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AP US GOVERNMENT: SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT
Constitution Scavenger Hunt

Directions: In order to best prepare for AP US Government, what better summer reading assignment than to READ the Constitution?! Read your own or go to this website <http://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/constitution.overview.html>. If you have any questions email Mrs. Poole at shpoole@aacps.org. Put answers in **complete sentences** on your own paper.

Preamble

(Memorize the preamble and share it on the first day of school to get extra credit!
Start off AP on the right foot!)

1. What is the purpose of the preamble?
2. How many words are in the preamble?

Article I

3. How often are Representatives to be elected? What section is this found in?
4. How old must a Representative be to be elected? What section is this found in?
5. How long is the term for a senator? What section is this found in?
6. How old does someone have to be to be a senator? What section is this found in?
7. Who is the president of the Senate and when does that person vote in the Senate? What section is this found in?
8. Which legislative body has the power of impeachment and which body has the power to try an impeached official? What section is this found in?
9. What is the vote that is necessary to convict someone who has been impeached? What section is this found in?
10. If the House of Representatives or the Senate wants to adjourn what is necessary? What section is this found in?
11. In what federal body do all bills concerning taxes originate? What section is this found in?
12. The Constitution lists or enumerates the powers of Congress. List six of them. What section are these found in?
13. When may the writ of *habeas corpus* be suspended? What section is this found in?

Article II

14. What are the three requirements to be president (hint: age, citizenship, residency)? What section is this found in?
15. Name three powers of the President. What section is this found in?

16. What fraction of which body of Congress must approve a treaty that the president has negotiated? What section is this found in?

Article III

17. What is the term of office for Supreme Court justices? What section is this found in?
18. What are two instances where the Supreme Court has original jurisdiction? What section is this found in?
19. What must be necessary to convict someone of treason? What section is this found in?

Article IV

20. What appears to be the purpose of Article IV?

Article V

21. What fraction of the houses of Congress is necessary to approve a proposed amendment?
22. What fraction of the states must approve a proposed amendment for it to be ratified?

Article VI

23. What appears to be the purpose of Article VI?

Article VII

24. How many of the 13 states needed to ratify the Constitution in order for it to take effect?

Amendments

25. Which amendment extended the vote to 18 year olds?
26. Which amendment ended slavery?
27. Which amendment said that states couldn't prevent people from voting based on their race?
28. Which amendment gave the District of Columbia the right to vote in presidential elections?
29. Which amendment requires a warrant to search someone's property?
30. Name the five basic civil liberties guaranteed in the First Amendment.
31. Why does Mrs. Poole hate Amendment 8? (be clever)
32. Which amendment outlines the procedures to be taken if the President is going to be incapacitated and cannot fulfill his duties?
33. Which amendment said the states could not deny a person equal protection of the laws? **
Learn this one NOW it's BIG on the AP 😊
34. Which amendment gave women the right to vote and in what year was it passed?
35. Which amendment implies that all powers not given to the federal government are reserved to the states?
36. Which amendment gives a defendant the right to confront witnesses against him?