**Final Exam (Benchmark #2)**

**Study Guide**

**1. What part of the Constitution lays out the five things that the Framers of the Constitution believed would be the responsibility of the new democratic government?**

LOCATE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: What was the purpose of the Constitution (in other words, why did the Framers of the Constitution write the Constitution?) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: What was one of the main values of the Framers of the Constitution? Explain how you know, using text evidence from the Preamble of the Constitution:

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APPLY: After which major event did the Framers write the Constitution?

1. The Civil War
2. The French and Indian War
3. The Revolutionary War
4. The Great Depression

**2. Locate an example of checks and balances in the Constitution.**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: In your own words, explain your example of checks and balances (your explanation should include the *names of at least two branches* of government). \_\_\_\_\_\_

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**3. Where is the House of Representatives described in the Constitution?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: How often do American citizens elect their representatives for the U.S. House of Representatives? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: How do we determine the number of Representatives that each state gets? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: What is the name of your U.S. Congressional Representative? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Where is the three-fifths compromise discussed in the Constitution?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: When the Constitution was being written, what type of states wanted slaves to count towards the population? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What type of states did *not* want slaves to count towards the population? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**5. Where does the Constitution describe how the Senate should be set up?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: How do we determine how many Senators each state gets in the U.S. Senate? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

When the Constitution was being written, which plan (the New Jersey Plan or the Virginia Plan) supported the idea of ***equal*** representation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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APPLY: What are the names of your two U.S. Senators? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**6. Where in the Constitution does it describe the process for creating laws?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: If the President vetoes a law, what happens next? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Where in the Constitution does it describe the electoral college?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: How do we determine how many electors each state gets? (What two things do we add together?) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: Which of the following is NOT a reason that we use the electoral college today?

1. Because it helps balance power between states with large and small populations
2. Because it ensures that whichever candidate wins the popular vote ends up winning the

election

1. Because it makes it very likely that the winning candidate has support from a majority of

voters

**8. Where in the Constitution does it give the President the power to pardon someone of a crime?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: Check off the things the President IS allowed to do, according to the Constitution:

\_\_\_\_\_ Declare war \_\_\_\_\_ Make treaties with Senate approval

\_\_\_\_\_ Create Laws \_\_\_\_\_ Appoint Supreme Court Justices

\_\_\_\_\_ Carry out laws \_\_\_\_\_ Appoint Ambassadors

\_\_\_\_\_ Interpret Laws \_\_\_\_\_ Suggest Laws to Congress

**9. If the *President* has committed a crime, how can the American people hold him/her accountable for his/her actions?**

APPLY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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LOCATE: Where is this process discussed in the Constitution? Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**10. Where in the Constitution does it explain how long Supreme Court Justices can serve on the Supreme Court?**

LOCATE: Article \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: How long can they serve? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**11. Treason was the only crime mentioned in Article 3 of the Constitution. What section of Article 3 discusses treason?**

LOCATE: Article 3, Section \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: Why were the Founding Fathers so fearful of treason (what had happened in their recent past)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**12. Which amendment in the Bill of Rights do you think plays the most important role in your life, and why?**

Amendment # \_\_\_\_\_\_

Why: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLY: Which group, the Federalists or Anti-Federalists demanded that the Bill of Rights be included in the Constitution before they would sign it, and WHY? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**13. Savana Redding was a teen who was strip searched by her school nurse, after rumors accused Redding of handing out medicine in school. Which amendment did Redding believe the school violated?**

Amendment # \_\_\_\_\_\_

**14. The Emancipation Proclamation freed slaves in the South during the Civil War, but it wasn’t until this amendment was passed that slavery became illegal throughout the United States:**

Amendment # \_\_\_\_\_\_

**15. Choose one amendment that demonstrates why we call the Constitution a “living document.”**

Amendment # \_\_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, this amendment means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This amendment demonstrates why we call the Constitution a “living document” because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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