

Please complete the following quiz by selecting the most accurate response/answer to the statements and questions below:

- It is _____ duty to understand, teach, and defend America's Constitution and its foundational principles.
A. a lawyer's C. each citizen's
B. a judge's D. all of the above
- The *people* are the only legitimate wellspring of power for government.
A. True B. False
- Popular Sovereignty* as a fundamental principle of self-government is the chief cornerstone and lodestar of all constitutional jurisprudence.
A. True B. False
- Which are reasons *We the People* instituted and empowered government?
A. secure the blessings of liberty
B. provide for the common defense
C. form a more perfect union
D. all of the above
- This principle is generally understood as the division of political power and responsibilities between a centralized national authority and dispersed state or regional ones.
A. dilution C. decentralization
B. federalism D. statism
- In every government there are how many types, or branches, of power?
A. one C. three B. two D. four
- In America, no branch of government can arrogate to itself what power it pleases.
A. True B. False
- Each branch of government under the U.S. Constitution _____ in its power by an internal system of checks and balances.
A. may expand C. is expressly limited
B. is unlimited D. none of the above
- Upon the founding of the U.S. under the U.S. Constitution, the American people formed a _____.
A. pure democracy C. democratic republic
B. confederation D. monarchy
- Federalism is a means to diffuse power and:
A. a principle for elevating and preserving self-government
B. retain power at the federal level
C. control the citizens
D. prevent government corruption
- Who taught that no free government, or the blessing of liberty, can be preserved to any people but by a "*frequent recurrence*" to fundamental principles?
A. George Mason C. John Adams
B. Benjamin Franklin D. all of the above
- The first three principles of the U.S. Constitution highlighted in this article are popular sovereignty, federalism, and separation of powers.
A. True B. False
- Our nation is strengthened and unified when its leaders remember and honor the original covenant to safeguard the individual liberties of all citizens equally at all levels of government.
A. True B. False
- Who said it? "*The accumulation of all powers, the executive, legislative and judiciary, in the same hands, whether of one, a few or many, and whether hereditary, self-appointed, or elective, may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny.*"
A. James Madison C. John Adams
B. George Washington D. George Mason
- The Constitution's elegant system of checks and balances both diffuses power to protect liberty and integrates dispersed powers into a workable government.
A. True B. False
- America's government is *of, by and for* the _____.
A. politicians C. people
B. corporations D. none of these answers
- The government is in violation of the people's granted authority whenever it acts outside of the bounds of the Constitution.
A. True B. False
- Federalism preserves and encourages the voices of both majorities and minorities, regardless of race, religion, or region, and unifies a vast, diverse republic.
A. True B. False
- Separation of powers safeguards liberty by preventing the consolidation of state authority through an elegant system of checks and balances among these parts.
A. True B. False
- Who said it? "*But let there be no change [to the exercise of political power] by usurpation; for through this, in one instance, may be the instrument of good, it is the customary weapon by which free governments are destroyed.*"
A. Barack Obama C. Joe Biden
B. Donald Trump D. George Washington

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