

# Civics and Government Essentials

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**1. Which document is known as the supreme law of the United States?**

- A) The Bill of Rights
- B) The Declaration of Independence
- C) The U.S. Constitution**
- D) The Articles of Confederation

**2. How many branches of government are established by the U.S. Constitution?**

- A) Two
- B) Three**
- C) Four
- D) Five

**3. Which branch of government has the power to declare war?**

- A) The Legislative Branch**
- B) The Judicial Branch
- C) The Executive Branch
- D) The State Government

**4. Who is the head of the executive branch at the federal level in the United States?**

- A) The Speaker of the House
- B) The Chief Justice
- C) The Vice President
- D) The President**

**5. What is the primary responsibility of the Judicial Branch?**

- A) To enforce laws
- B) To interpret laws**
- C) To create taxes
- D) To command the military

**6. How many U.S. Senators are there in total?**

- A) 50
- B) 100**
- C) 435
- D) 538

**7. What are the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution collectively called?**

- A) The Preamble
- B) The Articles of Confederation
- C) The Bill of Rights**
- D) The Emancipation Proclamation

**8. Which level of government is primarily responsible for issuing driver's licenses?**

- A) Federal government
- B) State government**
- C) Local government
- D) International government

**9. What is the term for a system of government where power is shared between a national government and state governments?**

- A) Monarchy
- B) Federalism**
- C) Dictatorship
- D) Oligarchy

**10. Which document officially announced that the thirteen American colonies were separating from Great Britain?**

- A) The U.S. Constitution
- B) The Bill of Rights
- C) The Magna Carta
- D) The Declaration of Independence**

**11. What is the minimum age required to become the President of the United States?**

- A) 25
- B) 30
- C) 35**
- D) 40

**12. In the U.S. Congress, how many members serve in the House of Representatives?**

- A) 100
- B) 435**
- C) 50
- D) 270

**13. Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution granted women the right to vote?**

- A) 13th Amendment
- B) 15th Amendment
- C) 19th Amendment**
- D) 26th Amendment

**14. What is the name of the process used to formally accuse a public official of misconduct?**

- A) Veto
- B) Impeachment**
- C) Ratification
- D) Confirmation

**15. Who becomes President if both the President and the Vice President are unable to serve?**

- A) The Secretary of State
- B) The Chief Justice
- C) The Speaker of the House**
- D) The President pro tempore of the Senate