

**\*\*\*THIS IS DUE IN FULL YOUR SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL, AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017!!!\*\*\***  
**Completion of this packet will count as a get out a reading quiz with a free 100% 1 time this quarter.**

### **Summer Assignment Part ONE – Constitution Scavenger Hunt**

**DIRECTIONS:** Using a copy of the FULL US Constitution, complete the following scavenger hunt. You can easily locate the Constitution on the internet, or use a copy from a textbook if you have one. You may answer on this sheet or on separate paper. Your answers **MUST BE HAND WRITTEN!!!!**

Article I - \_\_\_\_\_ Branch

#### Section 1

1. Why do YOU think the Legislative Branch is the first defined in the Constitution? What does this reveal about the intentions of the founding fathers? (use background knowledge/research this answer)
2. What is the difference between an “enumerated” power and an “implied” power? (research this\_

#### Section 2- The \_\_\_\_\_

3. How often are representatives elected to the House?
4. What are the three requirements listed for House members?
5. The House has the sole power to \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Who is the presiding officer of the House?

#### Section 3 – The \_\_\_\_\_

7. How long is the term for a Senator?
8. How many Senators does each state get? Why did this make small states happy?
9. How were Senators originally chosen? Which amendment changes this?
10. What does the Constitution mean by “three Classes” and how does this impact the election cycle of Senators?
11. What are the three requirements listed for members of the Senate?
12. Who is the president of the Senate and when may that person vote?
13. What role does the Senate play in the impeachment process? Who officiates the process if it is the President being impeached?
14. What is the only penalty that can be imposed on someone who is impeached?
15. Sections 4-7 (provide a brief summary of what each of these sections does)
15. Who decides the times, places, and manner for holding elections for Congress?
16. According to Section 5, each House is the judge of the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of its own members.

17. According to Section 5, Congress is authorized to do what in regards to its own internal elections, rules, and decorum?
18. According to Section 6, Which Amendment currently governs the procedures for compensation of members of Congress? What is the current salary for each house? (look up on the internet)
19. According to Section 6, Congressmen are protected from arrest while in session, except under which three conditions?
20. According to Section 7, in what federal body do all bills concerning taxes/revenue originate?
21. What fractions of both houses must vote to override a presidential veto?
22. What happens when a president does not return a bill in 10 days and what is the exception to that rule?
23. In Section 8, the Constitution lists or “enumerates” the powers of Congress. List at least 6 of them.
24. In section 9, clause 2-3, there are three limitations on the power of Congress to deny people rights. What are those three limitations? What are the definitions of these words? (look up in book if necessary)
25. What is the “*Write of Habeas Corpus*” and when may it be suspended?
26. What is a Bill of Attainder? An “*Ex post facto*” Law and what is its purpose?
27. What are the two “fundamental purposes” of clause seven?
28. Name three limits on the power of states from section 10.

Article II \_\_\_\_\_ Branch

29. What are the requirements to be president? (and VP)
30. What is the Electoral College and what is its purpose?
31. How are the number of electors each state gets determined?
32. What is the oath that the President must say upon entering the position? (write it all out!) What’s the requirement with the phrase “so help me God?”
33. Name 3 powers specific to the President
34. Name the body of Congress that must approve a treaty that the President has negotiated and the fraction of the vote that they must approve it by
35. Which body of Congress approves presidential nominations, in other words, “advises and consents?”

36. What must the president do “from time to time” and what is this called today?

37. What can a President or other executive officers be impeached for?

Article III - \_\_\_\_\_ Branch

38. What is the term of office for Supreme Court Justices? When can they be removed? (look up on internet)

39. In what types of cases does the Supreme Court have “original jurisdiction?”

40. What types of cases involving state relations does the Supreme Court have authority over? (list these

41. What is the only crime specifically mentioned in the Constitution?

42. What must be necessary for the Supreme Court to convict someone of treason?

Article IV

43. What is the topic of Article IV?

44. What is the “full faith and credit” clause?

45. What does the Constitution say about how one state must regard the laws of other states?

46. What is meant by Privileges and Immunities and how does that impact state to state relations?

47. What limitation is put on admitting new states to the Union?

Article V

48. What is the topic of Article V?

49. What fraction of the houses of Congress is necessary to approve a proposed Amendment?

50. What fraction of states must approve a proposed amendment for it to be ratified?

51. What fraction of the states can ask for a convention to propose new amendments?

52. What is the only limitation in the Constitution as to what can be the basis of an Amendment?

53. How many amendments total have been added to the Constitution since 1789?

Article VI

54. What does the Constitution say about which law shall predominate if there is any conflict between laws?

55. What is the “supremacy clause” ?

56. What qualification for holding public office is forbidden?

Article VII

57. How many states had to ratify the Constitution for it to become law?

## Summer Assignment Part TWO – Constitutional Amendment Scavenger Hunt

**Directions:** Using a copy of the FULL US Constitution, complete the following scavenger hunt. You can easily locate the Constitution on the internet, or use a copy from a textbook if you have one. You may answer on this sheet or on separate paper. Your answers **MUST BE HAND WRITTEN!!!!**

1. How many times has the Constitution been amended?
2. When were the first ten amendments to the Constitution passed, and when were they ratified?
3. What are the five basic civil rights guaranteed in the First Amendment?
4. What does Amendment II address?
5. What does Amendment III outlaw?
6. What does Amendment IV protect citizens against? When may warrants be issued?
7. When can government take private property and which Amendment established this?
8. Which phrase is repeated in both the V and the XIV Amendments? Explain what this phrase means.
9. What does “pleading the Fifth” mean?
10. What is double jeopardy and which amendment prohibits this?
11. What are the rights guaranteed under the Sixth Amendment?
12. What was the amount listed in the Constitution that protected the right to trial by jury in Amendment VII? What is the current amount today?
13. What two fundamental rules have been provided in the Eighth Amendment’s “excessive bail” clause?
14. Put the NINTH Amendment in your own words

15. Put the TENTH Amendment in your own words
16. What are the conditions for when a citizen can bring suit against state officials according to the eleventh Amendment?
17. How did Amendment XII help “institutionalize” the two-party system in the United States?
18. What did Amendment XIII “end?”
19. Which amendment defined citizenship? Why do some scholars feel this is the most important of the amendments?
20. What may not be “denied” as a result of Amendment XV? Has this amendment been consistently followed? What other piece of legislation resulted in the full implementation of this amendment?
21. What does Amendment XVI allow Congress to do?
22. How does Amendment XVII change the rules for the election of Senators? What did this amendment repeal?
23. Which Amendment prohibited alcohol? What was the “rationale” behind this amendment? Which Amendment repealed its prohibitions?
24. Women got the right to vote with the passage of Amendment \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.
25. On what day does the Constitution state that a new president shall be inaugurated? Which amendment establishes this? When must Congress meet?
26. Which Amendment established that a person could only be president for two terms?
27. Which Amendment gave citizens the right to vote at 18, and what was the rationale behind this?
28. List and Briefly explain all Amendments that have to do with voting rights/regulations.
29. List and briefly explain all the Amendments that have to do with the Presidency.