IMPORTANT CONCEPTS FOR THE UNITED STATES HISTORYAND GOVERNMENT REGENTS EXAM



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DEFINITIONS:

- Representative Government. Government's laws are legitimate only if they are approved by the people's elected representatives.
- Limited Government. Government's powers should be strictly defined and limited by the provisions of a constitution and a bill of rights.
- 3. House of Burgesses. America's first representative assembly for making laws.
- 4. **Mayflower Compact**. An agreement by Pilgrim settlers of Plymouth Colony, in which they pledged to participate in making laws for the colony.
- 5. Magna Carta. A document signed by England's king in 1215 promising to respect certain rights.

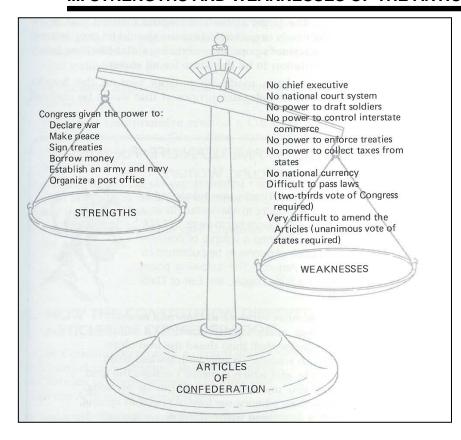
IMPORTANT PEOPLE:

- 1. **John Locke**. An Enlightenment philosopher who believed that people are born free with certain natural rights, including the rights to life, liberty, and property.
- 2. **Baron de Montesquieu**. An Enlightenment philosopher who believed that power should be divided among the monarch and the two houses of Parliament.
- John Peter Zenger. Zenger, a German immigrant to New York, was tried for libel for accusing the governor of the colony of wrongdoing. Zenger was found not guilty because what he printed was true. This helped establish the principle of freedom of the press in the United States.

II. Declaration of Independence

THE PURPOSE OF THE DECLARATION	THE DECLARATION'S KEY IDEAS OF GOVERNMENT
 To announce to the world that the colonies were now a new, independent nation To explain and justify the reasons that the united colonies had decided to become the United States of America. 	 Borrowing from Locke, people have natural rights, including the rights to "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness." Governments receive their power to govern "from the consent of the governed" by social contract or compact in which the
THE THREE PARTS OF THE DECLARATION	government agrees to protect the people's natural rights.
A theory of government	 When a government fails to protect and respect those rights,
 A list of grievances against the King 	it is the "Right of the People to alter or to abolish" that
 A formal resolution declaring independence 	government.

III. STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES OF THE ARTICLES



DEFINITIONS:

- Articles of Confederation. The first document to serve as constitution for the United States.
- Northwest
 Ordinance. A U.S. law of 1787 setting forth a system for governing western lands.

IV. WRITING AND RATIFYING THE CONSTITUTION, 1787-1789



GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1781 AND 1789

HOW THE WEAKNESSES OF THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION WERE CORRECTED BY THE CONSTITUTION			
ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION	CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES		
 States have most of the power. The national government has little. No executive officer to carry out the laws of Congress. No national courts. Only state courts exist. Congress is responsible to the states. Nine out of 13 states have to approve a law before it can go into effect. Congress has no power to tax. Congress can not regulate trade among the states. Each state coins its own money. There is no national currency. 	 States have some power, but most power is given to the national government. A President heads the executive branch of government. Both national and state courts exist. Congress is responsible for the people. Laws may be passed by a majority vote of both houses of Congress. Congress given the power to tax. Congress given the power to regulate interstate and foreign trade. Only the national government has the power to coin money. 		

MAJOR COMPROMISES OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Compromise	Issue	Solution
Connecticut or Great Compromise	Representation in Congress	Bicameral legislature: States have equal representation in Senate; representation in the House depends on State's population.
Three-Fifths	 Counting slaves within population to determine representation 	 Slaves were counted as if 3/5 of one person, both for representation and taxation.
Commerce and Slave Trade	Granting Congress the power to regulate foreign and interstate trade	Congress was forbidden to tax a State's exports or take action against the slave trade for 20 years.

DEFINITIONS:

- 1. **Anti-Federalists**. Those Americans who opposed the ratification of the Constitution in 1787. They wanted a weak national government and added a bill of rights to protect the people against abuses of power.
- 2. **Federalists**. Those Americans who supported the ratification of the Constitution in 1787. They wanted a strong national government to provide order and protect rights of people, claimed that a bill of rights was unnecessary.
- 3. *The Federalists*. A series of pro-ratification essays by Hamilton, Jay and Madison helped to ratify the Constitution.

V. THREE BRANCHES OF U.S. GOVERNMENT

LEGISLATIVE	EXECUTIVE	JUDICIAL
SENATE	PRESIDENT	SUPREME COURT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES	VICE PRESIDENT	FEDERAL COURTS
Makes Laws	Enforces Laws and Treaties	Explains and Interprets Laws
 Overrides presidential vetoes Approves presidential appointments Approves treaties Taxes to provide services Provides for defense, declares war Regulates money and trade Impeaches officials 	 Can veto laws Appoints high officials Conducts foreign policy Enforces laws and treaties Commander in chief of the military Recommends bills to Congress Reports the state of the Union to Congress 	 Settles legal disputes between states Settles State and federal disputes Settles disputes between States and foreign countries Hears cases with ambassadors of foreign governments Settles disputes between individuals and Federal Government

