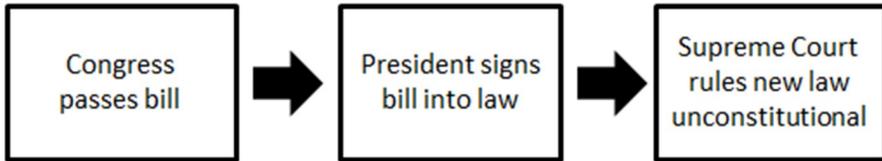


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1. What principle of US government is illustrated in the diagram below?



- A. Limited government
- B. Popular sovereignty
- C. Checks and balances
- D. Federalism

3. The quote below from Patrick Henry addresses what principle of the US Constitution?

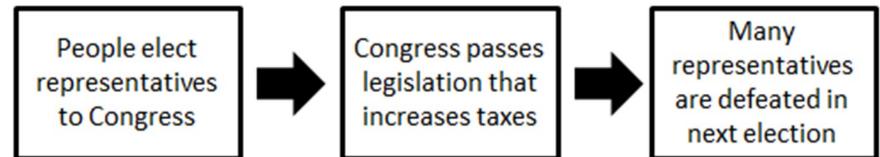
"Show me that age and country where the rights and liberties of the people were placed on the sole chance of their rulers being good men, without a consequent loss of liberty?"
- Patrick Henry, 1788

- A. Individual rights
- B. Checks and balances
- C. Judicial review
- D. Separation of powers

2. Which of the following is not an example of the principle of limited government defined in the US Constitution?

- F. Each state establishes its own system of public education.
- G. Congress passes a resolution to declare war.
- H. The Supreme Court upholds recent legislation passed by Congress.
- J. The President signs an executive order to increase taxes.

4. What principle of US government is illustrated in the diagram below?



- F. Unalienable rights
- G. Republicanism
- H. Judicial review
- J. Federalism

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5. What principle of the US Constitution is illustrated in the political cartoon below?

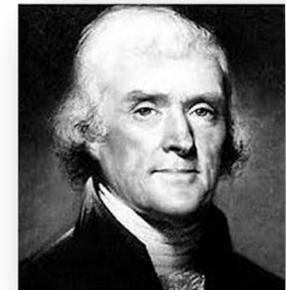


- A. Limited government
- B. Popular sovereignty
- C. Checks and balances
- D. Federalism

6. Suppose Congress wants to amend the Constitution. If 60% of both houses have voted in favor of the proposed legislation, can the amendment be passed into law and why?

- F. Yes, but only if it is signed by the President.
- G. Yes, no other action is required and the amendment passes.
- H. No, two-thirds of both houses did not vote in favor of the amendment.
- J. No, the Supreme Court has not reviewed the amendment.

7. When writing the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson referred to the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness as:



- A. expendable
- B. unalienable
- C. given by government
- D. uncommon

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8. During the Constitutional Convention in 1787, James Madison said that federal courts could declare a law void if the law violates the “constitution established by the people themselves.” Madison was advocating what principle to be included in the US Constitution?

- F. Individual rights
- G. Checks and balances
- H. Judicial review
- J. Separation of powers

10. The following image of a protester is appealing to what right?



- F. Unalienable rights in the Declaration of Independence
- G. First Amendment of the Bill of Rights
- H. Second Amendment of the Bill of Rights
- J. Individual rights provided by state governments

9. All of the following rights are guaranteed in the Bill of Rights except:

- A. The right to property ownership
- B. The right to own a gun
- C. The right to due process
- D. The right to religious freedom

11. What action would be protected by the First Amendment?

- A. A business owner refuses to allow his personal property to be used by the military for training and housing.
- B. A family may choose to attend worship service at a newly founded church in the community.
- C. An accused man seeks advice from his attorney before being questioned by the police.
- D. A woman wants to purchase a firearm and keep it in her house for security.

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<p>A. Bill of Rights B. Checks and Balances C. Eighth Amendment D. Fifth Amendment E. First Amendment F. Fourth Amendment G. Judicial Review H. Ninth Amendment I. Popular Sovereignty J. Process for Amendment K. Republicanism L. Second Amendment M. Separation of Powers N. Seventh Amendment O. Sixth Amendment P. Tenth Amendment Q. Third Amendment R. Unalienable Rights</p>	<p>1. _____ Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness 2. _____ Right that protects freedom of personal expression 3. _____ Each branch of government has the power to control the other two 4. _____ Authority to govern must be given by the people 5. _____ Citizens elect representatives to make and enforce laws 6. _____ Right that protects owning a firearm 7. _____ Right that gives authority to the individual states if not addressed in the Constitution 8. _____ Government operating in three distinct branches 9. _____ Individual rights listed in the Constitution that are the result of colonial grievances 10. _____ Right that protects you from cruel or unusual punishment</p>	<p>11. _____ Right to a jury in a civil case 12. _____ Right to other rights not necessarily listed in the Constitution 13. _____ Right to refuse your home from being used for military purposes 14. _____ Requires 2/3 vote of both houses and majority vote in 3/4 of states 15. _____ Right to a timely and public trial 16. _____ Protection from unreasonable searches and seizures of personal property 17. _____ All legislative and executive actions are subject to possible examination in court 18. _____ Right to refuse testimony against yourself</p>
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