured in order to pay for your crimes?
47. If instead, you are arrested for stealing the CD in question 41, found innocent and released, then the police find new evidence that you are guilty, can the courts arrest you and put you on trial again?
48. If there is evidence (and a legal search warrant) that you are planning to overthrow the Bush Administration, can the government come in and confiscate your equipment and guns?
49. Can you publicly say that President Bush is a freeloader, in fact, can you (try to) call him and tell him so?
50. If you are poor, does the government have to give you a lawyer to defend yourself for trying to overthrow the government?
51. Since the right to play contact sports isn't listed in the Constitution is football "unconstitutional"?
52. Can the State of Arizona outlaw Football?
53. Can the State of Arizona outlaw trial by jury?
54. Can the government ask you to keep troops in your home in a time of peace?
55. Can Congress pass themselves an immediate pay raise to cover the higher cost of travel?

Just answer these questions:

56. How many amendments were originally proposed in the Bill of Rights?
57. How many of those proposed amendments are part of the Constitution today?
58. What amendment abolished poll taxes?
59. What Amendment gives Arizona the right to refuse citizens of other states the ability to sue it without their consent? (i.e. A citizen of Utah [or a foreign country] cannot sue Arizona unless the State agrees to be sued.)
60. What was changed by the 12th Amendment?
61. What Amendment does the 21st Amendment nullify?
62. What does the 22nd Amendment do?
63. What does the 26th Amendment do?
64. If you were born in Puerto Rico, what Amendment guarantees your US citizenship?
65. What Amendment allows D.C. residents to vote for President?
66. What does the 15th Amendment guarantee?
67. What Amendment banned slavery?
68. What Amendment allowed for a national income tax?
69. What Amendment changed the first Day of Congressional sessions from December to January?
70. What Amendment moved the Presidential inauguration to January 20th?
71. What does the 17th amendment provide for?
72. What Amendment guaranteed Women the right to vote?
73. What Amendment prohibits the President and Vice President both being citizens of the same state?
74. What Amendment provided for an orderly transition of power in the case of death or severe disability of the President?
75. Who was the author of the 27th Amendment?