

Mountain Green Elementary School
5th Grade
Great American Award

The Great American Award is not given to students, rather, it is earned by students; and is optional. The requirements are:

1. Match the 50 states with their capitals.
 2. Identify the 50 states on a map.
 3. Recite from memory the Gettysburg Address.
 4. Recite from memory, in order of Presidency, the Presidents of the United States, first and last names.
 5. Write the Pledge of Allegiance from memory. All spelling and punctuation must be correct and cursive handwriting is required.
 6. Sing or recite from memory the first verse of The Star Spangled Banner.
 7. Recite from memory the Preamble of the United States Constitution.
 8. Correctly answer the questions on the Citizenship Test.
- These requirements must be passed of at school by a teacher, they cannot be passed off at home.
 - All items must be passed off by the beginning of May in order to become a Great American. The award will be presented at the end of year fifth grade awards assembly.

Good Luck!

The Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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The Star Spangled Banner

By: Francis Scott Key

“O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,

What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming,

Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight

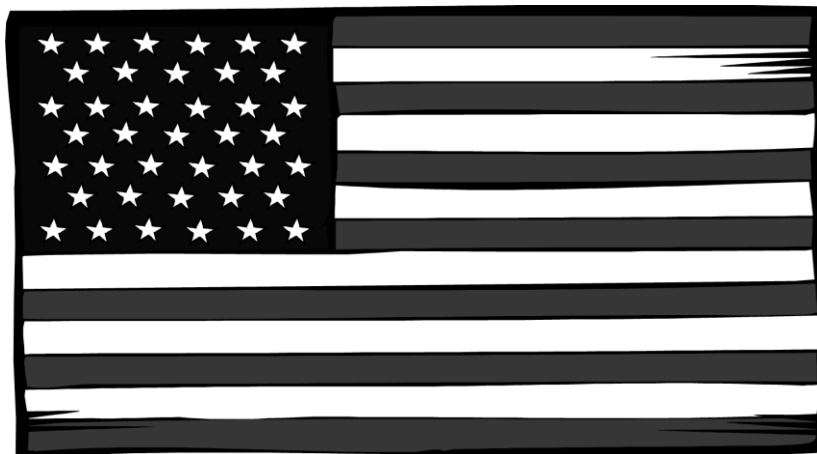
O’er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?

And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,

O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?”



Preamble of the United States Constitution

“We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”



The Gettysburg Address

Delivered by President Abraham Lincoln

November 19, 1863

“Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth, on this continent, a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived, and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives, that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow, this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced.

It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.”

