

# U.S. Government and Economics



## Unit 1: Foundations of the U.S. Government

- What is Government (1A, 6A, 11A, 11B, 19F, 20A)
- Influences on American Government (1A, 1B, 1C)
- The Declaration of Independence: Foundations (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 12B, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- The Declaration of Independence: Close Read (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 12B, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- Designing the U.S. System of Government (1A, 1B, 1E, 6A, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C, 21B)
- Establishing the Government (1A, 1D, 1E, 1F, 6A, 8A)
- Representation in the Founding (1A, 1E, 1F, 12B, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20C)
- Ratification (1D, 1E, 1F, 6C, 6D, 6F, 12B, 19A, 19C, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Foundations of the U.S. Government: Unit Review (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 6D, 8A, 11A, 11B, 12B, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20C)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

## Unit 2: The U.S. System of Government

- Principles of American Governance (6A, 6B, 6D, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Article 1 - The Legislative Branch (2A, 6D, 7A, 7E, 8D, 19A, 19C, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Article 2 - The Executive Branch (2A, 6D, 7B, 7E, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- The Cabinet (2B, 5B, 6D, 7B, 7D, 7G, 9A, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Article 3 - The Judicial Branch (2A, 6D, 7C, 7E, 19A, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- Checks and Balances and Separation of Powers (2A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7E, 8D, 9A, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Checks and Balances Case Study (1F, 6A, 6B, 6D, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7E, 7G, 8D, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- The Legislative Process (2A, 2B, 6A, 6C, 6D, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7E, 7G, 8D, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19E, 19F, 20A, 20B, 21A)
- Federalism (1F, 6A, 6B, 6D, 7H, 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Texas Government (2A, 6A, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7H, 8B, 8D, 9A, 19A, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B, 20C)
- Local Government (6D, 7H, 8B, 8D, 19A, 19B, 19C, 19D, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- Taxation and Funding the Government (4A, 4C, 5B, 7A, 13B, 19A, 19D, 19E, 20A)
- The Importance of a Written Constitution Assessment (6A, 6B, 6D, 19A, 19C, 19F, 20A, 20B)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

## Unit 3: The Bill of Rights

- The Bill of Rights Overview (6B, 6D, 8D, 12A, 12C, 15B)
- The Bill of Rights Deep Dive: 1st Amendment (6D, 8D, 12A, 12C, 15B)
- The Bill of Rights Deep Dive: Due Process and the Rule of Law (6D, 8D, 12A, 12C, 12F, 21A)

- The Bill of Rights and Students (8D, 12A, 12C, 15B)
- Religious Freedom in America (8D, 12A, 12C, 12D, 15B)
- Limits to Personal Freedoms (8D, 12A, 12C, 13A, 15B)
- Amending the Constitution (6A, 6E, 21A)
- Constitutional Amendments and Expanding Rights (1F, 6A, 6E, 8D, 12B, 12G, 14A, 14B, 16A, 16B)
- The Supreme Court and Civil Rights (1F, 7C, 7E, 7F, 8D, 12B, 12E, 12G, 14B, 16A, 16B)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

## Unit 4: Political Parties and Media

- The History of Political Parties (1F, 2B, 10A, 10B, 15A)
- The 2 Party System (1F, 2B, 10A, 10B, 14C, 15A)
- Political Parties and the Political Process (2A, 2B, 10A, 10B, 15A)
- Interest Groups and Lobbying (2A, 2B, 15A)
- The Role of the Media (2A, 2B, 12C, 15B)
- The Media and Elections: Shaping Public Opinion (1F, 2A, 2B, 14C, 18B)
- The Media and Elections: Media Literacy (13B, 14C, 18B)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

## Unit 5: Participation and Elections

- Responsibilities and Participation (2A, 2B, 6D, 13B)
- Electing Public Officials (2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 6D, 7A, 9A, 9C, 13B, 13C, 21A)
- Political Representation (3A, 3B, 3C, 7A, 10A)
- The Electoral College (1F, 6D, 7B, 9A, 9B, 13B, 13C, 21A)
- Contemporary Debates about the Electoral College (6D, 7B, 9A, 9B, 19C)
- Barriers to Voting (2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 6D, 7A, 9A, 9C, 13B, 13C, 21A)
- Getting Involved (2A, 2B, 7H, 8B, 13B, 14A, 18B)
- Historical Examples of Civic Participation (1F, 2A, 2B, 7H, 13A, 13B, 14A, 14B)
- Evaluating the Effectiveness of Participation (2A, 2B, 7H, 13A, 13B, 14A, 18B)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

## Unit 6: Contemporary Governance

- Foundational Documents and Today (6D, 6F, 8C, 8D)
- The U.S. Government and Economic Policy (4A, 4B, 4C, 5A, 5B, 7A, 7B, 7D, 7E, 7G, 8C)
- The U.S. Free Enterprise System and the Government (4A, 4B, 4C, 5B, 7G, 17A)
- The U.S. Government and Domestic Policy (7G, 8C, 8D, 16B)
- The U.S. Government and Foreign Policy (5A, 7A, 7B, 7E, 7G, 8D, 16B)
- The U.S. Government and War (5A, 7A, 7B, 7E, 7G, 8D, 16B)
- Influences on the Legislative Process (2A, 2B, 6D, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7E, 10A, 15A, 15B, 18B)
- The Impact of Policy (16A, 16B)
- Campaign Finance (2A)
- Polarization (14C)
- The Role of Discourse and Disagreement (19C)
- Tribal Sovereignty (5A, 7A, 7B, 7E, 7G, 8D, 16B)
- Modern Technology and the Government (16B, 17B, 18A, 18B)
- Capstone Product (19B, 19C, 21B)
- Unit Vocab / Review
- Unit Assessment

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