

# AMERICAN CIVICS TEST

*This is merely PREP for the topics that are covered on the test. The actual exam is multiple choice.*

- Name the three branches of our government.
- The idea of self-government is in the first three words of the Constitution. What are these words?
- Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What are some powers given to only federal government?
- Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the states. What are some powers restricted to only States?
- We elect a President for how many years?
- We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?
- What are Constitutionally-guaranteed rights of everyone living in the United States?
- What are the two major political parties in the United States today?
- What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?
- What did Susan B. Anthony do?
- What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?
- What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?
- What is the “rule of law”?
- What is the “supreme law of the land” in the United States?
- What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?
- What was the primary reason early colonists came to America?
- Who does a U.S. Senator represent?
- Who is in charge of the executive branch?
- Who is the “Father of Our Country”?
- Who is the current Commander in Chief of the military?
- Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?
- Who makes federal laws?
- Whose actions are limited by the “freedom of religion” clause in the First Amendment?
- How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?
- What happened at the Constitutional Convention?

- What is one thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?
- What major event happened on September 11, 2001, in the United States?
- What does the judicial branch do?
- What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance?
- Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?
- What are the colors of the American Flag?
- There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Name one of them, and what it does.
- Who signs bills to become laws?
- The House of Representatives has how many voting members?
- Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?
- What is an amendment?
- What is one right that only U.S. *citizens* have?
- Why does the flag have 13 stripes?
- What is the economic system in the United States?
- When do we celebrate Independence Day?
- What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?
- How many Articles in the Constitution?
- We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?
- What *unalienable* rights are listed in the Declaration of Independence?
- What did the Declaration of Independence do?
- What is one right or freedom granted by the First Amendment?
- What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?
- How many U.S. senators are there?
- Who was the first President?
- Who is the current Vice President?