



Alabama Voter Literacy Test (c. 1965)— Sample Questions

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1. Which of the following is one of the duties of the United States Internal Revenue Service?
 - a) _____ passing legislation
 - b) _____ collection of income taxes
 - c) _____ giving welfare checks
2. Law requires that "In God we trust" be placed on all money issued in the United States. (True or False)
3. Does the population of the state affect the amount of individual or corporate income taxes which may be levied on its citizens? (Yes or No)
4. Who pays members of Congress for their services, their home states or the United States? _____
5. How many senators are elected from each state? _____
6. What body can try impeachments of the president of the United States? _____
7. Check the applicable definition for responsibility:
 - a) _____ a duty
 - b) _____ a speech
 - c) _____ a failure
8. If a person charged with treason denies his guilt, how many persons must testify against him before he can be convicted? _____
9. At what time of day on January 20 each four years does the term of the president of the United States end?

10. If the president does not wish to sign a bill, how many days is he allowed in which to return it to Congress for reconsideration? _____
11. What officer is designated by the Constitution to be president of the Senate of the United States?

12. Can the state coin money with the consent of Congress? (Yes or No)
13. In addition to becoming a U.S. citizen by birth, a person may become a citizen by:
 - a) _____ immigration
 - b) _____ naturalization
 - c) _____ voting
14. The first sentence of the United States Constitution is called the Preamble. (True or False)
15. Who is the commander-in-chief of the army and navy of the United States? _____

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