1: Welcome to America

1. Why does the flag have 50 stars?
2. What is the name of the national anthem?
3. What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance?
4. What is the capital of the United States?
5. Who is the governor of your state?
6. What is the capital of your state?
7. What are the two major political parties in the United States?
8. What are two ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?
9. What is the economic system in the United States?
10. What is the name of the president of the US now?
11. What is the political party of the president now?

Answers:
1. Because there are 50 states
2. The Star-Spangled Banner
3. the United States
4. Washington, D.C.
5. Charlie Baker
6. Boston
7. Democratic and Republican
8. vote; write to a newspaper
9. market economy
10. (Joe) Biden
11. Democratic

2: American Places

1. Name one of the two longest rivers in the United States.
2. What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States?
3. What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?
4. Name one U.S. territory.
5. Name one state that borders Canada.
6. Name one state that borders Mexico.
7. Where is the Statue of Liberty?
8. Name one American Indian tribe.

Answers:
1. Mississippi River
2. Pacific Ocean
3. Atlantic Ocean
4. Guam
5. New York
6. California
7. New York
8. Hopi

Note: Answers that are followed by an * present one of several possible answers to the question. The official list of answers can be found at: www.uscis.gov/files/nativedocuments/100q.pdf
3: 13 Colonies
1. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?
2. Why does the flag have 13 stripes?
3. What is one reason colonists came to America?
4. What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?
5. Name 2 national U.S. holidays.

**Answers:**
1. Indians
2. Because there were 13 original colonies
3. Freedom*
4. People from Africa
5. Columbus Day and Thanksgiving*

4: The New U.S.
1. Why did the colonists fight the British?
2. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?
3. What did the Declaration of Independence do?
4. What are two rights in the Declaration of Independence?
5. When do we celebrate Independence Day?
6. There were 13 original states. Name three.
7. Who is the “Father of Our Country”?
8. Who was the first President?
9. What is the one thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?
10. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?
11. What happened at the Constitutional Convention?
12. When was the Constitution written?
13. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution. Name one of the writers.
14. What does the Constitution do?

**Answers:**
1. Because of high taxes*
2. July 4th, 1776
3. It said that the United States is free.
4. life and liberty*
5. July 4th
6. New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire*
7. George Washington
8. George Washington
9. he started the first free libraries*
10. (Thomas) Jefferson
11. The Constitution was written
12. 1787
13. Alexander Hamilton*
14. Sets up the government*
5: The Civil War
1. What territory did the United States buy from France in 1803?
2. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s.
3. Name the U.S. war between the North and the South.
4. Name one problem that led to the Civil War.
5. What was one important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?
6. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?
7. What did Susan B. Anthony do?

Answers: 1. Louisiana  2. Civil War*  3. Civil War  4. slavery*  5. freed the slaves*  6. freed the slaves  7. worked for women’s rights*

6. Later History
1. Who was President during World War 1?
2. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.
3. Who was the President during the Great Depression and World War 2?
4. Who did the United States fight in World War 2?
5. Before he was President, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?
6. During the Cold War, what was the main concern of the United States?
7. What movement tried to end racial discrimination?
8. What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?
9. What major event happened on September 11, 2001 in the United States?

7: The Constitution
1. What is the supreme law of the land?
2. The idea of self-government is in the first three words of the Constitution. What are these words?
3. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What is one power of the federal government?
4. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the states. What is one power of the states?
5. What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?
6. What is an amendment?
7. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?
8. What is one right or freedom from the First Amendment?
9. What are two rights of everyone living in the United States?
10. What is freedom of religion?
11. How many amendments does the Constitution have?
12. There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe one of them.
13. How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?

8: Congress

Answers: 1. The Constitution  2. We the People  3. to print money*  4. to give a driver’s license*
5. separation of powers   6. a change    7. The Bill of Rights   8. speech*  9. freedom of speech, freedom of religion*   10. you can practice any religion, or no religion   11. twenty-seven (27)
12. citizens who are 18 can vote*   13. eighteen (18)

1. Name one branch or part of the government.
2. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?
3. How many U.S. Senators are there?
4. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?
5. Who is one of your state’s U.S. Senators?
6. Who does a U.S. Senator represent?
7. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?
8. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?
10. Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?
11. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now?
[8: Congress]

**Answers:** 1. Congress*  2. The Senate and House  3. one hundred (100)  4. six (6)  
5. (Elizabeth) Warren  6. all people of the state  7. four hundred thirty-five (435)  8. two (2)  
9. [Answers will vary].  10. (because) some states have more people  
11. (Nancy) Pelosi

[9: The President]

1. Who is in charge of the executive branch?  
2. We elect a President for how many years?  
3. In what month do we vote for President?  
4. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?  
5. If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?  
6. If both the President and the Vice President can no longer serve, who becomes President?  
7. Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?  
8. What does the President’s cabinet do?  
9. What are two cabinet-level positions?  

[10: A Country of Laws]

**Answers:** 1. The President  2. four (4)  3. November  4. (Mike) Pence  5. The Vice President  
6. the Speaker of the House  7. The President  8. advises the President  9. Secretary of State & Secretary of Labor*

1. Who vetoes bills?  
2. Who signs bills to become laws?  
3. Who makes federal laws?  
4. What does the judicial branch do?  
5. What is the highest court in the United States?  
6. How many justices are on the Supreme Court?  
7. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States?  
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8. What is the “rule of law”?  
9. What is one promise you make when you become a United States citizen?  
10. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax forms?  
11. When must all men register for the Selective Service?  
12. What is one responsibility that is only for United States citizens?  
13. What is one right only for United States citizens?

**Answers:** 1. The President 2. The President 3. Congress 4. explains laws 5. Supreme Court  
6. nine (9) 7. (John) Roberts 8. Everyone must follow the law 9. obey the laws of the United States*  
10. April 15th 11. at age eighteen (18) 12. vote* 13. vote*

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