

1965 Alabama Literacy Test

1. Which of the following is a right guaranteed by the Bill of Rights?
 Public Education Employment Trial by Jury Voting
2. The federal census of population is taken every five years. True False
3. If a person is indicted for a crime, name two rights which he has.
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4. A US Senator elected at the general election in November takes office the following year on what date?
5. A president elected at the general election in November takes office the following year on what date?
6. Which definition applies to the word "amendment"?
 Proposed change, as in a Constitution
 To make peace between nationals in a war
 A part of government
7. A person appointed to the Supreme Court is appointed for a term of _____.
8. When the Constitution was approved by the original colonies, how many states had to ratify it in order for it to be put into effect?
9. Does enumeration affect the income tax levied on citizens in various states?
10. A person opposed to swearing in an oath may say, instead: (solemnly) _____
11. To serve as President of the US, a person must have attained:
 25 years of age
 35 years of age
 40 years of age
 45 years of age
12. What words are required by law to be on all coins and paper currency of the US?
13. If a vacancy occurs in the US Senate, the state must hold an election, but meanwhile the place may be filled by a temporary appointment made by: _____
14. A US Senator is elected for a term of _____ years.
15. Appropriation of money for the armed services can only be for a period limited to _____ years.
16. The President and his administrative officers make up which branch of the government?
17. The number of representatives which a state is entitled to have in the House of Representatives is based on _____.

18. The Constitution protects an individual against punishments that are _____ & _____.
19. When a jury has heard and rendered a verdict in a case, and the judgment on the verdict becomes final, the defendant cannot be brought to trial for the same cause.
___ True ___ False
20. Name two levels of government that can levy taxes:
21. Cases tried before a court of law are two types, civil and _____.
22. By a majority vote of the members of Congress, the Congress can change provisions of the Constitution of the US. ___ True ___ False
23. For its own security, each state has the right to form a _____.
24. The electoral vote for President is counted in the presence of two bodies. Name them:
25. If no candidate for President receives a majority of the electoral vote, who decides who will become President?
26. Capital punishment is the giving of a death sentence. ___ True ___ False
27. "Involuntary servitude" is permitted in the US upon conviction of a crime. ___ True ___ False
28. If a state is a party to a case, the Constitution provides that original jurisdiction shall be in which court?
29. The Legislatures of each state decide how presidential electors may be chosen.
___ True ___ False
30. If it were voted to join Alabama and Mississippi to form one state, which groups would have to vote approval in order for this to be done?
31. The Constitution limits the size of the District of Columbia to _____.
32. If no one running for Vice President receives a majority of the electoral votes, the VP is chosen by the Senate. ___ True ___ False
33. How many votes must a person receive in order to become President if the election is decided by the House of Representatives?
34. Name the two bodies that compose the Congress:
35. If the President of the United States is impeached, who must preside over the trial?