Answer Key:

1. b
2. b
3. d
4. b
5. d
6. d
7. c
8. a
9. d
10. c
11. b
12. b
13. c
14. b
15. a
16. b
17. d
18. a
19. d
20. d
21. a
22. d
23. b
24. c
25. a
26. d
27. a
28. c
29. c
30. c
31. b
32. b
33. c
34. c
35. d
36. c
37. a
38. b
39. b
40. c
1. Which action will the government take when it needs more money?
   a) Hold elections
   b) Lower prices
   c) Increase taxes
   d) Hire workers

2. In order for a United States citizen to receive a fair trial, other citizens must —
   a) evaluate judges
   b) vote in elections
   c) pay poll taxes
   d) serve on juries

3. Which goal of the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States is illustrated by this cartoon?
   a) Provide for the common defense
   b) Ensure domestic tranquility
   c) Establish justice
   d) Form a more perfect union

4. Which is necessary to amend the Constitution of the United States?
   a) Majority vote by the Electoral College
   b) Ratification by legislatures or conventions in the states
   c) Unanimous vote by both houses of Congress
   d) Recommendation by the executive and judicial branches in the states
5. Which drawing shows a freedom guaranteed in the first amendment?

A  
You have the right to remain silent.

B  
I want a lawyer.

C  
You can help save the forest animals.

D  
I know for whom I am voting.

a) A  
b) B  
c) C  
d) D

6. These headlines best illustrate the concept of —

a) rule of law  
b) democracy  
c) consent of the governed  
d) popular sovereignty
In this situation, the President is acting as the —

a) chief citizen  
b) chief legislator  
c) chief diplomat  
d) chief executive

8. According to the 10th Amendment of the Bill of Rights, powers not specifically delegated are reserved to the people or —

a) local governments  
b) the courts  
c) political parties  
d) the states

9. Which level of government can declare war on foreign nations?

a) City  
b) State  
c) County  
d) Federal
One way for Mrs. Jones to gain this office is to be elected by —

a) registered voters of the city
b) members of the Governor’s cabinet
c) legislative representatives of the county
d) members of the General Assembly

Which legal process does this headline describe?

a) Legislative proceeding
b) Civil trial
c) Judicial review
d) Criminal prosecution
12. Political parties distribute literature about their candidates in order to —
   a) recruit individuals to run for office
   b) educate the electorate about campaign issues
   c) help new residents register to vote
   d) assist people in getting to their polling places

13. Which person has the best chance of influencing local legislation?

   ![Image A]
   ![Image C]

   a.) A
   b.) C

14. This cartoon illustrates how government officials use the media to —

   a) communicate with other countries
   b) approve federal legislation
   c) influence political lobbyists
   d) communicate with the public
15. Based on this graph, which statement is most accurate?

a) The number of college- and non-college-educated voters increased between 1972 and 2004.
b) The percentage of voter turnout remained the same for both groups between 1972 and 2004.
c) The number of registered voters in both groups declined each year in all elections.
d) The college-educated voters were more likely to vote than were non-college educated voters.

16. The diagram below shows how the colonists formed some of their political views from historical documents:

Magna Carta  →  Limited Government
Mayflower Compact  →  ?

a.) Self-Government  
b.) Separation of Powers  
c.) Economic Freedom  
d.) Individual Rights
17. According to John Locke, which agreements did individuals enter into to form their own society?

a) Constitution
b) Social contract
c) Mayflower Compact
d) English Bill of Rights

18. Which Enlightenment philosopher influenced the chart below:

- **Legislative:** Make Laws
- **Executive:** Enforce Laws
- **Judicial:** Interpret Laws

a.) John Locke
b.) Montesquieu
c.) Thomas Jefferson
d.) Thomas Paine

19. The Declaration of Independence lists a number of offenses committed by the British king against the American colonists. Which of the following offenses refers to a protection first established by Magna Carta?

a) For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world
b) For quartering large bodies of armed troops among us
c) For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury
d) For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offence

20. Which document completes the following chart?

- **Stamp Act** → **Tea Act** → **Intolerable Acts** →?

a.) Magna Carta
b.) English Bill of Rights
c.) Declaration of Independence
d.) Mayflower Compact
21. The passage below was written by Thomas Paine in his 1776 book, Common Sense.

The powers of governing . . . in the hands of the king . . . himself such an . . . enemy to liberty . . . is he . . . a proper person to say to these colonies "YOU SHALL MAKE NO LAWS BUT WHAT I PLEASE."

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Based on this passage, with which complaint against the king from the Declaration of Independence would Thomas Paine agree?

a. persecuting immigrant groups  
b. taking away religious rights  
c. taking away political rights  
d. persecuting racial groups

22. What is depicted in the cartoon below:

Amendments require the approval of all

a.) Weakness of the Articles of Confederation  
b.) Problems of the U.S. Constitution  
c.) Federalist argument for a weak central government  
d.) A colonial legislature
23. The passage below is from Federalist No. 47, written by James Madison in 1788.

"Montesquieu was guided . . . in saying "There can be no liberty where the legislative and executive powers are united in the same person, or body" . . . he did not mean that these departments ought to have . . . no CONTROL over, the acts of each other."

