

Constitutional Law Fundamentals

Constitutional Law · Answer Key · 25 Questions

1. In what year did the United States Constitution go into effect?

- A) 1776
- B) 1789**
- C) 1791
- D) 1801

2. How many articles are contained in the original United States Constitution?

- A) 5
- B) 7**
- C) 9
- D) 12

3. Who was the primary author of the United States Declaration of Independence?

- A) George Washington
- B) Benjamin Franklin
- C) Thomas Jefferson**
- D) John Adams

4. How many amendments comprise the United States Bill of Rights?

- A) 5
- B) 10**
- C) 15
- D) 20

5. In which city was the Constitutional Convention held in 1787?

- A) New York City
- B) Washington D.C.
- C) Philadelphia**
- D) Boston

6. Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution abolished slavery?

- A) 11th
- B) 12th
- C) 13th**
- D) 14th

7. What is the minimum age requirement for a person to be eligible to be President of the United States?

- A) 30
- B) 35**
- C) 40
- D) 45

8. How many years is the term of office for a member of the U.S. House of Representatives?

- A) 2**
- B) 4
- C) 6
- D) 8

9. Which Article of the U.S. Constitution establishes the Judicial Branch?

- A) Article I
- B) Article II
- C) Article III**
- D) Article IV

10. The 19th Amendment, ratified in 1920, granted which group the right to vote?

- A) Non-property owners
- B) Women**
- C) 18-year-olds
- D) Immigrants

11. How many senators are elected from each U.S. state?

- A) 1
- B) 2**
- C) 3
- D) 5

12. In what year was the Magna Carta first issued?

- A) 1066
- B) 1215**
- C) 1492
- D) 1776

13. Which U.S. President is known for serving four terms in office before the 22nd Amendment limited terms?

- A) Theodore Roosevelt
- B) Franklin D. Roosevelt**
- C) Woodrow Wilson
- D) Harry Truman

14. How many years is the term for a U.S. Senator?

- A) 2
- B) 4
- C) 6**
- D) 10

15. The 26th Amendment, ratified in 1971, lowered the voting age to what number?

- A) 18**
- B) 19
- C) 20
- D) 21

16. Which U.S. Constitutional Amendment protects the freedom of speech?

- A) 1st**
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th

17. How many branches of government does the U.S. Constitution define?

- A) 2
- B) 3**
- C) 4
- D) 5

18. What is the required fraction of states that must ratify a constitutional amendment?

- A) 1/2
- B) 2/3
- C) 3/4**
- D) 4/5

19. The 22nd Amendment limits the President to how many terms in office?

- A) 1
- B) 2**
- C) 3
- D) 4

20. Which year was the Bill of Rights added to the U.S. Constitution?

- A) 1787
- B) 1789
- C) 1791**
- D) 1795

21. Which document preceded the U.S. Constitution as the first governing framework?

- A) Magna Carta
- B) The Federalist Papers
- C) Articles of Confederation**
- D) Declaration of Rights

22. How many states were required to ratify the Constitution for it to take effect?

- A) 7
- B) 9**
- C) 11
- D) 13

23. The 15th Amendment granted the right to vote regardless of what?

- A) Gender
- B) Age
- C) Race**
- D) Religion

24. How many justices serve on the United States Supreme Court?

- A) 5
- B) 7
- C) 9**
- D) 11

25. Article I of the U.S. Constitution defines the powers of which branch?

- A) Legislative**
- B) Executive
- C) Judicial
- D) Military