

I COUNT: TEXAS AND THE CENSUS

EXAMPLE QUIZ QUESTIONS

- 1. What was the Original document that organized the United States Government called?
 - A. The United States Constitution
 - B. The United States Census
 - C. The Articles of Confederation
 - D. The Federalist Papers
- 2. When is Census Day in 2020?
 - A. March 1, 2020
 - B. April 1, 2020
 - C. May 1, 2020
 - D. May 1, 2020
- 3. Which of the following is a purpose of the census?
 - A. Determining the number of Representatives in Congress
 - B. Distributing federal funds
 - C. Determining the number of Presidential Electoral Votes
 - D. All of the Above
- 4. The United States Census was written into the Constitution in what year?
 - A. 1776
 - B. 1781
 - C. 1787
 - D. 1790
- 5. Which chamber of the U.S. Congress is apportioned based on the Census?
 - A. U.S. House of Representatives
 - B. U.S. Senate
 - C. U.S. Department of Commerce

- D. All of the Above
- 6. To prevent states from over-counting their populations, the founding fathers decided to use census numbers to determine:
 - A. Public benefits
 - B. Seats in Congress
 - C. Electoral votes
 - D. Amount of taxation
- 7. The U.S. Census is conducted:
 - A. Every year
 - B. Every 2 years
 - C. Every 5 years
 - D. Every 10 years
- 8. Historical Census Records are often used to research:
 - A. Migration patters
 - B. Demographic data
 - C. Family history
 - D. All of the Above
- 9. Texas has a history of being:
 - A. Over-counted
 - B. Under-counted
 - C. Accurately-counted
 - D. Counted by mail

10. Which of the following is NOT an example of a traditionally "hard-to-count" population?

- A. Unemployed populations
- B. Immigrant populations
- C. Low-income populations
- D. Minority populations
- 11. Funding for which of the following is NOT dependent on the count of people in the Census?
 - A. Disaster response assistance
 - B. Internet speed
 - C. Roads and highways

- D. Schools
- 12. How much money do state and local communities lose for each person not counted in the Census?
 - A. \$500
 - B. \$1500
 - C. \$2500
 - D. \$3500
- 13. How can a person respond to the U.S. Census?
 - A. Mail
 - B. Phone
 - C. Online
 - D. All of the Above

14. Which of the following is a local resource for getting assistance with the Census?

- A. Fire Department
- B. Police Department
- C. Public Library
- D. High School Principals
- 15. Who of the following individuals should NOT be included in the household count of people on the Census form?
 - A. Babies that were not born yet as of April 1, 2020
 - B. Green-card holders
 - C. Undocumented immigrants
 - D. All of the above

16. The Census Bureau is permitted to share responses to the Census form with:

- A. Landlords
- B. Law enforcement
- C. Immigration officials
- D. None of the above

Answers: 1.C; 2.B; 3.D; 4.C; 5.A; 6.D; 7.D; 8.D; 9.B; 10.A; 11.B; 12.B; 13.D; 14.C; 15.A; 16.D

Open ended Questions:

- 1. Explain why responding the census is important to local communities.
- 2. Explain why the census was created.
- 3. Using examples, explain how the census affects local community funding.
- 4. How would an under-count affect the political power of Texas communities?
- 5. Using examples, explain how people can be sure their information will not be shared if they respond to the census.
- 6. Explain why a complete count should be important to Texans in the 2020 census.
- 7. Explain how responding to the census demonstrates good citizenship.