Source: Public Domain / Project Gutenberg Based on this passage,

Which constitutional principle does Madison describe?

a. separation of powers
b. checks and balances
c. popular sovereignty
d. judicial review

24. We need a strong central government to protect this nation!

The power should be held with the states. What will protect our rights from the national government?!

What groups are depicted in this diagram?

a.) Democrats vs. Republicans
b.) Presidents vs. Governors
c.) Federalists vs. Anti-Federalists
d.) Communists vs. Capitalists
The diagram above shows some general eligibility requirements for what?

a) Joining the military
b) Obtaining a driver’s license
c) Receiving a social security card
d) Becoming a naturalized citizen

26. Which of the following is NOT an obligation of citizenship?

a) Vote in elections
b) Pay Taxes
c) Obey Laws
d) Defend the nation

27. The statement below was made by Thomas Jefferson in a 1786 letter to John Jay.

... our liberty, which cannot be guarded but by the freedom of the press...

Why is this right so important to a democratic society?

a.) It keeps talented and creative writers employed
b.) It helps the government keep track of public opinion
c.) It provides a place for political candidates to advertise their campaigns
d.) It keeps citizens informed about the actions of the government

28. Which amendment protects citizens from “cruel and unusual punishment”? 

a) 2nd Amendment
b) 4th Amendment
c) 6th Amendment
d) 8th Amendment
29. What was the important outcome of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Miranda v. Arizona?
   
   a) If someone cannot afford a lawyer, one must be provided by the state  
   b) Schools can no longer separate facilities based on race  
   c) People suspected of committing a crime, must be informed of their rights  
   d) Students have first amendment rights to free speech

30. What can you interpret from the quote below?

   "It is emphatically the province and duty of the judicial department to say what the law it." - John Marshall

   a) It's the job of the judicial branch to interpret the law  
   b) The judicial branch has the power to pass laws  
   c) The judicial branch has the right to pass amendments  
   d) It's the job of the judicial branch to enforce the law

31. The newspaper below is referring to which voting rights amendment:

   "Women Gain the Right to Vote!"

   a) 13th  
   b) 14th  
   c) 19th  
   d) 24th

32. The 15th, 19th, 24th & 26th Amendments all had what effect on the political process?

   a) They limited the powers of the executive branch  
   b) They increased checks & balances on the three branches  
   c) They increased the numbers of minority voters  
   d) They made it more difficult for illegal immigrants to vote
33. The poster below was created in 1917.

![Poster](image)

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Which type of communication is shown in this poster?

a) Propagandized  
b) Accurate  
c) Informational  
d) Functional

34. Florida fishermen are concerned about pollution from a Georgia power plant flowing into rivers that run through both states. Who should they contact?

a) the Mayor  
b) their local police  
c) the US Environmental Protection Agency  
d) the President

35. Like the U.S. Constitution, the Florida Constitution establishes which of the following?

a) three branches of government  
b) small claims courts  
c) the right to form treaties with foreign governments  
d) an elected cabinet
36. Complete the chart below:

- Senate confirms ambassadors
- Senate confirms treaties
- Congress provides funds for the State Department

a) Limiting the power of Congress
b) Limiting the power of the Supreme Court
c) Ways that Congress impacts foreign affairs
d) Ways that Congress impacts domestic affairs

37. What event are the women below protesting:

a) Vietnam
b) World War II
c) Cuban Missile Crisis
d) Korean War

38. Which branch has the power to “declare war”?

a) the legislative
b) the executive
c) the judicial
d) the president
39. Identify the following “forms” of government:

a) a: socialism, b: communism
b) a: direct democracy, b: representative democracy
c) a: constitutional monarchy, b: representative democracy
d) a: oligarchy, b: autocracy

40. Identify which type of group is found in the following mission statement:

"Doctors Without Borders provides medical care around the group, regardless of regimes or ruling powers. We help people worldwide delivering aid to those affected by conflict."

a) national organization
b) governmental organization
c) for-profit organization
d) non-governmental organization

41. Which is delegated to the national government?

a) conducting elections
b) establishing courts
c) coining money
d) taxing citizens
42. Which is the last step in amending the U.S. Constitution?
   a) The voters approve the amendment in a national election.
   b) The president signs the amendment in a public ceremony.
   c) Three-fourths of the state legislatures ratify the amendment.
   d) Two-thirds of both houses of Congress ratify the amendment.

43. What is a difference between the U.S. amendment process and the Florida amendment process?
   a) Voters are sometimes allowed to participate in the Florida amendment process.
   b) Florida amendments must be approved by the Governor.
   c) The Florida Supreme Court must approve state amendments.
   d) Only the people can propose amendments in Florida.

44. Which level of government could pass a law changing the age at which people can marry?
   a) state
   b) federal
   c) county
   d) city

45. Of the following, what may happen following a guilty verdict in a criminal case?
   a) A U.S. Court of Appeals asks to review the case.
   b) The criminal case becomes a civil case.
   c) The defendant appeals the case to a higher court.
   d) The U.S. Supreme Court automatically reviews the case.
Answer Key:

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1. C
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3. D
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6. A
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11. C
12. B
13. B
14. D
15. D
16. A
17. B
18. B
19. C
20. C
21. C
22. A
23. A
24. C
25. D
26. A
27. D
28. D
29. C
30. A
31. C
32. C
33. A
34. C
35. A
36. C
37. C
38. A
39. B
40. D
41. C
42. C
43. A
44. A