The following are sample U.S. History and Government Questions that may be asked during the Naturalization Exam.



Typical Questions

- 1. What are the colors of our flag?
- 2. What do the stars on the flag mean?
- 3. How many stars are there on our flag?
- 4. What color are the stars on our flag?
- 5. How many stripes are there on our flag?
- 6. What do the stripes on the flag represent?
- 7. What colors are the stripes on the flag?
- 8. How many states are there in the Union (the United States)?
- 9. What do we celebrate on the 4th of July?
- 10. Independence Day celebrates independence from whom?
- 11. What country did we fight during the Revolutionary War?
- 12. Who was the first president of the United States?
- 13. Who is the President of the United States today?
- 14. Who is the Vice President of the United States today?
- 15. Who elects the President of the United States?
- 16. Who becomes President if the President dies?
- 17. What is the Constitution?
- 18. What do we call changes to the Constitution?
- 19. How many changes, or amendments, are there to the Constitution?
- 20. What are the three branches of our government?
- 21. What is the legislative branch of our Government?
- 22. What makes up Congress?
- 23. Who makes the Federal laws in the United States?
- 24. Who elects Congress?
- 25. How many Senators are there in Congress?
- 26. For how long do we elect each Senator?
- 27. Name two Senators from your state.
- 28. How many voting members are in the House of Representatives?

- 29. For how long do we elect each member of the House of Representatives?
- 30. Who is the head of the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government?
- 31. For how long is the President elected?
- 32. What is the highest part of the Judiciary Branch of our Government?
- 33. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?
- 34. What is the supreme law of the United States?
- 35. What is the Bill of Rights?
- 36. What is the capital of the state you live in?
- 37. Who is the current Governor of the state you live in?
- 38. Who becomes President if both the President and Vice President die?
- 39. Who is Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?
- 40. What were the original 13 states?
- 41. Who said, "Give me liberty or give me death"?
- 42. Name some countries that were our enemies during World War II.
- 43. What was the 49th state added to our Union (the United States)?
- 44. How many full terms can a President serve?
- 45. Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.?
- 46. What are some of the requirements to be eligible to become President?
- 47. Why are there 100 Senators in the United States Senate?
- 48. Who nominates judges for the Supreme Court?
- 49. How many Supreme Court Justices are there?
- 50. Why did the Pilgrims come to America?
- 51. What is the executive of a state government called?
- 52. What is the head executive of a city government called?
- 53. What holiday was celebrated for the first time by American colonists?
- 54. Who was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence?
- 55. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?
- 56. What are some of the basic beliefs of the Declaration of Independence?
- 57. What is the national anthem of the United States?
- 58. Who wrote The Star-Spangled Banner?
- 59. What is the minimum voting age in the United States?

- 60. Who signs bills into law?
- 61. What is the highest court in the United States?
- 62. Who was President during the Civil War?
- 63. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?
- 64. What special group advises the President?
- 65. Which President is called the "Father of our Country"?
- 66. Which President was the first Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Army and Navy?
- 67. What was the 50th state to be added to our Union (the United States)?
- 68. Who helped the Pilgrims in America?
- 69. What is the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America?
- 70. What were the 13 original states of the United States called before they were states?
- 71. What group has the power to declare war?
- 72. Name the amendments that guarantee or address voting rights.
- 73. In what year was the Constitution written?
- 74. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?
- 75. Whose rights are guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights?
- 76. What is the introduction to the Constitution called?
- 77. Who meets in the U.S. Capitol building?
- 78. What is the name of the President's official home?
- 79. Where is the White House located?
- 80. Name one right or freedom guaranteed by the first amendment.
- 81. Who is Commander-in-Chief of the United States military?
- 82. In what month do we vote for the President?
- 83. In what month is the new President inaugurated?
- 84. How many times may a Senator or Congressman be re-elected?
- 85. What are the two major political parties in the United States today?
- 86. What is the executive branch of our government?
- 87. Where does freedom of speech come from?
- 88. What U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services form is used to apply for naturalized citizenship?
- 89. What kind of government does the United States have?