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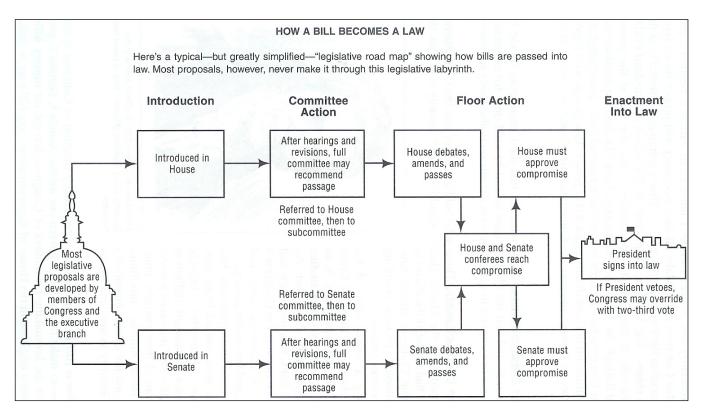
1. Checks and Balances. A system by which one branch of government may oppose and defeat the policies or decisions of other branches.

Checks and Balance			
Actions	Another Branch Checks		
 Makes a treaty with a foreign government. Commits certain "crimes and misdemeanors." Vetoes an act of Congress. Makes an appointment to a cabinet post. 	 The Senate rejects the treaty (fails to ratify it by a two-thirds vote). The House impeaches the president; then the Senate votes to remove the president from office. Congress overrides the veto by a two-thirds vote of each house. The Senate rejects the president's nominee. Historical Examples: Senate rejects the Treaty of Versailles and Impeachments of A. Johnson and W. Clinton. 		
Congress Enacts a bill. Enacts a bill that is signed by the President.	 The president vetoes Congress's act. The Supreme Court declares Congress's act to be unconstitutional. Historical Example: U.S. v. Butler (AAA), Dred Scott v. Sandford (Missouri Compromise). 		
The Supreme Court Declares an act of Congress unconstitutional. Declares an action of the president unconstitutional.	 Congress proposes a constitutional amendment. The president appoints a new justice to the Supreme Court (if there is a vacancy). President's refusal to enforce court orders. Historical Example: Worcester v. Georgia, court appointments and FDR's court- 		

VII. DELEGATED, RESERVED AND CONCURRENT POWERS

National Government	SHARED BY BOTH NATIONAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS	State Government
DELEGATED POWERS: powers granted to the U.S. government that the Constitution mentions directly and explicitly	concurrent powers: powers that are exercised jointly by both the U.S. government and state governments	RESERVED POWERS: powers such as police protection and education that remain with the states after other powers were delegated to the national government by the Constitution
 Maintain army and navy Declare war Coin money Regulate trade between states and with foreign nations Make all laws necessary for carrying out delegated powers 	 Enforce laws Establish courts Borrow money Protect the safety of the people Build roads Collect taxes 	 Conduct elections Establish schools Regulate businesses within a state Establish local governments Regulate marriages Assume other powers not given to the national government or denied to the states





IX. AMENDMENTS

DEFINITIONS:

- 1. Amendment. An addition to or change in the U.S. Constitution; also, a change in a law or proposed law.
- 2. Bill of Rights. The first ten amendments of the Constitution which guarantee certain basic rights of the people against the power of the federal government.

Amendment	Subject
1 st	Guarantees freedom of religion, of speech, and of the press; the right to assemble peacefully; and
	the right to petition the government.
2 nd	Protects the right to possess firearms.
3 rd	Declares that the government may not require people to house soldiers during peacetime.
4 th	Protects people from unreasonable searches and seizures.
5 th	Guarantees that no one may be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law.
6 th	Guarantees the right to a trial by jury in criminal cases.
7 th	Guarantees the right to trial by jury in most civil cases.
8 th	Prohibits excessive bail, fines, and punishments.
9 th	Declares that rights not mentioned in the Constitution belong to the people.
10 th	Declares that powers not given to the national government belong to the states or to the people.

Other Amendments:

- 1. 13th Amendment Abolition of slavery
- 13 Amendment Abbillion of slavery
 14th Amendment Citizenship and civil rights
 15th Amendment Voting rights for African American men
 16th Amendment Income tax
 17th Amendment Direct election of senators

- 6. 18th Amendment Prohibition of alcoholic beverages
- 7. 19th Amendment Voting rights for women

- 21st Amendment Repeal of 18th Amendment
 22nd Amendment President limited to two terms
 26th Amendment Voting age lowered to eighteen

X. IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT TERMS/CONCEPTS



DEFINITIONS:

