**GOVERNMENT: DEPARTMENTAL FINAL QUESTIONS**

**\_\_\_\_\_2.** **What does the** [**Constitution**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/blconst.htm) **do?**

1. *sets up the government*
2. *Defines state laws*
3. *It is a contract for the American people*
4. *Encourages the American people to be involved in the federal government*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_4. What is an amendment?**

1. *a change to the Constitution c. a speech*
2. *a change to the Executive Branch d. a law*

**\_\_\_\_\_5. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?**

* 1. *The Ten Commandments c. The Bill of Amendments*
  2. *The First Amendment d.* [*The Bill of Rights*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/blconbor.htm)

**\_\_\_\_\_\_6. What is one right or freedom from the First Amendment?**

1. *Bear arms b. Speech c. Vote d. Government*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_11. What is the economic system in the United States?**

1. *Democracy c. Capitalist/Market economy*
2. *Representative Democracy d. Welfare State*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_13. Name the 3 Branches of Government**

1. *Legislative, Presidential, Congress c. Presidential, Congress, Supreme Court*
2. *Legislative, Judicial, Executive d. Executive, Judicial, Transparency*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_14. What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?**

1. *Separation of Powers c. Weights and Balances*
2. *The Courts d.* [*Checks and Balances*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/usconstitution/a/sepofpowers.htm)

**\_\_\_\_\_\_15. Who is in charge of the** [**executive branch**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/thepresidentandcabinet/a/execbranch.htm)**?**

* 1. *The* [*President*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/thepresidentandcabinet/a/aboutpotus.htm) *c. The Vice President*
  2. *c. The Cabinet d. The Congress*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_16. Who makes federal laws?**

1. *The President b. The Congress*

*c. The Supreme Court d. The States*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_17. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?**

1. *Congress and the House of Representatives*
2. *The State Senate and the State Assembly*
3. *The Senate and the Parliament*
4. *The* [*Senate*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/uscongress/a/aboutsenate.htm) *and* [*House*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/uscongress/a/abouthouse.htm) *of Representatives*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_18. How many Senators are in the US Senate?**

1. *50 b. 375 c. 480 d. 100*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_19. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?**

1. *2 b. 4 c. 6 d. 8*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_21. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?**

1. *375 b. 50 c. 435 d. 100*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_22. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?**

1. *2 b. 4 c. 6 d. 8*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_25. Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?**

1. *Because some states are bigger than others.*
2. *Because of* [*the state's population*](http://usgovinfo.about.com/library/census/blcensus01.htm)
3. *Because of the number of senators the state has*
4. *Because of the amount of money the state has*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_26. We elect a President for how many years?**

1. *2 b. 4 c. 6 d. 8*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_32. Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?**

*a. Attorney General c. Commander General Washington*

*b. Vice President d. The President*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_33. Who has the power to signs bills into laws?**

*a. The President c. The Vice President*

*b. The Speaker of the House d. The President Pro Tempore*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_35. What does the** [**President's Cabinet**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/blcababout.htm) **do?**

*a. Organize the President’s clothes c. Keep the President’s Secrets*

*b. Tell the President what to do d. Advise the President*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_37. What does the** [**judicial branch**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/uscourtsystem/a/judicialbranch.htm) **do?**

* 1. *Decides who gets sentenced to death*

1. *Decides what becomes law*
2. *resolves disputes and decides if a law goes against the Constitution*
3. *Judges the president*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_42. Under our Constitution,** [**some powers belong to the states**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/rightsandfreedoms/a/federalism.htm)**. What is one**

**power reserved for the states?**

*a. Schooling and Education c. Print Money*

*b. Declare war d. Border Patrol*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_48. There are four amendments to the Constitution regarding voting.**

**Describe one of them.**

*a. Citizens eighteen 18 and older can vote c. People with visas can vote*

*b. Women who are married can vote d. All College Students can vote*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_55. What are two** [**ways that Americans can participate**](http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/rightsandfreedoms/u/takepart.htm) **in their democracy?**

*a. Vote and give an elected official your opinion on an issue*

*b. Run for office and travel*

*c. Enjoy shopping and voting*

*d. Donating to NGO’s and going to college*