

Appendix C:

U.S. Naturalization Test

(based on the practice test available at the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, USCIS, website: <http://www.uscis.gov>)

1. Name two national U.S. holidays.

- Valentine's Day and Presidents' Day
- April Fool's Day and Labor Day
- Citizenship Day and Columbus Day
- Labor Day and Thanksgiving

2. Who is the "Father of Our Country"?

- Abraham Lincoln
- Thomas Jefferson
- George Washington
- Patrick Henry

3. What was one important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?

- purchased Alaska
- declared war on Great Britain
- saved (or preserved) the Union
- established the United Nations

4. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?

- James Madison
- George Washington
- Thomas Jefferson
- Abraham Lincoln

5. How many amendments does the Constitution have?

- twenty-three (23)
- twenty-seven (27)
- ten (10)
- twenty-one (21)

6. Who did the United States fight in World War II?

- Austria-Hungary, Japan, and Germany
- Japan, China, and Vietnam
- Japan, Germany, and Italy
- the Soviet Union, Germany, and Italy

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

- pay taxes
- obey the law
- serve on a jury
- be respectful of others

8. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?

- Floridians
- no one
- Canadians
- American Indians

9. How many U.S. Senators are there?

- four hundred thirty-five (435)
- one hundred (100)
- fifty-two (52)
- fifty (50)

10. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.

- Civil War
- Revolutionary War
- World War I
- War of 1812

11. What is one thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?

- youngest member of the Constitutional Convention
- U.S. diplomat
- inventor of the airplane
- third President of the United States

12. What is the economic system in the United States?

- socialist economy
- capitalist economy
- none of these answers
- communist economy

13. Why did the colonists fight the British?

- because of high taxes
- because the British army stayed in their houses
- because they didn't have self-government
- all of these answers

14. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution. Name one of the writers.

- James Madison
- George Washington
- Thomas Jefferson
- John Adams

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

- Citizens by birth only can vote.
- Citizens seventeen (17) and older can vote.
- Only citizens with a job can vote.
- Citizens eighteen (18) and older can vote.

16. What does the Constitution do?

- defines the government
- sets up the government
- protects basic rights of Americans
- all of these answers

17. What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?

- Atlantic Ocean
- Arctic Ocean
- Pacific Ocean
- Indian Ocean

18. Who was the first President?

- Abraham Lincoln
- Thomas Jefferson
- George Washington
- John Adams

19. What are the two major political parties in the United States?

- Democratic-Republican and Whigs
- Reform and Green
- American and Bull-Moose
- Democratic and Republican

20. What did Susan B. Anthony do?

- the first woman elected to the House of Representatives
- made the first flag of the United States
- founded the Red Cross
- fought for women's rights

21. What is the capital of the United States?

- New York, NY
- Boston, MA
- Philadelphia, PA
- Washington, D.C.

22. What is an amendment?

- an addition (to the Constitution)
- the Preamble to the Constitution
- the beginning of the Declaration of Independence
- an introduction

23. What is the "rule of law"?

- Everyone must follow the law.
- Everyone but the President must follow the law.
- Government does not have to follow the law.
- All laws must be the same in every state.

24. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What is one power of the federal government?

- to provide schooling
- to make treaties
- to issue driver's licenses
- to provide police departments

25. Who makes federal laws?

- the President
- the states
- the Supreme Court
- Congress

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

- give an elected official your opinion on an issue and join a community group
- vote and join a civic group
- all of these answers
- write to a newspaper and call Senators and Representatives

27. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax forms?

- May 15
- March 15
- April 15
- July 4

28. What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?

- fought for women's suffrage
- ran for President of the United States
- fought for civil rights
- became a U.S. Senator

29. Name one American Indian tribe in the United States.

- Cherokee
- Zawi Chemi
- Celts
- Slavs

30. There were 13 original states. Name three.

- Washington, Oregon, and California
- Virginia, North Carolina, and Florida
- New York, Kentucky, and Georgia
- Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina

31. Before he was President, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?

- World War II
- World War I
- Civil War
- Vietnam War

32. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?

- four (4)
- two (2)
- eight (8)
- six (6)

33. Who was President during World War I?

- Franklin Roosevelt
- Theodore Roosevelt
- Woodrow Wilson
- Warren Harding

34. What are two Cabinet-level positions?

- Secretary of Weather and Secretary of Energy
- Secretary of Homeland Security and Secretary of the Treasury
- Secretary of Health and Human Services and Secretary of the Navy
- Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of History

35. Name one problem that led to the Civil War.

- westward expansion
- sugar
- slavery
- oil