

American Citizenship Test Prep Course (2025 Version) Syllabus

Unit 1: Constitution and Branches of Government	
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What is the form of government of the United States?2. What is the supreme law of the land?3. Name one thing the U.S. Constitution does.4. The U.S. Constitution starts with the words “We the People.” What does “We the People” mean?5. Many documents influenced the U.S. Constitution. Name one.
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none">6. How are changes made to the US Constitution?7. What does the Bill of Rights protect?8. How many amendments does the US Constitution have?9. What are three rights or freedoms of everyone living in the United States?
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none">10. Name the three branches of government.11. There are three branches of government. Why?
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none">12. What part of the federal government writes laws?13. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?14. Name one power of the U.S. Congress.15. How many voting members are in the House of Representatives?16. How long is a term for a member of the House of Representatives?17. Some states have more representatives than other states. Why?18. Why do U.S. representatives serve shorter terms than U.S. senators?19. How many U.S. senators are there?20. How many senators does each state have?21. Why does each state have two senators?22. How long is a term for a U.S. senator?23. Who does a U.S. senator represent?24. Who elects U.S. senators?

	<p>25. Who does a member of the House of Representatives represent?</p> <p>26. Who elects members of the House of Representatives?</p>
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 5	<p>27. The President of the United States is in charge of which branch of government?</p> <p>28. Who is Commander in Chief of the U.S. military?</p> <p>29. The President of the United States is elected for how many years?</p> <p>30. Why is the Electoral College important?</p> <p>31. The President of the United States can serve only two terms. Why?</p> <p>32. Name one power of the president.</p> <p>33. Who signs bills to become laws?</p> <p>34. Who vetoes bills?</p> <p>35. Who appoints federal judges?</p>
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 6	<p>36. The Executive branch has many parts. Name one.</p> <p>37. If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?</p> <p>38. What does the President's Cabinet do?</p> <p>39. What are two Cabinet-level positions?</p>
Constitution and Branches of Government – Lesson 7	<p>40. What is one part of the Judicial Branch?</p> <p>41. What does the Judicial Branch do?</p> <p>42. What is the highest court in the United States?</p> <p>43. How many seats are on the Supreme Court?</p> <p>44. How many Supreme Court justices are usually needed to decide a case?</p> <p>45. How long do Supreme Court justices serve?</p> <p>Supreme Court justices serve for life. Why?</p>

Unit 2: Laws and Civic Responsibilities

Laws and Civic Responsibilities – Lesson 1	46. What is the purpose of the 10 th Amendment? 47. Name one power that is only for the federal government. 48. Name one power that is only for the states.
Laws and Civic Responsibilities – Lesson 2	49. What is the rule of law?
Laws and Civic Responsibilities – Lesson 3	50. Four amendments to the US Constitution talk about voting. Describe one of them.
Laws and Civic Responsibilities – Lesson 4	51. What are two examples of civic participation in the United States? 52. What is one way Americans can serve their country?
Laws and Civic Responsibilities – Lesson 5	53. Who can vote in federal elections, run for federal office, and serve on a jury in the United States? 54. It is important for all men age 18 through 25 to register for the Selective Service. Name one reason why. 55. Why is it important to pay federal taxes?

Unit 3: Colonial American History	
Colonial American History – Lesson 1	56. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived? 57. Name one American Indian tribe in the United States.
Colonial American History – Lesson 2	58. The colonists came to America for many reasons. Name one.
Colonial American History – Lesson 3	59. What war did the Americans fight to win independence from Britain? 60. Name one reason why the Americans declared independence from Britain.
Colonial American History – Lesson 4	61. What founding document said the American colonies were free from Britain? 62. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence? 63. Why is the Declaration of Independence important? 64. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted? 65. Name two important ideas from the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. 66. There were 13 original states. Name five. 67. The words "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness" are in what founding document? 68. The American Revolution had many important events. 69. Name two important ideas from the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.
Colonial American History – Lesson 5	70. What founding document was written in 1787? 71. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the US Constitution. Name one of the writers. 72. Why were the Federalist Papers important?
Colonial American History – Lesson 6	73. Benjamin Franklin is famous for many things. Name one. 74. George Washington is famous for many things. Name one. 75. James Madison is famous for many things. Name one. 76. Alexander Hamilton is famous for many things. Name one. 77. Thomas Jefferson is famous for many things. Name one.

Unit 4: 1800s American History

1800s American History – Lesson 1	78. Name one leader of the women’s rights movement in the 1800s. 79. What territory did the US buy from France in 1803?
1800s American History – Lesson 2	80. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s. 81. Name the US war between the North and the South.
1800s American History – Lesson 3	82. What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?
1800s American History – Lesson 4	83. Abraham Lincoln is famous for many things. Name one. 84. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do? 85. The Civil War had many important events. Name one. 86. Was US war ended slavery? 87. When did all men get the right to vote?

Unit 5: 1900s and Recent American History

1900s and Recent American History – Lesson 1	88. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s. 89. Why did the United States enter World War I? 90. When did all women get the right to vote?
1900s and Recent American History – Lesson 2	91. What was the Great Depression? 92. When did the Great Depression start? 93. Who was President during the Great Depression and World War II? 94. Why did the United States enter World War II? 95. Dwight Eisenhower is famous for many things. Name one.
1900s and Recent American History – Lesson 3	96. What did the Civil Rights Movement do? 97. Martin Luther King, Jr. is famous for many things. Name one.
1900s and Recent American History – Lesson 4	98. Who was the United States’ main rival during the Cold War? 99. During the Cold War, what was one main concern of the United States? 100. What is the economic system in the United States? 101. Why did the United States enter the Korean War? 102. Why did the United States enter the Vietnam War?
1900s and Recent American History – Lesson 5	103. Why did the United States enter the Persian Gulf War? 104. What major event happened on September 11, 2001 in the United States? 105. Name one US military conflict after the September 11, 2001 attacks.

Unit 6: Geography, Symbols, and Holidays	
Geography, Symbols, and Holidays – Lesson 1	106. What is the capital of the US?
Geography, Symbols, and Holidays – Lesson 2	107. Why does the flag have 13 stripes? 108. Why does the flag have 50 stars? 109. What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance? 110. Where is the Statue of Liberty? 111. What is the name of the national anthem? 112. The Nation’s first motto was “E Pluribus Unum.” What does that mean? 113. Name two promises that new citizens make in the Oath of Allegiance. 114. How can people become United States citizens? 115. What amendment says all persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are US citizens?
Geography, Symbols, and Holidays – Lesson 3	116. What is Independence Day? 117. Name three national US holidays. 118. What is Memorial Day? 119. What is Veterans Day?

Unit 7: American Innovation	
American Innovation – Lesson 1	120. Name one example of an American innovation.
American Innovation – Lesson 2	

The following questions are not covered in this course because the answers may vary depending on when and where the test is taken:

121. Who is one of your state’s U.S. senators now?
122. Name your U.S. representative.
123. What is the name of the Speaker of House of Representatives now?
124. What is the name of the President of the United States now?
125. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?
126. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States now?
127. Who is the governor of your state now?
128. What is the capital of your state?