- 90. Name one of the purposes of the United Nations.
- 91. Name one benefit of being a citizen of the United States.
- 92. Can the Constitution be changed?
- 93. What is the most important right granted to United States citizens?
- 94. What is the White House?
- 95. What is the United States Capitol?
- 96. How many branches are there in the United States government?

ANSWER SHEET

- 1. Red, white, and blue
- 2. One for each state
- 3. There are 50 stars on our flag.
- 4. The stars on our flag are white.
- 5. There are 13 stripes on our flag.
- 6. The first 13 states
- 7. The stripes on the flag are red and white.
- 8. 50 states
- 9. Independence Day
- 10. Independence from Great Britain
- 11. We fought Great Britain in the Revolutionary War.
- 12. George Washington
- 13. George W. Bush
- 14. Dick Cheney
- 15. The Electoral College
- 16. The Vice President
- 17. The supreme law of the land
- 18. Amendments
- 19. Twenty-seven amendments
- 20. Executive, Judicial, and Legislative
- 21. Congress
- 22. The Senate and the House of Representatives
- 23. Congress
- 24. The citizens of the United States
- 25. There are 100 Senators in Congress, 2 from each state.
- 26. 6 years
- 27. The answer to this question depends on where you live.
- 28. There are 435 voting members in the House of Representatives.
- 29. For 2 years
- 30. The President

- 31. The President is elected for 4 years.
- 32. The Supreme Court
- 33. To interpret and explain the laws
- 34. The Constitution
- 35. The first 10 amendments to the Constitution
- 36. The answer to this question depends on the state where you reside. To learn the capital of your state, go to http://www.firstgov.gov and select the state government link.
- 37. The answer to this question depends on where you live. To learn the name of the Governor of your state, go to http://www.firstgov.gov and select the state government link.
- 38. The Speaker of the House
- 39. John G. Roberts, Jr.
- 40. Virginia, Massachusetts, Maryland, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, North Carolina, South Carolina, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Georgia
- 41. Patrick Henry
- 42. Germany, Italy, and Japan
- 43. Alaska
- 44. Two full terms
- 45. A civil rights leader
- 46. A candidate for President must
 - be a native-born, not naturalized, citizen,
 - be at least 35 years old, and
 - have lived in the U.S. for at least 14 years.
- 47. Each state elects 2 Senators.
- 48. The President nominates judges for the Supreme Court.
- 49. There are 9 Supreme Court Justices.
- 50. To gain religious freedom
- 51. The Governor
- 52. The Mayor
- 53. Thanksgiving
- 54. Thomas Jefferson
- 55. July 4, 1776
- 56. That all men are created equal and have the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness
- 57. The Star-Spangled Banner
- 58. Francis Scott Key

- 59. 18 is the minimum voting age.
- 60. The President
- 61. The Supreme Court
- 62. Abraham Lincoln
- 63. The Emancipation Proclamation freed the slaves.
- 64. The Cabinet advises the President.
- 65. George Washington
- 66. George Washington
- 67. Hawaii
- 68. The American Indians/Native Americans
- 69. The Mayflower
- 70. Colonies
- 71. Congress has the power to declare war.
- 72. The 15th, 19th, 24th and 26th amendments
- 73. The Constitution was written in 1787.
- 74. The Bill of Rights
- 75. All people living in the United States
- 76. The Preamble
- 77. Congress
- 78. The White House
- 79. Washington, DC
- 80. The rights of freedom of religion, of speech, of the press, of assembly, and to petition the Government
- 81. The President
- 82. November
- 83. January
- 84. There is no limit.
- 85. The Democratic and Republican parties
- 86. The President, the Cabinet, and departments under the cabinet members
- 87. The Bill of Rights
- 88. Form N-400 (Application for Naturalization)

- 89. A Republic
- 90. For countries to discuss and try to resolve world problems or to provide economic aid to many countries
- 91. To obtain Federal government jobs, to travel with a U.S. passport, or to petition for close relatives to come to the United States to live
- 92. Yes, the Constitution can be changed.
- 93. The right to vote
- 94. The President's official home
- 95. The place where Congress meets
- 96. There are 3 branches