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Civic Challenge

Directions: Test your knowledge of the U.S. Constitution! Read each question carefully and choose the best answer. Write the letter of your choice on the line.

1. ____ What year was the U.S. Constitution signed?
A. 1776 B. 1787 C. 1791 D. 1801
2. ____ Where was the Constitutional Convention held?
A. Boston B. Philadelphia C. New York City D. Washington, D.C.
3. ____ Who is known as the "Father of the Constitution"?
A. George Washington B. Thomas Jefferson C. James Madison
D. Alexander Hamilton
4. ____ How many original states signed the Constitution?
A. 10 B. 12 C. 13 D. 9
5. ____ What are the first ten amendments to the Constitution called?
A. The Great Compromise B. The Bill of Rights C. The Preamble
D. The Federalist Papers
6. ____ Which branch of government makes the laws?
A. Executive B. Judicial C. Legislative D. Federal
7. ____ What famous phrase begins the Preamble?
A. "We hold these truths..." B. "Four score and seven years ago..."
C. "We the People..." D. "In order to form a more perfect union..."
8. ____ Which document did the Constitution replace?
A. The Declaration of Independence B. The Federalist Essays
C. The Mayflower Compact D. The Articles of Confederation
9. ____ Who was president of the Constitutional Convention?
A. George Washington B. John Adams C. James Madison
D. Benjamin Franklin
10. ____ Which amendment gives freedom of speech, press, and religion?
A. First B. Second C. Fifth D. Tenth