- <u>Direct Democracy</u>. A system of government in which the people participate directly in decision making through the voting process.
- 2. <u>Direct Election of Senators.</u> System put into practice under the Seventeenth Amendment whereby the voters rather than the state legislatures elect members of the Senate.
- 3. <u>Due Process</u>. A constitutional guarantee that persons under legal investigation receive fair treatment from government officials.
- 4. <u>Elastic Clause</u>. Congress can make all laws "necessary and proper" for carrying out the tasks listed in the Constitution. Examples of usage includes the purchase of Louisiana Territory, regulation of railroad and creation of a National Bank.)
- 5. <u>Electoral College.</u> An assembly elected by the voters that meets every four years to formally elect the President of the United States.
- 6. <u>"Equal Protection Under the Law."</u> A right guaranteed to American citizens under the Fourteenth Amendment.
- 7. **Executive Privilege.** The right claimed by Presidents to withhold information from the legislative or judicial branches.
- 8. <u>Federalism.</u> A system of government in which authority is divided between national and state governments.
- Habeas Corpus. An order requiring that a detained person be brought before a court at a stated time and place to decide whether the person's detention is proper and lawful.
- 10. <u>Impeach.</u> To accuse an official of wrongdoing an accusation that *may* lead to the person's being removed from office.
- 11. <u>Judicial Review.</u> Established by *Marbury v. Madison*, power of the Supreme Court to determine the constitutionality of acts of the legislative and executive branches of the government.
- 12. Lobby. To attempt to influence legislation; also, groups that attempt to do so.
- Loose Construction or Interpretation. A belief that the provisions of the Constitution, especially those granting power to the government, are to be construed in broad terms.
- 14. <u>Marshall Court.</u> The Supreme Court during the tenure of John Marshall as chief justice, in which key decisions were made that strengthened the federal government's role in the nation's economic business.
- 15. <u>Separation of Powers.</u> Power to govern is divided among the legislative, executive, and judiciary branches.
- Strict Construction or Interpretation. A literal reading of the Constitution holding that the federal government has only those powers explicitly delegated to it in the Constitution.
- 17. <u>Unwritten Constitution.</u> Traditions in government that are consistently practiced even though they are not specifically written into the Constitution. Examples include President's cabinet, political parties, "two-term tradition" until FDR's presidency.

XI. SUPREME COURT CASES



- 1. Marbury v. Madison (1803) established the right of Judicial Review. It was the first time a law or portion of a law was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. It emerged from a Supreme Court decision involving appointments made as Federalist President John Adams left office in 1801. The new Democratic-Republican President, Thomas Jefferson, told Secretary of State James Madison not to deliver the appointments. One of the appointees, William Marbury sued Madison. Madison won the case, but in the Marbury v. Madison (1803) decision, Chief Justice John Marshall overturned a Congressional act (Judiciary Act of 1789). This established the precedent for the power of judicial review. Marshall went on to use the power in a number of famous cases, and of course, it remains the Supreme Court's major power to this day.
- McCulloch v. Maryland (1819) established the right of the Federal Government to tax a bank incorporated within a state. It also established the fact that a state may not tax a branch of the United States bank which is located in that state. "The power to tax is the power to destroy." This statement was made in the majority decision in an effort to point out that if a state could tax a part of the Federal Government it could severely weaken it.
- 3. <u>Gibbons v. Ogden</u> (1824) established the supremacy of the Federal Government to regulate interstate commerce.
- 4. <u>Dred Scott v. Sanford</u> (1857) Dred Scott, a slave, had been taken by his master into the Minnesota region, which according to the Missouri Compromise was free territory. He was then brought back to Missouri, a slave state. To create a test case, the abolitionists had Dred Scott sue for his freedom on the grounds that his residence in free territory had made him a free man. The court ruled against Scott. Chief Justice Roger B. Taney began the majority opinion by stating that a slave could not be a citizen and that Scott could therefore not bring suit in a federal court. Taney then went beyond this point and ruled on the entire issue of slavery in federal territories. His further conclusions were labeled by antislavery men as an obiter dictum (Latin for "something said in passing") and therefore not legally binding. Taney stated that (a) slaves are property, (b) Congress may not deprive any person of the right to take property into federal territories, (c) the Missouri Compromise, which prohibited slavery in part of the Louisiana Territory, was unconstitutional. The Dred Scott decision was applauded by the South, denounced by the North.
- 5. <u>Plessy v. Ferguson</u> (1896) Supreme Court declared that separate public facilities for blacks were legal as long as they were equal. This in effect upheld legal segregation in society. Segregation which is allowed by the law is known as de juris segregation.
- 6. <u>schenck v. United States</u> (1919) Schenck's right to freedom of press was restricted. He had sent pamphlets through the mail urging young men to resist the draft during World War I. The court ruled that unlimited freedom of the press or speech under these circumstances presented a "clear and present danger" to the nation. Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes stated that "you don't yell fire in a crowded theater."
- 7. <u>Schechter Poultry v. United States</u> (1935) declared the National Industrial Recovery Act unconstitutional. This was a major setback for FDR's New Deal.
- 8. <u>U.S. v. Butler</u> (1936) declared the Agricultural Adjustment Act unconstitutional. This case and the Schechter case led to FDR's request to "pack the Supreme Court."
- 9. <u>Korematsu v. United States</u> (1944) Supreme Court ruled that the removal of the Japanese Americans in California to camps away from the coast during World War II constitutional.
- Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas (1954) ended once and for all de juris segregation in the United States. The majority opinion stated that "separate but equal was inherently unequal." This decision reversed the decision in Plessy v. Ferguson (1896).

Facilities for African-Americans were almost always inferior to those for whites. In education, schools for African-Americans were poorly constructed and equipped. African American teachers were poorly paid.

In 1954, in Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka (Kansas), the Supreme Court unanimously decided that segregation of African American children in public schools violates the Fourteenth Amendment. Chief Justice Earl Warren pointed out that (1) education plays a vital role in training children for citizenship, employment and use of leisure, (2) separating African-American children from others solely on the basis of race "generates a feeling of inferiority" that may affect them "in a way unlikely ever to be undone," and (3) therefore, "separate educational facilities are inherently unequal."

In 1955 the Supreme Court empowered federal District Courts to supervise plans of state and local authorities for achieving school desegregation with "all deliberate speed."

- 11. Mapp v. Ohio (1961) The Supreme Court ruled that if police are to search a person's home they MUST have a search warrant. The evidence presented in a court from an illegal search and seizure would be excluded. This was based upon the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.
- 12. Engel v. Vitale (1962) first in a series of several Supreme Court decisions declaring use of prayers in public schools to be unconstitutional. The Court decided that school prayers were a violation of the separation of church and state established by the first amendment of the Constitution.

