

American Government Blizzard Bag Assignment #1

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A. Directions- Fill in the boxes below by selecting the constitutional principle being referred to in each constitutional description.

Principles of the US Constitution	
Limited Government Federalism	Popular Sovereignty Separation of Powers
Features in the US Constitution	
1. A major concept of the Constitution is that all political power is derived from the people that are governed.	<input type="text"/>
2. Power is divided among the three branches of government- the legislative, executive, and judicial.	<input type="text"/>
3. The US Constitution gave the federal government only those powers which were specifically delegated to it.	<input type="text"/>
4. A system of government was created where power would be divided between the national and state governments.	<input type="text"/>

B. Directions- Check the box to identify whether the Federalists or Anti-Federalists supported (Fed) or opposed (Anti) the item described.

	Federalist	Anti-Federalist
5. The new Constitution does not have a bill of rights.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. A strong govt. is needed to defend against attack.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. A form of currency would strengthen us as a nation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. The "necessary & proper" clause could be a danger to the nation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. Directions- From the choices listed below, select the four ways in which our constitutional government can be changed. Write your answers in the blank boxes below.

Ways that have changed the American Government	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Choices	
Amending Process	Preparing a Budget
Vetoing a Bill	Informal Practices
Declaring War	Coining Money
Supreme Court Decisions	Congressional Legislation

D. Directions- Fill in the boxes below by selecting the amendment that protects an individual from the abuse referred to in the description.

Actions by the Federal Government	
13. A person is brought to trial by the government without a formal charge being voted on by a jury.	<input type="text"/>
14. A person is sentenced to 15 years in prison for speeding on 149 by a Belmont County judge who is known for giving out harsh sentences.	<input type="text"/>
15. A journalist is arrested for writing an article about a government official that is factually correct.	<input type="text"/>
16. American citizens are made to house soldiers in their homes in a cost-cutting executive order by the President.	<input type="text"/>

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E. Directions- Identify
Progressive Movement.

1st Amendment	5th Amendment
3rd Amendment	8th Amendment

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17. People who consume alcoholic beverages	<input type="text"/>
18. American women	<input type="text"/>
19. Wealthy income earners	<input type="text"/>

16th Amendment	17th Amendment
18th Amendment	19th Amendment

F. Directions- Identify which group gained voting rights by each amendment.

20. 15 th Amendment	<input type="text"/>
21. 19 th Amendment	<input type="text"/>
22. 23 rd Amendment	<input type="text"/>
23. 26 th Amendment	<input type="text"/>

18 year olds	African Americans
Women	D.C. Residents

G. Directions- Fill-in boxes below by selecting the appropriate amendment referred to in each description.

Changes from the passage of this amendment	
24. This amendment moved the date of presidential new term from March 4 to January 20.	<input type="checkbox"/>
25. This amendment separated the President and Vice President on the Electoral College ballot.	<input type="checkbox"/>
26. This amendment was put into place in case of the death, removal, or resignation of the President.	<input type="checkbox"/>
27. This amendment gave D.C. residents three electors that allowed them to vote in Presidential elections.	<input type="checkbox"/>

12th Amendment	23rd Amendment
20th Amendment	25th Amendment

H. Directions- Fill in boxes below by selecting the amendment that is being described.

Unique historical circumstances changed by amendment	
28. This amendment stated that any Congressional pay raise would take effect after the term of office ended.	<input type="checkbox"/>
29. This amendment repealed a part of Article III by imposing limits on states being sued by citizens of other states.	<input type="checkbox"/>
30. This amendment repealed the Volstead Act, which banned the sale or distribution of alcohol.	<input type="checkbox"/>

11th Amendment
21st Amendment
27th Amendment

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1. Which President was the youngest to serve?
2. Which President was the youngest elected?
3. Which President was the oldest to serve?
4. Which President was the tallest?
5. Which President was the shortest?
6. Which President was the heaviest?
7. Which President was the only to be married in the White House?
8. Which President was the only bachelor?
9. Which President is the only man to be president and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?
10. Which 2 Presidents died on the same day?
11. Which President was elected, defeated, and re-elected?
12. Which President was the only one nobody voted for?
13. Which 4 Presidents are on Mount Rushmore?
14. Which was the only President to resign?
15. Which 2 Presidents were impeached?
16. Which President served the longest?
17. Which President served the shortest?
18. Which President is the only president to lead troops in actual war?
19. Which President was the first to die in office?
20. Which 4 Presidents were assassinated?