Vocabulary

score: time twenty

fathers: forefathers or ancestors

conceived: formed

proposition: intention or plan

consecrate: set apart as holy

hallow: consider holy

detract: take away



The Presidents of the United States

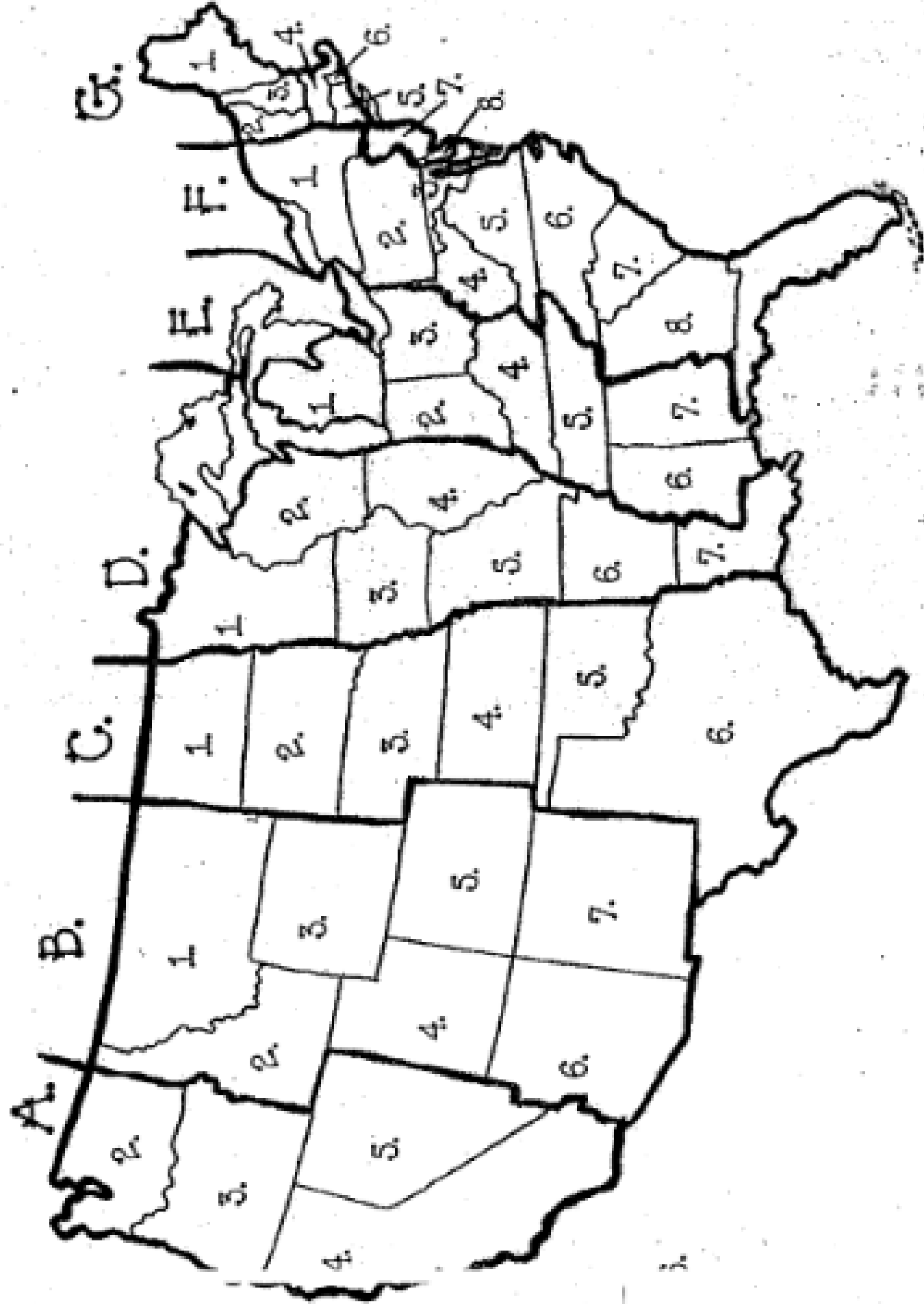
1. George Washington
2. John Adams
3. Thomas Jefferson
4. James Madison
5. James Monroe
6. John Quincy Adams
7. Andrew Jackson
8. Martin Van Buren
9. William Henry Harrison
10. John Tyler
11. James K. Polk
12. Zachary Taylor
13. Millard Fillmore
14. Franklin Pierce
15. James Buchanan
16. Abraham Lincoln
17. Andrew Johnson
18. Ulysses S. Grant
19. Rutherford B. Hayes
20. James Garfield
21. Chester A. Arthur
22. Grover Cleveland
23. Benjamin Harrison
24. Grover Cleveland
25. William McKinley
26. Theodore Roosevelt
27. William Howard Taft
28. Woodrow Wilson
29. Warren G. Harding
30. Calvin Coolidge
31. Herbert Hoover
32. Franklin D. Roosevelt
33. Harry S. Truman
34. Dwight D. Eisenhower
35. John F. Kennedy
36. Lyndon B. Johnson
37. Richard M. Nixon
38. Gerald R. Ford
39. James (Jimmy) Carter
40. Ronald Reagan
41. George H. W. Bush
42. William (Bill) Clinton
43. George W. Bush
44. Barack Obama



The 50 States and their Capitals

1. Montgomery, Alabama
2. Juneau, Alaska
3. Phoenix, Arizona
4. Little Rock, Arkansas
5. Sacramento, California
6. Denver, Colorado
7. Hartford, Connecticut
8. Dover, Delaware
9. Tallahassee, Florida
10. Atlanta, Georgia
11. Honolulu, Hawaii
12. Boise, Idaho
13. Springfield, Illinois
14. Indianapolis, Indiana
15. Des Moines, Iowa
16. Topeka, Kansas
17. Frankfort, Kentucky
18. Baton Rouge, Louisiana
19. Augusta, Maine
20. Annapolis, Maryland
21. Boston, Massachusetts
22. Lansing, Michigan
23. Saint Paul, Minnesota
24. Jackson, Mississippi
25. Jefferson City, Missouri
26. Helena, Montana
27. Lincoln, Nebraska
28. Carson City, Nevada
29. Concord, New Hampshire
30. Trenton, New Jersey
31. Santa Fe, New Mexico
32. Albany, New York
33. Raleigh, North Carolina
34. Bismarck, North Dakota
35. Columbus, Ohio
36. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
37. Salem, Oregon
38. Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
39. Providence, Rhode Island
40. Columbia, South Carolina
41. Pierre, South Dakota
42. Nashville, Tennessee
43. Austin, Texas
44. Salt Lake City, Utah
45. Montpelier, Vermont
46. Richmond, Virginia
47. Olympia, Washington
48. Charleston, West Virginia
49. Madison, Wisconsin
50. Cheyenne, Wyoming