13. <u>Baker v. Carr</u> (1962) – Supreme Court decided that districts within the United States that were established for determining representation in legislative bodies must be established so that they are approximately equal. This became known as the "one man one vote" principle.

- 14. Gideon v. Wainwright (1963) Issue: Due Process of Law and Rights to Counsel. Clarence Gideon, charged with burglary, was tried in a Florida state court. Too poor to afford a lawyer, Gideon requested free legal counsel of the state court, but his request was refused. Found guilty and imprisoned, Gideon appealed to the Supreme Court, which unanimously overturned his conviction. The Supreme Court held that Florida had denied Gideon his "due process" under the Fourteenth Amendment, which, the Court reasoned, requires that the state fulfill the Sixth Amendment guarantee of "assistance of counsel," even for the poor. Subsequently assisted by a lawyer in a new trial in Florida, Gideon was acquitted of the original burglary charge.
- 15. Escobedo v. Illinois (1964) Issue: Self-Incrimination and Right to Counsel. Escobedo was arrested as a murder suspect. The police told him that they had a "pretty tight" case and subjected him to a continuous barrage of questioning. The police refused Escobedo's repeated demands to see his lawyer and failed to inform him that he had a right to remain silent. Escobedo eventually made incriminating statements that were used against him in court to secure a verdict of "guilty." Escobedo appealed the case, and the Supreme Court, by a 5-to-4 decision, reversed the conviction. The majority opinion held that the police had denied the accused his Constitutional rights: to speak to his counsel and to be informed of his privilege against self-incrimination. The dissenting opinion held that the ruling was "wholly unworkable...unless police cars are equipped with public defenders" and claimed that it would cripple law enforcement.
- 16. Miranda v. Arizona (1966) The Supreme Court ruled that a person when arrested for a crime must be informed of their rights at the time of the arrest. The warning by the police must include; 1) the right to remain silent, 2) the right to an attorney, 3) the right to know that anything they say will be used against them in court, 4) the right to have an attorney even if they cannot afford one. These warnings became known as the Miranda Warnings.
- 17. Tinker v. Des Moines School District (1969) In December 1965, Marybeth and John Tinker planned to wear black arm bands to school signifying their protest of the Vietnam War. School officials became aware of the plan beforehand and adopted regulation banning the wearing of such armbands. Failure to comply with this regulation would result in suspension until the student returned to school without the armbands. Both Tinkers went ahead and wore the black armbands to school. They were suspended and told not to return with the armbands. The Tinkers claimed that their rights of free speech and expression, which are protected under the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, had been violated, and that they should have been allowed to attend school wearing armbands. The Court found high school antiwar protests, including the wearing of black armbands, to be protected speech, holding that students do not shed their freedom of expression "at the schoolhouse gate."
- 18. New York Times Co. v. United States (1971) The United States anted to restrain the New York Times and the Washington Post newspapers from publishing a classified study on Vietnam policy entitled, "History of United States Decision Making Process on Vietnam Policy," commonly called "Pentagon Papers." The Court ruled that prior restraints (prohibiting information from being published or aired) are almost never valid. The Government must strongly justify any abridgement of a newspaper's freedom of speech. Since, in the eyes of the Court, national security was not threatened by the printing of the "Pentagon Papers," no prior restraint was necessary and the Government's attempt at censorship was unconstitutional.
- 19. Roe v. Wade (1973) A Texas woman sought to determine her pregnancy. However, a Texas law made it a crime to procure or attempt an abortion except when the mother's life would be in danger if she remained pregnant. Ms. Roe challenged the Texas law on the grounds that the law violated her right of personal liberty given in the Fourteenth Amendment and her right to privacy protected by the Bill of Rights. In a 7 to 2 decision, written for the Court by Justice Harry Blackmun, the constitutional right of a woman to have an abortion was recognized. The Court held that this was part of the right to privacy implied by the Bill of Rights. The decision gave unqualified abortion rights to pregnant woman during the first trimester (3 months), permitted the states to place limitations during the second trimester, and affirmed the right of the state to prohibit abortion during the final trimester except when the mother's life was in jeopardy.
- 20. <u>U.S. v. Nixon</u> (1973) As a result of the Watergate investigation, President Nixon claimed Executive Privilege in the matter of turning over White House tape recordings to the Congress. As a result, the Supreme Court resolved a dispute two other branches of government.
- 21. <u>University of California v. Bakke</u> (1978) the Supreme Court ruled that while the use of affirmative action programs is legal, they must apply them in such a way that the right of others is not violated.
- 22. New Jersey v. T. L. O. (1985) In 1980, a teacher at Piscataway High School, New Jersey, discovered two girls smoking in the lavatory. Since smoking was a violation of a school rule, the two students, T.L.O. and a companion, were taken to the principal's office. School officials demanded to see T.L.O.'s purse. Upon opening the purse, he found cigarettes and cigarette rolling paper. He proceeded to look through the purse and found marijuana, a pipe, plastic bags, money, lists of names, and two letters that implicated her in drug dealing. T.L.O. argued the search of her purse was unconstitutional. The Supreme Court held for the school and the school officials. The Court reasoned to maintain discipline in school, the school officials who have "reasonable suspicion" that a student has done something wrong can conduct a reasonable search of the suspicious student. A school's main objective is to educate students in a legal, safe learning environment. Police need "probable cause," a higher standard, to search people, places, and things. School officials, unlike the police, need only "reasonable suspicion" to search student when they believe unlawful conduct is occurring.

