

Chapter 6 Test on Understanding Our Government

Multiple Choice (15 pts.) Read the following statements carefully. Select and circle the **most correct** choice from among the choices provided.

1. The kind of government the United States has is known as a?
 - A. Communist
 - B. Dictatorship
 - C. Constitutional Republic
 - D. Constitutional Monarch
2. The type of government the Vatican City has is known as a?
 - A. Constitutional Monarch
 - B. Dictatorship
 - C. One Party State
 - D. Theocracy
3. The type of government Great Britain and Canada have is known as a?
 - A. Constitutional Monarch
 - B. Military
 - C. Monarch
 - D. One Party State
4. The type of government that **best** characterizes the one Somalia has is?
 - A. Anarchy
 - B. Dictatorship
 - C. Military
 - D. One Party State
5. Which one is **not** a power of Congress?
 - A. approve the printing of money
 - B. approve state constitutions
 - C. declare war on other countries
 - D. make laws controlling trade among states and countries
6. Which federal job is **not** in the Executive branch of government?
 - A. Attorney General
 - B. Secretary of Defense
 - C. Senator
 - D. Environmental Protection Agency leader
7. Branch of government that has people ruling whether a law breaks our national constitution?
 - A. Executive
 - B. Federal
 - C. Judicial
 - D. Legislative

8. The fact that Congress can override a President's veto of a bill is known as?
 - A. Congressional impeachment
 - B. checks and balances
 - C. executive privilege
 - D. separation of church and state
9. Which one is **not** a responsibility of citizenship in the U. S.?
 - A. paying taxes
 - B. serving on a jury when called to do so
 - C. serving in the military
 - D. running for office in the local government
10. What is the fraction that is required to override a President's or Governor's veto?
 - A. 1/2
 - B. 2/3
 - C. 3/4
 - D. 8/10
11. Which one of the following is **not** a municipality in Pennsylvania?
 - A. borough
 - B. city
 - C. township
 - D. village
12. Gifford Pinchot served in which branch of state and national government?
 - A. Federal
 - B. Executive
 - C. Judicial
 - D. Legislative
13. Which one of the following is **not** a form of local government?
 - A. boroughs
 - B. cities
 - C. counties
 - D. townships
14. Counties that determine their own form of government have what is known as?
 - A. county councils
 - B. executive privileges
 - C. municipality privileges
 - D. home rule charters
15. The center of county government is located at a place known as?
 - A. county capital
 - B. county courthouse
 - C. county seat
 - D. county couch

Matching (14 pts.) Match each phrase in Column B with its description in Column A by clearly writing the number in the blank space provided. Cross off each phrase as it is used. **Two phrases will not be used from Column B.**

Column A

Column B

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| ___ A. second in command of state government | 1. Attorney General |
| ___ B. leader of the Representatives | 2. Auditor General |
| ___ C. choose cases involving interpretation of state constitution | 3. Common Pleas Court |
| ___ D. chief law enforcement officer of the state | 4. Commonwealth Court |
| ___ E. any bill involving money starts in this chamber | 5. District Justice |
| ___ F. highest court at the county level | 6. Governor |
| ___ G. hear all cases brought against state government | 7. General Assembly |
| ___ H. leader of the executive branch of state government | 8. Harrisburg |
| ___ I. leader of the Senate | 9. House of Representatives |
| ___ J. hear criminal and civil appeals from the county court level | 10. Lieutenant Governor |
| ___ K. fifty (50) law makers consist of this group | 11. President |
| ___ L. both chambers of state government are known as the | 12. President Protempore |
| ___ M. watchdog of the state treasury | 13. Senate |
| ___ N. judges at the municipality level | 14. Speaker of the House |
| | 15. State Superior Court |
| | 16. State Supreme Court |

Short Answer (6pts.)

1) Cite 4 rights or freedoms U.S. citizens have. (4 pts.)

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| A. | B. |
| C. | D. |

2) Explain one **main** difference between our State Constitution and our Federal Constitution. (2 pts.)

Fill-in-the-Blank (15 pts.) The word table below contains some of the main economic words studied in Chapter 5. Below are statements that describe these key terms. Use words from the word table to fill in the blanks with the **best** answer for each statement. **Two choices in the word table will not be used.** Note: Cross off words that you have used.

Government Words

appeal	audit	bill	commissioners	council
executive	judicial	legislative	mayor	municipalities
ordinances	preamble	revenue	supervisors	tax
veto	zones			

- 1) A written suggestion for a law is known as? 1 _____
- 2) Areas established for land use development are known as? 2 _____
- 3) Beginning statement that explains a document's purpose 3 _____
- 4) To check for financial accuracy of records? 4 _____
- 5) Laws and rules at the local level? 5 _____
- 6) Townships, boroughs, and cities are known as? 6 _____
- 7) Elected leaders at the township level are called? 7 _____
- 8) Body of elected leaders at the borough level is called a/an? 8 _____
- 9) Elected leaders at the county level are called? 9 _____
- 10) Failing to sign a bill into law is also known as a/an? 10 _____
- 11) Process for hearing cases from the local level is known as a/an? 11 _____
- 12) People who make laws are in this branch of government? 12 _____
- 13) Any law dealing with money also is dealing with? 13 _____
- 14) Leader of local government at the borough level? 14 _____
- 15) Money collected to pay for government services is known as? 15 _____

Short Answer (5 pts.)

- 4) List at least two (2) roles or tasks leaders at the borough or township level perform? (2 pts.)