

USCIS 100 QUESTIONS by uscitizenpod.com 09/2017		Answers (If there is more than one answer, the first answer or the most common answer is listed below)
AMERICAN GOVERNMENT		
1	What is the supreme law of the land?	the Constitution
2	What does the Constitution do?	sets up the government
3	The idea of self-government is in the first three words of the Constitution. What are these words?	We the People
4	What is an amendment?	a change (to the Constitution)
5	What do we call the first 10 amendments to the Constitution?	the Bill of Rights
6	What is one right or freedom from the First Amendment?*	speech
7	How many amendments does the Constitution have?	twenty-seven (27)
8	What did the Declaration of Independence do?	announced our independence (from Great Britain)
9	What are two rights in the Declaration of Independence?	Life, Liberty
10	What is freedom of religion?	You can practice any religion or not practice a religion
11	What is the economic system in the United States?*	capitalist economy
12	What is the "rule of law"?	Everyone must follow the law.
13	Name one branch or part of the government.*	Congress (Legislative Branch)
14	What stops one branch of gov't from becoming too powerful?	checks and balances
15	Who is in charge of the executive branch?	the President
16	Who makes federal laws?	Congress
17	What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?*	the Senate and House (of Representatives)
18	How many U.S. Senators are there?	one hundred (100)
19	We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?	six (6)
20	Who is one of your state's U.S. Senators now?*	Answers will vary (CA: Kamala Harris)
21	The House of Representatives has how many voting members?	four hundred thirty-five (435)
22	We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?	two (2)
23	Name your U.S. Representative.	Answers will vary (CA-17 SJ / Milpitas: Ro Khanna)
24	Who does a U.S. Senator represent?	all people of the state
25	Why do some states have more Reps than other states?	(because of) the state's population
26	We elect a President for how many years?	four (4)
27	In what month do we vote for President?*	November
28	What is the name of the President of the U.S. now?	(Donald) Trump
29	What is the name of the Vice President of the U.S. now?	(Mike) Pence
30	If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?	the Vice President
31	If both the President and the VP can no longer serve, who becomes President?	the Speaker of the House
32	Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?	the President
33	Who signs bills to become laws?	the President
34	Who vetoes bills?	the President
35	What does the President's Cabinet do?	advises the President
36	What are two Cabinet-level positions?	Secretary of State, Secretary of Labor
37	What does the judicial branch do?	reviews laws
38	What is the highest court in the United States?	the Supreme Court
39	How many justices are on the Supreme Court?	nine (9)
40	Who is the Chief Justice of the United States now?	John Roberts (John G. Roberts, Jr.)
41	Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal gov't. What is one power of the federal government?	to print money
42	Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the states. What is one power of the states?	give a driver's license
43	Who is the Governor of your state now?	Answers will vary (CA: Jerry Brown)
44	What is the capital of your state?*	Answers will vary (CA: Sacramento)
45	What are the two major political parties in the U.S.?*	Democratic and Republican
46	What is the political party of the President now?	Republican (Party)
47	What is the name of the Speaker of the House now?	(Paul) Ryan
48	There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe one of them.	Citizens eighteen (18) and older (can vote).
49	What is one responsibility that is only for U.S. citizens?*	serve on a jury
50	Name one right only for United States citizens.	vote in a federal election

51	What are two rights of everyone living in the United States?	freedom of speech, freedom of assembly
52	What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance?	the United States
53	What is one promise you make when you become a U.S. citizen?	be loyal to the United States
54	How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?*	eighteen (18) and older
55	What are two ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?	Vote; Join a community group
56	When is the last day you can send in fed.income tax forms?*	April 15
57	When must all men register for the Selective Service?	between eighteen (18) and twenty-six (26)
AMERICAN HISTORY		
58	What is one reason colonists came to America?	freedom
59	Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?	American Indians (Native Americans)
60	What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?	people from Africa
61	Why did the colonists fight the British?	because of high taxes (taxation without representation)
62	Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?	(Thomas) Jefferson
63	When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?	July 4, 1776
64	There were 13 original states. Name three.	New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire
65	What happened at the Constitutional Convention?	The Constitution was written.
66	When was the Constitution written?	1787
67	The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution. Name one of the writers.	(James) Madison
68	What is one thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?	U.S. diplomat
69	Who is the Father of Our Country?	(George) Washington
70	Who was the first President?*	(George) Washington
71	What territory did the U.S. buy from France in 1803?	the Louisiana Territory
72	Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s.	Civil War
73	Name the U.S. war between the North and the South.	the Civil War
74	Name one problem that led to the Civil War.	slavery
75	What was one important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?*	freed the slaves (Emancipation Proclamation)
76	What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?	freed the slaves
77	What did Susan B. Anthony do?	fought for women's rights
78	Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.*	World War II
79	Who was President during World War I?	(Woodrow) Wilson
80	Who was President during the Great Depression and World War II?	(Franklin) Roosevelt
81	Who did the United States fight in World War II?	Japan, Germany, and Italy
82	Before he was President, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?	World War II
83	During the Cold War, what was the main concern of the US?	Communism
84	What movement tried to end racial discrimination?	civil rights (movement)
85	What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?*	fought for civil rights
86	What major event happened on Sept. 11, 2001, in the US?	Terrorists attacked the United States.
87	Name one American Indian tribe in the United States.	Cherokee
INTEGRATED CIVICS		
88	Name one of the two longest rivers in the United States.	Mississippi (River)
89	What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States?	Pacific (Ocean)
90	What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?	Atlantic (Ocean)
91	Name one U.S. territory.	Puerto Rico
92	Name one state that borders Canada.	Alaska
93	Name one state that borders Mexico.	California
94	What is the capital of the United States?*	Washington, D.C.
95	Where is the Statue of Liberty?*	New York (Harbor)
96	Why does the flag have 13 stripes?	because there were 13 original colonies
97	Why does the flag have 50 stars?*	because there is one star for each state
98	What is the name of the national anthem?	The Star-Spangled Banner
99	When do we celebrate Independence Day?*	July 4
100	Name two national U.S. holidays.	Independence Day, Thanksgiving