

Chp 13.5 The Election

Name _____ Period ____

1. When voters vote for a President, what are they actually picking?
2. How many electors does each state have?
3. Although they were intended to use their own judgment, who do today's electors vote for?
4. How are electors chosen in every state?
5. On what day are they chosen?
6. Electors are chosen "at large" in every state except Maine & Nebraska. What does this mean?
7. Do the names of the electors appear on the voting ballot in most states? Whose names usually appear?
8. How & when do the electors cast their votes?
9. When and where does the formal election of the President and Vice President take place?
10. If no one receives a majority vote for President, who decides who is to be President?
11. If the House fails to elect a President by January 20th, who runs the country until the choice is made?
12. What is the first major defect of the Electoral College?
13. What is the second major defect of the Electoral College?
14. What is the third major defect of the Electoral College?
15. Describe each of the 4 plans to reform the Electoral College:
-District Plan

-Proportional Plan

-Direct Popular Election

-National Bonus Plan

16. Supporters of the Electoral College say the current system has 2 major strengths. What are they?

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