

Presidents of the Philippines

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1. Under the Constitution of the Philippines, who is the president?

- A) Head of State only
- B) Head of Government only
- C) Head of State and Government**
- D) Commander-in-Chief only

2. What is the term length for a directly elected president of the Philippines?

- A) 4 years
- B) 5 years
- C) 6 years**
- D) 8 years

3. What is a key qualification for a presidential candidate in the Philippines regarding citizenship?

- A) Naturalized citizen
- B) Natural-born citizen**
- C) Citizen by birth or naturalization
- D) Permanent resident

4. Can an elected president of the Philippines seek re-election?

- A) Yes, they can seek re-election once
- B) Yes, they can seek re-election twice
- C) No, they cannot seek re-election**
- D) Only if they served less than four years

5. Who assumes the presidency upon resignation or removal from office?

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

6. Who is recognized as the inaugural president of the Philippines under the Malolos Republic?

- A) Manuel L. Quezon
- B) Emilio Aguinaldo**
- C) Andrés Bonifacio
- D) José P. Laurel

7. The American colonization of the Philippines led to the abolition of which republic?

- A) Second Republic
- B) Commonwealth of the Philippines
- C) First Republic**
- D) Fifth Republic

8. The Commonwealth of the Philippines was established in what year?

- A) 1935**
- B) 1941
- C) 1946
- D) 1939

9. Who was the first Commonwealth president of the Philippines?

- A) Emilio Aguinaldo
- B) Sergio Osmeña
- C) Manuel L. Quezon**
- D) José P. Laurel

10. In 1940, the Philippine Constitution was amended to allow re-election but what happened to the term length?

- A) It was extended to eight years
- B) It was shortened to four years**
- C) It remained six years
- D) It was abolished

11. Which country imposed the 1943 Constitution and occupied the Philippines during World War II?

- A) United States
- B) Spain
- C) Japan**
- D) Great Britain

12. Who acted as a puppet president of the Japanese-sponsored government during the Second Philippine Republic?

- A) Manuel L. Quezon
- B) Sergio Osmeña
- C) Emilio Aguinaldo
- D) José P. Laurel**

13. The Commonwealth was restored in 1945 with whom as president?

- A) Manuel Roxas
- B) Sergio Osmeña**
- C) Elpidio Quirino
- D) Carlos P. Garcia

14. Who became the first president of the independent Philippines in 1946?

- A) Sergio Osmeña
- B) Manuel Roxas**
- C) Elpidio Quirino
- D) Ferdinand Marcos

15. The Third Republic covered the administrations of the next five presidents, the last of which was Ferdinand Marcos. When did he impose martial law?

- A) 1965
- B) 1972**
- C) 1986
- D) 1970

16. Ferdinand Marcos's tenure lasted until 1986 when he was deposed in which revolution?

- A) EDSA Revolution
- B) People Power Revolution**
- C) Philippine Revolution
- D) Reformist Revolution

17. What year did the current constitution, marking the beginning of the Fifth Republic, come into effect?

- A) 1986
- B) 1987**
- C) 1991
- D) 1992

18. Which three presidents died in office, according to the text?

- A) Quezon, Roxas, Magsaysay**
- B) Aguinaldo, Laurel, Osmeña
- C) Ramos, Estrada, Arroyo
- D) Aquino, Binay, Duterte

19. Who is the longest-serving president of the Philippines?

- A) Ferdinand Marcos**
- B) Sergio Osmeña
- C) Manuel L. Quezon
- D) Gloria Macapagal Arroyo

20. Who is the shortest-serving president of the Philippines mentioned?

- A) Manuel Roxas
- B) Sergio Osmeña**
- C) Elpidio Quirino
- D) Ramon Magsaysay

21. How many women have held the office of president of the Philippines according to the text?

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

22. Who ascended to the presidency upon the successful People Power Revolution of 1986?

- A) Gloria Macapagal Arroyo
- B) Corazon Aquino**
- C) Leni Robredo
- D) Sara Duterte

23. Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, as vice president, ascended to the presidency upon whose resignation?

- A) Fidel V. Ramos
- B) Joseph Estrada**
- C) Benigno Aquino III
- D) Rodrigo Duterte

24. Andrés Bonifacio is considered by some historians as the first president of the Philippines and led which organization?

- A) Katipunan**
- B) La Liga Filipina
- C) Philippine Republic
- D) Malolos Republic

25. Which two individuals are mentioned as continuing Emilio Aguinaldo's leadership or reviving the Tagalog Republic and are considered 'unofficial presidents' by some scholars?

A) Macario Sakay and Miguel Malvar y Carpio

B) Andrés Bonifacio and Macario Sakay

C) Miguel Malvar y Carpio and Andrés Bonifacio

D) Emilio Aguinaldo and José Abad Santos