

## The Organization of Congress

### Multiple Choice

Identify the letter of the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The United States Congress, which is made up of two houses, is a
  - a. constitutional legislature.
  - b. bi-session legislature.
  - c. extradition laws.
  - d. bicameral legislature.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. This is NOT a qualification for election to the Senate.
  - a. at least 30 years old
  - b. legal resident of state of election
  - c. married for 5 years
  - d. a citizen for 9 years
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. In Congress the majority and minority leaders are assisted by
  - a. whips.
  - b. the vice president.
  - c. the Speaker.
  - d. the president.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The standing committees of each house are controlled by
  - a. the minority party.
  - b. the minority leader.
  - c. the majority leader.
  - d. the majority party.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. This group specializes in a subcategory of its standing committee's responsibility.
  - a. subcommittee
  - b. conference committee
  - c. select committee
  - d. joint committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. This is NOT a qualification for election to the House of Representatives.
  - a. at least 25 years old
  - b. a degree in law
  - c. a citizen for 7 years
  - d. legal resident of state of election
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The process of setting up new congressional districts after reapportionment is called
  - a. redistricting.
  - b. gerrymandering.
  - c. bicameral legislature.
  - d. censuring.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The presiding officer of the House of Representatives is the
  - a. vice president.
  - b. majority whip.
  - c. majority leader.
  - d. Speaker.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The president of the Senate is the
  - a. majority leader.
  - b. minority leader.
  - c. vice president.
  - d. Speaker.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. The power to write the rules in Congress is controlled by the
  - a. vice president.
  - b. minority party.
  - c. majority party.
  - d. Speaker.

### Matching

Match each item with the correct statement below.

- a. census
  - b. to make laws
  - c. 2 years
  - d. seniority system
  - e. gerrymander
  - f. 6 years
  - g. Rules Committee
  - h. term of each Congress
  - i. as a bill
  - j. PACs
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. two sessions
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 12. population count

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- \_\_\_ 13. favors one group
- \_\_\_ 14. provide campaign funds
- \_\_\_ 15. main task of Congress
- \_\_\_ 16. House "traffic officer"
- \_\_\_ 17. provides leadership of a committee
- \_\_\_ 18. Representative's term
- \_\_\_ 19. Senator's term
- \_\_\_ 20. the way every law starts

*Match each item with the correct statement below.*

- a. President of the Senate
- b. Majority Leader of the Senate
- c. President Pro Tempore of the Senate
- d. Speaker of the House
- e. Minority Leader in the House

- \_\_\_ 21. Nancy Pelosi
- \_\_\_ 22. John Boehner
- \_\_\_ 23. Harry Reid
- \_\_\_ 24. Dick Cheney
- \_\_\_ 25. Robert Byrd

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

1. D
2. C
3. A
4. D
5. A
6. B
7. A
8. D
9. C
10. C

**MATCHING**

11. H
12. A
13. E
14. J
15. B
16. G
17. D
18. C
19. F
20. I
  
21. D
22. E
23. B
24. A
25. C