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1. Which of the following statements is an opinion about the U.S. Constitution?

- a. It has survived over 200 years.
- b. It is a blueprint for the U.S. government.
- c. It is the best plan for a government.
- d. It took a lot of compromise to put it together.

2. Which statement best describes the original mission of the Philadelphia Convention?

- a. Declare independence from Great Britain
- b. Elect a new President
- c. Fix the Articles of Confederation
- d. Write a new Constitution

3. Following the American Revolution, the most pressing issues facing the Confederation Congress were:

- a. Intellectual
- b. Ethical
- c. Racial
- d. Financial





4. Most delegates to the Philadelphia Convention agreed on the need to \_\_\_\_\_ the power of the central government and \_\_\_\_\_ the powers of the state governments.

- a. increase, increase
- b. increase, decrease
- c. decrease, increase
- d. decrease, decrease

5. To ensure the secrecy of the convention, the delegates:

- a. Gathered in Philadelphia
- b. Elected George Washington to preside
- c. Closed the windows and drapes
- d. Denied publicly that they were meeting

6. If voting today, which state would most likely support the Virginia Plan?

- a. 
- b. 
- c. 
- d. 

7. As part of the Great Compromise, each state was given two representatives in the Senate. This helped satisfy supporters of:

- a. James Madison
- b. William Paterson
- c. Roger Sherman
- d. Benjamin Franklin

8. North Carolina had about 100,000 slaves in 1790. How many of these would count toward the state's representation in Congress?

- a. None
- b. 10,000
- c. 30,000
- d. 60,000

9. Which group benefited most from the Three-Fifths Compromise?

- a. Northern women
- b. Southern plantation owners
- c. Northern factory workers
- d. Southern slaves

10. According to the Constitution, you must be at least 35 years old to run for President. Changing this rule would require a new:

- a. Amendment
- b. President
- c. Law
- d. Constitutional Convention