



## NATURALIZATION TEST CIVICS ITEMS COMPARISON

Current 96 Civics Items	Final 100 Revised Civics Items
Q1. What are the colors of the flag?	
Q2. What do the stars on the flag mean?	
Q3. How many stars are there on our flag?	
Q4. What color are the stars on our flag?	
Q5. How many stripes are there on our flag?	
Q6. What do the stripes on the flag represent?	96. Why does the flag have 13 stripes?
Q7. What colors are the stripes on the flag?	
Q8. How many states are there in the Union (the United States)?	
Q9. What do we celebrate on the 4th of July?	
Q10. Independence Day celebrates independence from whom?	
Q11. What country did we fight during the Revolutionary War?	61. Why did the colonists fight the British?
Q12. Who was the first president of the United States?	70. Who was the first President?
Q13. Who is the President of the United States today?	28. What is the name of the President of the United States now?
Q14. Who is the Vice President of the United States today?	29. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?
Q15. Who elects the President of the United States?	
Q16. Who becomes President if the President dies?	30. If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?
Q17. What is the Constitution?	2. What does the Constitution do?
Q18. What do we call changes to the Constitution?	
Q19. How many changes, or amendments, are there to the Constitution?	7. How many amendments does the Constitution have?
Q20. What are the three branches of our government?	13. Name <u>one</u> branch or part of the government.
Q21. What is the legislative branch of our government?	

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Q22. What makes up Congress?	17. What are the <u>two</u> parts of the U.S. Congress?
Q23. Who makes the Federal laws in the United States?	16. Who makes federal laws?
Q24. Who elects Congress?	
Q25. How many Senators are there in Congress?	18. How many U.S. Senators are there?
Q26. For how long do we elect each Senator?	19. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?
Q27. Name two Senators from your state.	20. Who is <u>one</u> of your state's U.S. Senators?
Q28. How many voting members are in the House of Representatives?	21. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?
Q29. For how long do we elect each member of the House of Representatives?	22. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?
Q30. Who is the head of the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government?	15. Who is in charge of the executive branch?
Q31. For how long is the President elected?	26. We elect a President for how many years?
Q32. What is the highest part of the Judiciary Branch of our government?	
Q33. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?	37. What does the judicial branch do?
Q34. What is the supreme law of the United States?	1. What is the supreme law of the land?
Q35. What is the Bill of Rights?	5. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?
Q36. What is the capital of the state you live in?	44. What is the capital of your state?
Q37. Who is the current Governor of the state you live in?	43. Who is the Governor of your state?
Q38. Who becomes President if both the President and Vice President die?	31. If both the President and the Vice President can no longer serve, who becomes President?
Q39. Who is Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?	40. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States?
Q40. What were the original 13 states?	64. There were 13 original states. Name <u>three</u> .
Q41. Who said, "Give me liberty or give me death"?	
Q42. Name some countries that were our enemies during World War II.	81. Who did the United States fight in World War II?
Q43. What was the 49th state added to our Union (the United States)?	
Q44. How many full terms can a President serve?	26. We elect a President for how many years?
Q45. Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.?	85. What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do?
Q46. What are some of the requirements to be eligible to become President?	

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Q47. Why are there 100 Senators in the United States Senate?	
Q48. Who nominates judges for the Supreme Court?	
Q49. How many Supreme Court Justices are there?	39. How many justices are on the Supreme Court?
Q50. Why did the Pilgrims come to America?	58. What is <u>one</u> reason colonists came to America?
Q51. What is the executive of a state government called?	
Q52. What is the head executive of a city government called?	
Q53. What holiday was celebrated for the first time by American colonists?	
Q54. Who was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence?	62. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?
Q55. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?	63. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?
Q56. What are some of the basic beliefs of the Declaration of Independence?	
Q57. What is the national anthem of the United States?	98. What is the name of the national anthem?
Q58. Who wrote The Star-Spangled Banner?	
Q59. What is the minimum voting age in the United States?	54. How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?
Q60. Who signs bills into law?	33. Who signs bills to become laws?
Q61. What is the highest court in the United States?	38. What is the highest court in the United States?
Q62. Who was President during the Civil War?	75. What was <u>one</u> important thing that Abraham Lincoln did?
Q63. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?	76. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?
Q64. What special group advises the President?	35. What does the President's Cabinet do?
Q65. Which President is called the "Father of our Country"?	69. Who is the "Father of Our Country"?
Q66. Which President was the first Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Army and Navy?	
Q67. What was the 50th state to be added to our Union (the United States)?	
Q68. Who helped the Pilgrims in America?	
Q69. What is the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America?	
Q70. What were the 13 original states of the United States called before they were states?	
Q71. What group has the power to declare war?	

