

FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO POSTS
IN BPS-17 UNDER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, 2001.

HISTORY OF THE U.S.A.

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 100

NOTE: Attempt FIVE questions in all, including question No.8 which is COMPULSORY. All questions carry EQUAL marks.

1. The American Constitution is a system of "Checks and balances". Discuss.
2. Thomas Jefferson described his election to the American Presidency in 1800 as "the Second American Revolution". Was the claim justified? Support your answer with evidence.
3. Critically examine the significance of the issue of Slavery in American history.
4. Discuss the progress of the Progressive Movement in the United States between 1900-1916.
5. Evaluate the Presidency of the Abraham Lincoln.
6. Evaluate briefly America's political and military involvement in Iraq since Iran - Iraq War.
7. Write short notes on any TWO of the following:-
 - (a) Impact of the tragic terrorist attack on September 11, 2001 on World Trade Centre.
 - (b) Watergate Scandle. (b) Woodrow Wilson. (c) Monroe Doctrine.

COMPULSORY QUESTION

8. Write only the correct answer in the Answer Book. Don't reproduce the questions.
 - (1) The total number of the British Colonies founded in Colonial America were:
(a) Thirteen (b) Fifteen (c) Twenty (d) None of these.
 - (2) The "Sons of Liberty" was formed in:
(a) 1765 (b) 1767 (c) 1776 (d) None of these
 - (3) The Peace Treaty of American Independence in 1783 was signed in the city of:
(a) Philadelphia (b) London (c) Paris (d) None of these.
 - (4) Which one of these enjoys the title of "Father of American Constitution":
(a) Jefferson (b) Washington (c) Madison (d) None of these.
 - (5) The first Ten Amendments to the Constitution of US ratified in 1791 are known as:
(a) Bill of Constitution (b) Bill of Rights
(c) Bill of Justice (d) None of these

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- (6) The first Secretary of State of US was:
(a) Hamilton (b) Jefferson (c) John Adams (d) None of these.
- (7) The Great Depression of 1929 lasted for:
(a) Three years (b) Four years (c) a decade (d) None of these.
- (8) The XYZ affairs took place between:
(a) US-England (b) US-Russia (c) US-France (d) None of these.
- (9) Cornwallis surrendered to the American and French troops at:
(a) Yorktown (b) Gettysburg (c) Saratoga (d) None of these.
- (10) The battle of Bull Run was fought in:
(a) The American War of independence (b) The American Civil War
(c) The US-Spanish War (d) None of these
- (11) Panama Canal was officially opened in the year:
(a) 1812 (b) 1906 (c) 1914 (d) None of these
- (12) On August 26, 1920 the 19th Amendment to US Constitution gave voting right to:
(a) Women (b) Negroes
(c) Indians (d) None of these
- (13) NATO was established in the year:
(a) 1949 (b) 1952 (c) 1953 (d) None of these
- (14) In 1900 the Open Door Policy was adopted with respect to:
(a) Japan (b) South America (c) China
(d) None of these
- (15) The book "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was written by:
(a) Monica Lewinsky (b) Paula Jones
(c) Harriet Beacher (d) None of these
- (16) The Truman Doctrine was mainly designed to extend economic assistance to:
(a) Turkey-Iraq (b) Turkey-Egypt
(c) Turkey-Greece (d) None of these
- (17) The 26th Amendment in 1971 lowered the voting age to:
(a) 18 (b) 19 (c) 21 (d) None of these
- (18) The term "Big Stick Diplomacy" is associated with President:
(a) T. Roosevelt (b) Carter (c) Reagan
(d) None of these
- (19) During the American Civil War, the President of Confederacy was:
(a) Jefferson Davis (b) Abraham Lincoln
(c) Johnson (d) None of these
- (20) Judges of the American Supreme Court are appointed by:
(a) President (b) Senate (c) Congress
(d) None of these