XII. CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES

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CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES	EXAMPLES OF THIS PRINCIPLE AS A RECURRING THEME IN U.S. HISTORY
NATIONAL POWER - LIMITS AND POTENTIAL	 Loose v. Strict interpretation of the Constitution: Hamilton's financial plan and Louisiana Purchase. New Deal: expanding role of government
FEDERALISM – BALANCE BETWEEN NATION AND STATE	 Marshall Supreme Court cases: McCulloch v. Maryland, Gibbons v. Ogden Conflict over slavery: 1820 - 1860
THE JUDICIARY	 Marbury v. Madison Plessy v. Ferguson and Brown v. Broad of Education Scott v. Sandford
CIVIL LIBERTIES	 Schenck v. United States Korematsu v. United States Red Scare and McCarthyism
CRIMINAL PROCEDURES	 Mapp v. Ohio Miranda v. Arizona New Jersey v. TLO
EQUALITY	 Plessy v. Ferguson and Brown v. Board of Education Civil Rights Movement Women's Movement
THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN UNDER THE CONSTITUTION	 Seneca Falls Convention and 19th Amendment Effects of Industrialization on Women Roe v. Wade
THE RIGHTS OF ETHNIC AND RACIAL MINORITY GROUPS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION	 Scott v. Sandford Plessy v. Ferguson and Brown v. Board of Education Korematsu v. United States
PRESIDENTIAL POWER IN WARTIME AND IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS	 Washington's Proclamation of Neutrality Schenck v. United States Korematsu v. United States War Powers Act
THE SEPARATION OF POWERS AND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF GOVERNMENT	 Marbury v. Madison U.S. Nixon FDR and Supreme Court reorganization Treaty of Versailles
AVENUES OF REPRESENTATION	 Great Compromise: representation in Congress Direct election of senators Passage of 19th and 26th Amendments

PROPERTY RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC	Gibbons v. Ogden
POLICY	Northern Securities Co. v. United States
	Sherman and Clayton Acts
	Wagner Act
CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE AND	Washington: the unwritten constitution
FLEXIBILITY	Hamilton's bank plan: elastic clause
	Louisiana Purchase
	Federal Reserve System
	Amendments and court decisions and expand rights

XIII. IMPORTANT EVENTS IN U.S. HISTORY

Some of the terms can be found on the *U.S. History Flashcards link*.

AMERICAN REVOLUTION and ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION

salutary neglect	Boston Tea Party	Boston Massacre
Intolerable Acts	Common Sense	Declaration of Independence
French and Indian War	Articles of Confederation	Shays's Rebellion

CREATING THE CONSTITUTION

Great Compromise	Three-Fifths Compromise	Slave Trade Clause
Separation of Powers	bicameral legislature	Federalism
Federalists	Anti-Federalists	Bill of Rights
ratification	The Federalist Papers	electoral college
elastic clause	amendment	loose/strict interpretation
habeas corpus	delegated powers	reserved powers
checks and balances	concurrent powers	judicial review
due process of law	"equal protection" clause	Impeachment
unwritten constitution	Veto	John Marshall
Marbury v. Madison	McCulloch v. Maryland	Gibbons v. Ogden

POLICIES OF FIVE PRESIDENTS

Whisky Rebellion	Hamilton's Financial Plan	Louisiana Purchase
Alien and Seditions Acts	Washington's Farewell Address	XYZ Affair
War of 1812	Monroe Doctrine	

REFORM MOVEMENT

Seneca Falls Convention	Elizabeth Cady Stanton	Susan B. Anthony
temperance movement	Horace Mann	Dorothea Dix

EXPANSION, SECTIONALISM AND CIVIL WAR

"King Cotton"	Industrial Revolution	Sectionalism
frontier	manifest destiny	Slavery
Era of Good Feelings	Missouri Compromise	Jacksonian Democracy
"Tariff of Abominations"	nullification	"Trail of Tears"
spoils system	Texas Annexation	Mexican War
Mexican Cession	Gold Rush	Gadsden Purchase
"Fifty-four forty or fight!"	Compromise of 1850	Fugitive Slave Act
Kansas-Nebraska Act	Harriet Beecher Stowe	Abolitionist Movement
Harriet Tubman	Frederick Douglass	William Lloyd Garrison
John Brown	Dred Scott v. Sandford	Lincoln-Douglas Debates
popular sovereignty	Election of 1860	Secession
Emancipation Proclamation	Gettysburg Address	Confederacy
Dawes Act		



RECONSTRUCTION

Reconstruction	Lincoln's Plan	Johnson's Plan
Radical Republican's Plan	13 th , 14 th and 15 th Amendments	Black Codes
Freedmen's Bureau	Andrew Johnson	Ku Klux Klan
carpetbaggers	scalawags	"Solid South"
Jim Crow Laws	literacy tests	poll tax
"grandfather clause"	sharecroppers	Plessy v. Ferguson
Booker T. Washington	W.E.B. Du Bois	segregation

RISE OF AMERICAN BUSINESS AND LABOR

corporations	Interstate Commerce Act	Bessemer Process
"Captains of Industry"	"Robber Barons"	Andrew Carnegie
John D. Rockefeller	philanthropy	laissez-faire
Social Darwinism	Horatio Alger	monopoly
Knights of Labor	American Federation of Labor	collective bargaining
Great Railway Strike	Homestead Strike	Pullman Strike
Sherman Antitrust Act	Gilded Age	

