Citizenship Interview Questions

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1. What are the colors of our flag?

Red, White, and Blue

2. How many stars are there in our flag?

50

3. What color are the stars on our flag?

White

4. What do the stars on the flag mean?

One for each state in the Union

5. How many stripes are there in the flag?

13

6. What color are the stripes?

Red and White

7. What do the stripes on the flag mean?

They represent the original 13 states

8. How many states are there in the Union?

50

9. What is the 4th of July?

Independence Day.

10. What is the date of Independence Day?

July 4th

11. Independence from whom?

Great Britain

12. What country did we fight during the Revolutionary War?

Great Britain

13. Who was the first President of the United States?

George Washington

14. Who is the President of the United States today?

Barack Obama

15. Who is the Vice-President of the United States today?

Joe Biden

16. Who elects the President of the United States?

The Electoral College

17. Who becomes President of the United States if the President should die?

Vice - President

18. For how long do we elect the President?

Four years

19. What is the Constitution?

The Supreme Law of the land

20. Can the Constitution be changed?

Yes

21. What do we call a change to the Constitution?

An Amendment

22. How many changes or amendments are there to the Constitution?

27

23. How many branches are there in our government?

3

24. What are the three branches of our government?

Legislative, Executive, and Judiciary

25. What is the legislative branch of our government?

Congress

26. Who makes the laws in the United States?

Congress

27. What is the Congress?

The Senate and the House of Representatives

28. What are the duties of Congress?

To make laws

29. Who elects the Congress?

The people

30. How many senators are there in Congress?

100

31. Can you name the two senators from your state?

(insert local information)

32. For how long do we elect each senator?

6 years

33. How many representatives are there in Congress?

435

34. For how long do we elect the representatives?

2 years

35. What is the Executive branch of our government?

The President, Vice President, Cabinet, and departments under the Cabinet members

36. What is the Judiciary branch of our government?

The Supreme Court

37. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?

To interpret laws

38. What is the Supreme Court law of the United States?

The Constitution

39. What is the Bill of Rights?

The first 10 amendments of the Constitution

40. What is the capital of your state?

(insert local information)

41. Who is the current governor of your state?

(insert local information)

42. Who becomes President of the United States if the President and the Vice-President should die?

Speaker of the House of Representatives

43. Who is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?

John G. Roberts, Jr.

44. Can you name thirteen original states?

Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Rhode Island, and Maryland.

45. Who said, "Give me liberty or give me death."?

Patrick Henry

46. Which countries were our enemies during World War II?

Germany, Italy, and Japan

47. What are the 49th and 50th states of the Union?

Hawaii and Alaska

48. How many terms can the President serve?

2

49. Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.?

A civil rights leader

50. Who is the head of your local government?

(insert local information)

51. According to the Constitution, a person must meet certain requirements in order to be eligible to become President. Name one of these requirements.

Must be a natural born citizen of the United States; must be at least 35 years old by the time he/she will serve; must have lived in the United States for at least 14 years.

52. Why are there 100 Senators in the Senate?

Two (2) from each state

53. Who selects the Supreme Court justice?

Appointed by the President

54. How many Supreme Court justices are there?

Nine (9)

55. Why did the Pilgrims come to America?

For religious freedom

56. What is the head executive of a state government called?

Governor

57. What is the head executive of a city government called?

Mayor

58. What holiday was celebrated for the first time by the Americans colonists?

Thanksgiving

59. Who was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence?

Thomas Jefferson

60. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?

July 4, 1776

61. What is the basic belief of the Declaration of Independence?

That all men are created equal

62. What is the national anthem of the United States?

The Star-Spangled Banner

63. Who wrote the Star-Spangled Banner?

Francis Scott Key

64. Where does freedom of speech come from?

The Bill of Rights

65. What is a minimum voting age in the United States?

Eighteen (18)

66. Who signs bills into law?

The President

67. What is the highest court in the United States?

The Supreme Court

68. Who was the President during the Civil War?

Abraham Lincoln

69. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?

Freed many slaves

70. What special group advises the President?

The Cabinet

71. Which President is called the "Father of our country"?

George Washington

72. What Immigration and Naturalization Service form is used to apply to become a naturalized citizen?

Form N-400, Application to File Petition for Naturalization

73. Who helped the Pilgrims in America?

The American-Indians (Native Americans)

74. What is the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America?

The Mayflower

75. What are the 13 original states of the U.S. called?

Colonies

76. Name 3 rights of freedom guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

- The right of freedom of speech, press, religion, peaceable assembly, and requesting change of government.
- The right to bear arms (the right to have weapons or own a gun, though subject to certain regulations).
- The government may not quarter, or house, soldiers in the people's homes during peacetime without the people's consent.
- The government may not search or take a person's property without a warrant.
- A person may not be tried twice for the same crime and does not have to testify against him/herself.
- A person charged with a crime still has some rights, such as the right to a trial and to have a lawyer.
- The right to trial by jury in most cases.
- Protects people against excessive or unreasonable fines or cruel and unusual punishment.
- The people have rights other than those mentioned in the Constitution.
- Any power not given to the federal government by the Constitution is a power of either the state or the people.

77. Who has the power to declare the war?

The Congress

78. What kind of government does the United States have?

Republican

79. Which President freed the slaves?

Abraham Lincoln

80. In what year was the Constitution written?

1787

81. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?

The Bill of Rights

82. Name one purpose of the United Nations?

For countries to discuss and try to resolve world problems, to provide economic aid to many countries.

83. Where does Congress meet?

In the Capitol in Washington, D.C.

84. Whose rights are guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights?

Everyone (citizens and non-citizens) living in U.S.

85. What is the introduction to the Constitution called?

The Preamble

86. Name one benefit of being citizen of the United States.

Vote for the candidate of your choice

87. What is the most important right granted to U.S. citizens?

The right to vote

88. What is the United States Capital?

The place where Congress meets

89. What is the White House?

The President's official home

90. Where is the White House located?

Washington, D.C. (1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.)

91. What is the name of the President's official home?

The White House

92. Name the right guaranteed by the first amendment.

Freedom of: speech, press, religion, peaceable assembly, and requesting change of the government

93. Who is the Commander in Chief of the U.S. military?

The President

94. Which President was the first Commander in Chief of the U.S. military? George Washington

95. In what month do we vote for the President? November

96. In what month is the new President inaugurated? January

97. How many times may a Senator be re-elected?

There is no limit

98. How many times may a Congressman be re-elected?

There is no limit

99. What are the 2 major political parties in the U.S. today? Democratic and Republican

100. How many states are there in the United States today? Fifty (50)