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# US Citizen's Test

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Estimated play time: Varies

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad.

Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

Becoming a citizen of the United States often takes a long time. As part of the process, people who apply for citizenship are given a test to demonstrate their “knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of the history, and of the principles and form of government of the United States.” Applicants are asked ten questions, and they must get six of them correct to qualify for citizenship.

This is the last of four quizzes we’ve posted containing ten questions taken directly from the US citizenship test. How have you done with the previous three quizzes? *Newsweek* magazine gave these tests to 1,000 American citizens, and only 62% of them passed. Maybe you’ll do better!

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Show the first image. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a player/team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year’s blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the others may ‘buzz’ in and answer.
4. Keep score (10 points for each answer) after each question is answered correctly. Play until all questions have been asked and answered.

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1. How many amendments does the Constitution have?
2. What does "freedom of religion" mean?
3. Whom does a US Senator represent?
4. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States now?
5. Under our Constitution, some powers are exclusive to the federal government. Can you name two of the four such powers cited in the Constitution?
6. What is the name of the current Speaker of the House of Representatives?
7. What is one responsibility (of two) that is granted only to United States citizens?
8. What large expanse of land did the United States buy from France in 1803?
9. What was Susan B. Anthony's main cause?
10. Name three Native American tribes in the United States.

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## ANSWERS

1. Twenty-seven
2. Citizens can practice any religion, or no religion at all.
3. All the people of the state in which he/she was elected
4. Chief Justice John Roberts
5. To print money, to declare war, to create an army, to make treaties
6. Kevin McCarthy
7. To vote in a federal election and to serve on a jury
8. The Louisiana Territory, which stretched from the Gulf of Mexico to the Montana/Canada border
9. Susan B. Anthony fought for women's rights (civil rights).
10. *Note: The following answers are the ones provided by the US Citizen's test, and they represent some of the largest Native tribes. However, there are many other Native American tribes.*

Apache, Arawak, Blackfeet, Cherokee, Cheyenne, Chippewa, Choctaw, Creek, Crow, Hopi, Huron, Inuit, Iroquois, Lakota, Mohegan, Navajo, Oneida, Pueblo, Shawnee, Sioux, Seminole, Teton