AGRARIAN PROTEST

Homestead Act	Morill Act	Grange
Munn v. Illinois	Populist Movement	William Jennings Bryan

IMMIGRATION

"Old Immigrants"	"New Immigrants"	assimilation
melting pot theory	Nativism	Chinese Exclusion Act
Know-Nothings	Gentlemen's Agreement	Red Scare
quota laws		

PROGRESSIVE MOVMENT

Progressive Movement	temperance movement	civil service system
Pendleton Act	Jacob Riis and How the Other	Lincoln Steffens and Shame of
	Half Lives	the Cities
muckrakers	Upton Sinclair and The Jungle	Pure Food and Drug Act
Meat Inspection Act	Ida Tarbell and History of the	secret ballot, referendum,
	Standard Oil Company	initiative, recall
Boss Tweed	political machine	Jane Addam and Hull House
Graduated Income Tax (16th	Direct Election of Senators (17 th	tenements
Amendment)	Amendment)	
Roosevelt's "Square Deal"	Trustbuster	Eugene V. Debs
Bull Moose Party	Wilson's "New Freedom"	Federal Reserve System
19 th Amendment	NAACP	

IMPERIALISM

Imperialism	Open Door Policy	Spanish-American War
"yellow journalism"	De Lôme Letter	Maine
Platt Amendment	Hawaii, Cuba, Puerto Rico	Panama Canal
Roosevelt Corollary to Monroe	Dollar Diplomacy	Good Neighbor Policy
Doctrine		

WORLD WAR I

Causes of World War I: Nationalism, Militarism,	Ultimatum	Sinking of the Lusitania
Imperialism, Alliances		
"He Kept Us Out of War"	Neutrality	Zimmermann Note
Selective Service Act	Espionage and Sedition Acts	Schenck v. United States
"clear and present danger"	Fourteen Points	League of Nations
Treaty of Versailles	"war guilt" clause	Washington Conference
Kellogg-Briand Pact		



TWENTIES, GREAT DEPRESSION AND THE NEW DEAL

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"return to normalcy"	Teapot Dome	Roaring Twenties
Harlem Renaissance	Mass Consumption	Henry Ford and assembly line
Flapper	Prohibition	John Scopes
Sacco and Vanzetti	Great Migration	Marcus Garvey
Stock Market Crash	Causes of the Great Depression (overproduction, installment plan, buying on marginetc.)	Bonus Army
rugged individualism	Herbert Hoover	FDR's "New Deal"
"Hundred Days"	"Relief, Recovery, and Reform"	WPA and PWA
CCC	AAA	SEC
FDIC	TVA	Court-Packing
Social Security Act	Wagner Act	John Steinbeck
The Grapes of Wrath		

WORLD WAR II AND FIFTIES

Appeasement	Neutrality Acts	Lend-Lease Act
Atlantic Charter	Pearl Harbor	Holocaust
Yalta Conference	Korematsu v. United States	United Nations
GI Bill of Rights	suburbanization	Taft-Hartley Act
Truman's "Fair Deal"	baby boom	rock and roll

THE COLD WAR

Cold War	communism	satellite nations
Iron Curtain	containment	Truman Doctrine
Marshall Plan	Berlin Airlift	NATO
Warsaw Pact	Sputnik	Korean War
Bay of Pigs	Cuban Missile Crisis	Peace Corps
House Un-American Activities	Alger Hiss and Rosenbergs	McCarthyism
Committee		

CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

Jackie Robinson	Brown v. Board of Education	Little Rock
Bus Boycott in Montgomery	Sit-Ins	civil disobedience
Martin Luther King, Jr.	Rosa Parks	Malcolm X
Black Panthers	James Meredith	March on Washington
Civil Rights Act of 1964	Voting Rights Act of 1965	Betty Friedan and The Feminine Mystique
National Organization of Women (NOW)	Title IX	Equal Rights Amendment
Roe v. Wade	Cesar Chavez	United Farm Workers
American with Disabilities Act	Gideon v. Wainwright	Escobedo v. Illinois
Miranda v. Arizona	Engle v. Vitale	Mapp v. Ohio

SIXTIES

JFK's "New Frontier"	Johnson's "Great Society" and War on Poverty	Medicare and Medicaid
Head Start	Ralph Nader's Unsafe at Any Speed	Rachel Carson and Silent Spring

VIETNAM WAR AND THE SEVENTIES

"domino effect"	The Gulf of Tonkin Resolution	Vietnamization
War Powers Act	SALT	realpolitik
Nixon's Trip to China	Nixon Doctrine	stagflation
Environmental Protection Agency	"New Federalism"	Watergate
executive privilege	Gerald Ford	détente

RECENT HISTORY

Green Revolution	Jimmy Carter	Hostage Crisis
Ronald Reagan	Iran-Contra Affair	supply-side economics
Reaganomics	George Bush	Persian Gulf War
Bill Clinton	NATO and Bosnia	NAFTA
affirmative action	OPEC	