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Q72. Name the amendments that guarantee or address voting rights.	48. There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe <u>one</u> of them.
Q73. In what year was the Constitution written?	66. When was the Constitution written?
Q74. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?	5. What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?
Q75. Whose rights are guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights?	51. What are <u>two</u> rights of everyone living in the United States?
Q76. What is the introduction to the Constitution called?	
Q77. Who meets in the U.S. Capitol building?	
Q78. What is the name of the President's official home?	
Q79. Where is the White House located?	
Q80. Name one right or freedom guaranteed by the first amendment.	6. What is <u>one</u> right or freedom from the First Amendment?
Q81. Who is Commander-in-Chief of the United States military?	32. Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?
Q82. In what month do we vote for the President?	27. In what month do we vote for President?
Q83. In what month is the new President inaugurated?	
Q84. How many times may a Senator or Congressman be re-elected?	
Q85. What are the two major political parties in the United States today?	45. What are the <u>two</u> major political parties in the United States?
Q86. What is the executive branch of our government?	
Q87. Where does freedom of speech come from?	
Q88. What U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services form is used to apply for naturalized citizenship?	
Q89. What kind of government does the United States have?	
Q90. Name one of the purposes of the United Nations.	
Q91. Name one benefit of being a citizen of the United States.	50. What are <u>two</u> rights only for United States citizens?
Q92. Can the Constitution be changed?	4. What is an amendment?
Q93. What is the most important right granted to United States citizens?	50. What are <u>two</u> rights only for United States citizens?
Q94. What is the White House?	
Q95. What is the United States Capitol?	
Q96. How many branches are there in the United States government?	13. Name <u>one</u> branch or part of the government. 14. What stops <u>one</u> branch of government from becoming too powerful?

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	3. The idea of self-government is in the first three words of the Constitution. What are these words?
	8. What did the Declaration of Independence do?
	9. What are <u>two</u> rights in the Declaration of Independence?
	10. What is freedom of religion?
	11. What is the economic system in the United States?
	12. What is the “rule of law”?
	25. Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?
	23. Name your U.S. Representative.
	24. Who does a U.S. Senator represent?
	34. Who vetoes bills?
	36. What are <u>two</u> Cabinet-level positions?
	41. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government. What is <u>one</u> power of the federal government?
	42. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the states. What is <u>one</u> power of the states?
	46. What is the political party of the President now?
	47. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now?
	49. What is <u>one</u> responsibility that is only for United States citizens?
	52. What do we show loyalty to when we say the Pledge of Allegiance?
	53. What is <u>one</u> promise you make when you become a United States citizen?
	55. What are <u>two</u> ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?
	56. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax forms?
	57. When must all men register for the Selective Service?
	59. Who lived in America before the Europeans arrived?
	60. What group of people was taken to America and sold as slaves?
	65. What happened at the Constitutional Convention?
	67. The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution. Name <u>one</u> of the writers.

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	68. What is <u>one</u> thing Benjamin Franklin is famous for?
	71. What territory did the United States buy from France in 1803?
	72. Name <u>one</u> war fought by the United States in the 1800s.
	73. Name the U.S. war between the North and the South.
	74. Name <u>one</u> problem that led to the Civil War.
	77. What did Susan B. Anthony do?
	78. Name <u>one</u> war fought by the United States in the 1900s.
	79. Who was President during World War I?
	80. Who was President during the Great Depression and World War II?
	82. Before he was President, Eisenhower was a general. What war was he in?
	83. During the Cold War, what was the main concern of the United States?
	84. What movement tried to end racial discrimination?
	86. What major event happened on September 11, 2001 in the United States?
	87. Name <u>one</u> American Indian tribe in the United States.
	88. Name <u>one</u> of the two longest rivers in the United States.
	89. What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States?
	90. What ocean is on the East Coast of the United States?
	91. Name <u>one</u> U.S. territory.
	92. Name <u>one</u> state that borders Canada.
	93. Name <u>one</u> state that borders Mexico.
	94. What is the capital of the United States?
	95. Where is the Statue of Liberty?
	97. Why does the flag have 50 stars?
	99. When do we celebrate Independence Day?
	100. Name <u>two</u> national U.S. holidays.