State-Capital

- A.
1. Alaska-Juneau
 2. Washington-Olympia
 3. Oregon-Salem
 4. California-Sacramento
 5. Nevada-Carson City
 6. Hawaii-Honolulu
- B.
1. Montana-Helena
 2. Idaho-Boise
 3. Wyoming-Cheyenne
 4. Utah-Salt Lake City
 5. Colorado-Denver
 6. Arizona-Phoenix
 7. New Mexico-Santa Fe
- C.
1. North Dakota-Bismark
 2. South Dakota-Pierre
 3. Nebraska-Lincoln
 4. Kansas-Topeka
 5. Oklahoma-Oklahoma City
 6. Texas-Austin
- D.
1. Minnesota-St. Paul
 2. Wisconsin-Madison
 3. Iowa-Des Moines
 4. Illinois-Springfield
 5. Missouri-Jefferson City
 6. Arkansas-Little Rock
 7. Louisiana-Baton Rouge
- E.
1. Michigan-Lansing
 2. Indiana-Indianapolis
 3. Ohio-Columbus
 4. Kentucky-Frankfort
 5. Tennessee-Nashville
 6. Mississippi-Jackson
 7. Alabama-Montgomery
- F.
1. New York-Albany
 2. Pennsylvania-Harrisburg
 3. Maryland-Annapolis
 4. West Virginia-Charleston
 5. Virginia-Richmond
 6. North Carolina-Raleigh
 7. South Carolina-Columbia
 8. Georgia-Atlanta
 9. Florida-Tallahassee
- G.
1. Maine-Augusta
 2. Vermont-Montpelier
 3. New Hampshire-Concord
 4. Massachusetts-Boston
 5. Connecticut-Hartford
 6. Rhode Island-Providence
 7. New Jersey-Trenton
 8. Delaware-Dover

Name _____

United States Citizenship Test

Approximately 600,000 immigrants seek naturalization each year. They must have a basic understanding of U.S. history and government. The following list of questions is a sample of what the U.S. government believes is important for U.S. citizens to know.

1. How many voting members are in the House of Representatives?

2. Who becomes President if both the President and Vice President die?

3. Who said, "Give me liberty or give me death?"

4. What was the 49th state added to our Union?

5. What are some of the basic beliefs of the Declaration of Independence?

6. What special group advises the President?

7. Name the three amendments that guarantee or address voting rights.

8. Who elects the President of the United States?

9. What kind of government does the United States have?

10. Who has the power to declare war?

11. How many amendments are there to the Constitution?

12. Can you name the thirteen original states?

13. According to the Constitution, a person must meet certain requirements to be President. What are those requirements?

14. Can the Constitution be changed?

15. Name the two Senators from Utah.

16. For how long do we elect each Senator?

17. For how long do we elect each representative?

18. For how long do we elect the President?

19. How many branches are there in our government?

20. Which President was the first commander in chief of the U.S. military?

21. Name one purpose of the United Nations.

22. How many Senators are there in Congress?

23. In what month do we vote for the President?

24. Name one benefit of being a citizen of the United States.

25. What are the colors of the flag?

26. From what country did the colonists declare independence?

27. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?

28. What are the duties of Congress?

29. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?

30. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?

31. What are the three branches of our government?

32. What are the two major political parties in the United States today?

33. What color are the stars on our flag?

34. What color are the stripes on our flag?

35. What do the stars on the flag mean?

36. What do the stripes on the flag mean?

37. What do we call a change to the Constitution?

38. What is Congress?

39. Who becomes President if the President dies?

40. What is the 4th of July?

41. What is the 50th state of the Union?

42. What is the Bill of Rights?

43. Which amendment sets the terms of service for the President, Vice President and Congress?

44. What is the Constitution?

45. What is the date of Independence Day?

46. What is the executive branch of our government?

47. What is the head executive of a city government called?

48. What is the head executive of a state government called?

49. What is the highest court in the United States?

50. What is the introduction to the Constitution called?

51. What is the judicial branch of our government?

52. What is the legislative branch of our government?

53. How many stars are there in our flag?

54. How many states are there in the Union?

55. In what month is the new President inaugurated?

56. How many stripes are there in the flag?

57. How many Supreme Court Justices are there?

58. How many terms can a President serve?

59. How many times may a Representative be reelected?

60. How many times may a Senator be reelected?

61. In what year was the Constitution written?

62. What is the minimum voting age in the United States?

63. What is the name of the President's official home?

64. What is the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America?

65. Name one right guaranteed by the First Amendment.

66. What is the National Anthem of the United States?

67. What is the supreme law of the United States?

68. Name three rights or freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

69. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?

70. Where does Congress meet?

71. Where does freedom of speech come from?

72. Where is the White House located?