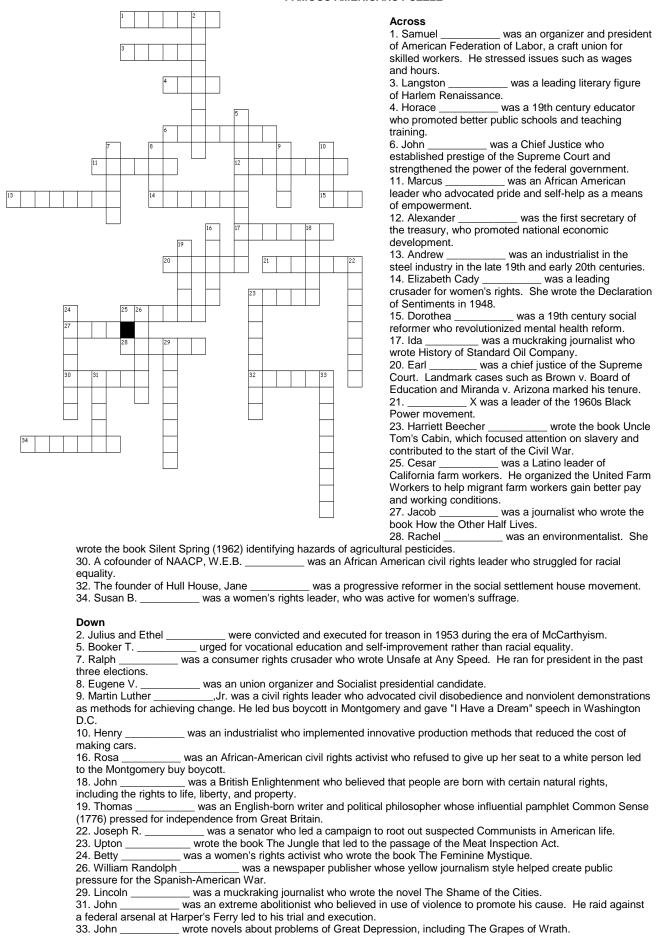
XIV. POSSIBLE ESSAY TOPICS

Note Well: To do well on the essay portion of the exam, you must include specific details (date, historical characters, events...etc.). Below is a list of <u>possible</u> essay topics along with several specific examples. Your task is to fill out the chart using the Review Book.

TOPICS	SPECIFIC EXAMPLES
	containment (Marshall Plan, Truman Doctrine, détente, Korean War, Vietnam War)
FOREIGN POLICIES	isolationism (Washington's Farewell Address, Neutrality Acts)
	manifest destiny and imperialism (Monroe Doctrine, westward expansion, Big Stick Policy, Roosevelt Corollary)
	Freedom of speech and expression (Schenck v. United States)
	Criminal Procedures (Mapp v. Ohio, Miranda v. Arizona, New Jersey v. TLO)
	Separation of Powers (Marbury v. Madison, FDR and the Supreme Court, Treaty of Versailles)
CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES AND COURT CASES (also see Constitutional Principles Supreme Court Cases Handout)	Judicial Review (Marbury v. Madison, New Deal legislations)
	Elastic Clause (National Bank, Louisiana Purchase)
	Presidential Powers During Wartime (Korematsu v. U.S., Cuban Missile Crisis, War Powers Act and Gulf of Tonkin Resolutions)
	Federalism (Nullification of National Bank, McCulloch v. Maryland, Gibbons v. Ogden)
	Square Deal (trustbusting)/T. Roosevelt
ECONOMIC AND DOMESTIC POLICIES	New Deal/FDR
	Great Society (Medicare, Head Start)/LBJ
	supply-side economics (Reganomics)/Reagan

	Women (Seneca Falls Convention, ERA, Roe v. Wade, Glass Ceiling)
	African-Americans (W.E.B. Du Bois, NAACP, Martin Luther King, Jr., Rosa Parks)
MINORITIES AND STRUGGLE FOR	
CIVIL RIGHTS	Disabled Americans (mainstreaming, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990)
	Immigrants (Read p. 136 – 139 for problems of immigrants, reaction against immigration)
	Review Famous Americans Puzzle and p. 363 – 371 in Review Book.
INDIVIDUALS/ PRESIDENTS	
	AMERICAN REVOLUTION
	CIVIL WAR
	RECONSTRUCTION
	INDUSTRIALIZATION
HISTORICAL	wwi
PERIODS	ROARING TWENTIES
	GREAT DEPRESSION
	NEW DEAL
	wwii
	COLD WAR
	SIXTIES
	VIETNAM WAR
	Computer Revolution
	Education
PROBLEMS/ ISSUES	AIDS epidemic
	Environmental Threats
	Terrorism
	Affirmative Action
REFORM MOVEMENTS	Progressive and Other Reforms (Jacob Riis, <i>The Jungle</i> , Ida Tarbell, Jane Addams, Dorothea Dix, Abolition, Horace Mann)
	Labor Movement (early unions, collective bargaining)
	Women's Movement (Seneca Falls Convention, Roe v. Wade, ERA, 19 th Amendment)
	Civil Rights Movement (sit-ins, Brown v. Board of Education, Rosa Parks, Civil Rights Acts)

