

American Government & Politics: A Christian Worldview – Quiz 4
(“Article I” – “The Bill of Rights and the Babysitter”)

- _____ 1. How many representatives does the Constitution currently fix for the House?
A. 100 B. 435 C. 538 D. 30,000
- _____ 2. How did the Three-Fifths Clause affect the influence of slave-allowing states in the House?
A. It granted slaves full voting rights.
B. It forced slaves to be counted as zero.
C. It increased the number of free states.
D. It reduce the influence of slave-allowing states.
- _____ 3. What is true about the “General Welfare” clause?
A. It is restricted by the specific enumerated powers that follow it.
B. It refers only to military defense, rather than non-military spending.
C. It is an absolute power to do anything Congress believes as necessary.
D. It grants the President the power to tax in emergency situations.
- _____ 4. What does the “Elastic Clause” allow Congress to do?
A. Ignore all other sections of the Constitution.
B. Make laws necessary and proper to execute their listed powers.
C. Write laws on any subject they choose.
D. Veto the President’s actions if/when they are unconstitutional.
- _____ 5. What fraction of Congress is needed to override a Presidential veto?
A. A simple majority B. Three-fourths C. Two-thirds D. One more than one half
- _____ 6. What is the primary purpose of the Electoral College?
A. To allow the House to pick the winner of a disputed presidential election
B. To ensure a simple majority of presidential votes in an election always wins
C. To make sure the Senate holds enough power to ensure that elections are not corrupted
D. To give states input and prevent dominant populous regions from controlling the nation
- _____ 7. What does “impeach” mean?
A. To remove a President or member of the court
B. To appoint a new judge when one dies or retires
C. To override a presidential veto
D. To put a government official on trial
- _____ 8. Treason is defined in the Constitution as _____.
A. levying war against the states
B. criticizing the President harshly, or unfairly
C. refusing to pay lawfully owed taxes
D. Any of these
- _____ 9. Which phrase is essential to understanding the Supremacy Clause?
A. “Supreme law of the land”
B. “Power to tax”
C. “Which shall be made in pursuance thereof”
D. “Executive power vested”
- _____ 10. Why were the true Federalists suspicious of the original Constitution?
A. It had a Bill of Rights.
B. It lacked a powerful executive branch.
C. It lacked a Bill of Rights to protect against government abuse.
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