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The United States Constitution – a scavenger hunt

**Directions:** for each of the items below:

1. provide the correct answer
2. identify the part of the Constitution – as amended – where the answer is found
3. write the answer and location in the spaces below the questions

**Sample question/answers:**

Q: Does the United States Congress have the power to tax?

A: Yes - Article I, Sect. 8 ¶ 4

Q: Who has the government’s executive power?

A: The President – Article II, Sect. 1 ¶ 1

Points are scored according to order of finish WITH ALL ITEMS correctly answered and located.

1st = 10 pts. 2nd = 7 pts. 3rd = 5 pts. 4th = 3 pts. 5th = 2 pts. 6th = 1 pt.

1. Does the Vice President ACTUALLY BECOME the new President [not acting President], if the President is not able to continue in office?
2. Who has the power to declare war?
3. Who is the Commander-in-Chief of the United States armed forces?
4. How long do federal judges serve [what is the term of office]?
5. How many Senators represent each state in the U.S. Congress?
6. Is slavery legal in the United States?
7. At what age are citizens allowed to vote?
8. What is the highest [supreme] law in the United States?
9. What is the absolute maximum time a person may serve as President of the United States?
10. What must the police have in order to search your house [legally]?
11. How often is the population of the United States counted [enumerated]?
12. What was required for the Constitution to be ratified [accepted, make official]?
13. Can the government borrow money?
14. According to the Constitution, who has the ultimate power of government?
15. If a bill [a proposed law] is passed by both the Senate and the House of Representatives, where does it go next?
16. Any bill/law whose purpose is to raise money [revenue] must begin where?
17. What is the minimum age for a member of the House of Representatives?
18. Who has the judicial power of the United States government?
19. Can convicted criminals be punished by pulling out all their fingernails, with no anesthesia?
20. What can the President do if Congress passes a law with which he does not agree?
21. Who has the power to regulate [laws controlling] trade and commerce?
22. Who can admit new states to the United States?
23. Is a couple married in one state considered legally married in another state?
24. What is required for a STATE to take your life, liberty or property away from you?
25. What can happen to a President [or any civil officer] who is convicted of treason, bribery or other high crimes and misdemeanors?