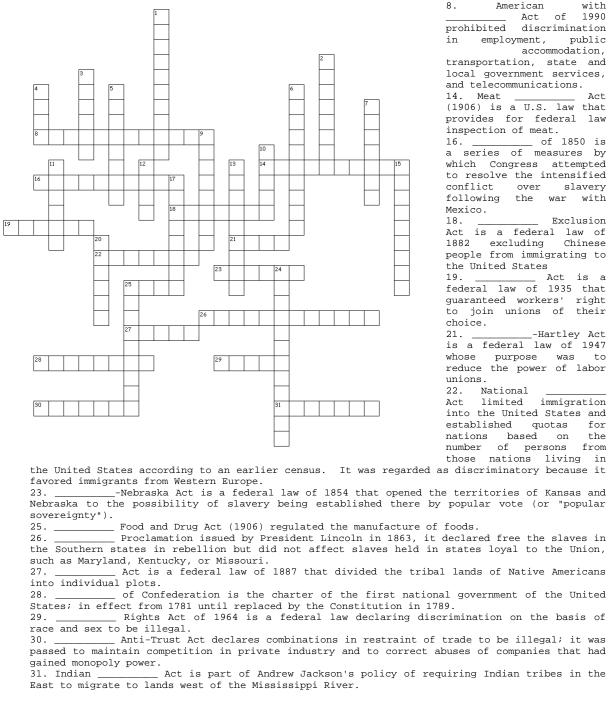
FAMOUS AMERICANS PUZZLE



MAJOR LEGISLATIONS IN U.S. HISTORY

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- 1. _____ Commerce Act is a federal law of 1887 outlawing unfair practices and establishing the first federal regulatory commission.
- 2. ______ Slave Law is a federal law passed in 1850 that required Northern states to return escaped slaves to their owners in the South. It was widely opposed by a variety of legal and extra-legal means.
- 3. Freedmen's _____ Act creates a government agency during Reconstruction that provided schools, medical aid, and other services for people freed from slavery.
- 4. ______-Lease Act is a law of Congress of 1941 authorizing the shipping of U.S. war supplies to Great Britain on credit.
- 5. Alien and ______ Acts are laws of Congress of 1798 passed by a Federalist majority to suppress criticisms by the opposing party.
- 6. _____ Address is a short speech by President Lincoln (1863) eloquently stating the ideals for which the North fought during the Civil War.
- 7. Emergency $_$ Act (1933) declared a bank holiday in order to stop the collapse pf the national banking system.
- 9. Social ______ Act, passed in 1935, it provides an income for persons who are disabled or aged and for families without a wage earner; it has become the basic means of support for retired persons who lack private pensions from employers.
- 10. ______ IX is a provision of a federal law that prohibited discrimination on the basis of sex in any educational program receiving federal funds.

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11 Rights Act of 1965 is a federal law to defend the right the South to register to vote. 12 of Rights is the first ten amendments to the Constitution and the second se	nd to settlers. tem for governing western hority to regulate stock I forces in combat without nam War, in which millions tome by cutting the amount
IMPORTANT FOREIGN POLICIES IN AMERICAN HISTOR	RY
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1. ______ Destiny is a belief held in the first half of the 19th century that the United States had a mission to expand its borders to incorporate all land between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

"entangling alliances."
24. Roosevelt _____

27. The Treaty of _

to ratify it.

expansion of Monroe Doctrine.

marked the end of World War I; however the U.S. Senate refused

tension between the United States and the Soviet Union from the end of World War II to 1990.

is the

_ War; a period of

3. _____ is the U.S. policy after World War II of trying to keep the Soviet Union from expanding its area of influence and dominance.

6. _____ Missile Crisis brought the United States and the Soviet Union to the brink of war in the 1960s.

Good Policy; FDR's policy toward Latin Ameri	ica intended to strengthen relations with the nations of that	
region.	•	
10 Points; President Wilson's proposal in 1918 in 1918 Crisis; Islamic rebels took the United States		
13. a takeover of the ground fighting by Vietnamese soldiers		
14 Doctrine provided economic aid to Turkey ar16. a group of nations mutually allied by treaty	nd Greece.	
17 Plan provided economic aid to countries suc	ch as Britain, France, Italy and West Germany.	
20 Doctrine is a policy statement in 1823 warning independent nations of Latin America.	ng nations of western Europe not to interfere with the newly	
independent nations of Latin America. 21. FDR convinced Congress to pass the Lend	Act, which allowed the United States to sell or lend war	
materials to "any country whose defense the President deems	s vital to the defense of the United States."	
23. In the 1950's, the United States and the Soviet Union beg weapons.	gan an race, stockpiling nuclear and non-nuclear	
26 Theory; prevalent during the Vietnam War, the	hat if one Asian nation became Communist, neighboring	
nations would as well 28 is a policy of avoiding alliances and other type	nes of involvement in the affairs of other nations	
	IT TERMS AND CONCEPTS	
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ACROSS		
3. The Papers are pro-ratification essays written by Hamilton, Jay, and Madison.		
5. the supreme law of the United States		
7. a system of government in which authority is divided between national and state governments		
8 powers are given by the Constitution to	2	
the national government and denied to state governments.		
10. Alexander Hamilton of the Federalists favored the establishment of a national		
11. those powers held by the state in the American		
federal system 14 interpretation is the literal reading of		
the Constitution.	3	
17. Chief Justice John Marshall first stated the right of review in the case of Marbury v. Madison.		
18 interpretation is a belief that the		
provisions of the Constitution, especially those granting power to the government, are to be construed in broad	5	
terms.	6	
19. Also known as the necessary and proper clause, it allows the Congress to make all laws necessary for	7	
carrying out the tasks listed in the Constitution.		
20. During the tenure of John as chief	8 9	
justice, key decisions were made that strengthened the federal government.		
22. A is an alliance of independent states	10 11 12 13	
in which the states give as much power as they choose to the central government.	14 15	
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DOWN 1. Jefferson's Declaration of Independence reflects the	16	
writings from the period.		
Certain powers belong to both national and state governments.		
4. a change in or addition to the Constitution	18	
Republicans, led by Jefferson, believed in strong governments.		
9 college is an assembly elected by the	13	
voters that meets every four years to formally elect the President of the United States.	20	
10. a lawmaking body composed of two houses		
12. The Three-Fifths Compromise resolved the issue of	H	
13branch is the part of a government		
that carries out its laws.		
15. the group of officials who head government departments and advise the President		
16. The colonies' first lawmaking body is called the House of	·	
21. to attempt to influence legislation		