A Second Citizenship Quiz in Honor of Native American Heritage Month
Focus: Notable Native Americans

Sacagawea, was a Lemhi Shoshone woman who guided Lewis and Clark as they explored territory purchased from France (1803). During their three year journey, they followed America’s longest river to its source, climbed over the Rocky Mountains to the West Coast, then returned. In 2000, the U.S. Mint issued the Sacagawea dollar coin, which shows her carrying her baby son as they travel to the West.

1. What territory did the United States buy from France in 1803? (71)
2. Name one of the two longest rivers in the United States. (88)
3. What ocean is on the West Coast of the United States? (89)

Sequoyah independently developed a syllabary for the Cherokee language. In 1825, the Cherokee Nation adopted this syllabary, published a newspaper, and translated other books, such as the Bible. Sequoyah’s work inspired others to develop syllabaries for native languages in Canada, Asia, and Africa.

4. What is one right or freedom from the First Amendment? (6)

Charles Curtis (Kaw, Osage, Potawatomi) was a U.S. Senator from Kansas and the first person with acknowledged non-European ancestry to serve as Vice-President (1929-1933).

5. What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now? (29)

Ben Nighthorse Campbell (Cheyenne) represented Colorado in both house of Congress (1987-2005).

6. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?* (17)

Tom Cole (Chickasaw) has served as a U.S. Representative (OK-4) since 2003. As a Deputy Majority Whip, he works with the Speaker of the House and the Majority Whip to get support for proposed laws.

7. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now? (47)

During the 2014 Alaskan gubernatorial election, Democrat Byron Mallott (Tlingit) merged his campaign with that of Independent candidate Bill Walker. They won and Mallott now serves as the Lt. Governor.

8. Who is the Governor of your state now? (43)

Lori Ann Piestewa (Hopi) was the first Native American woman in history to die in combat while serving in the U.S. military (Army). She was awarded the Purple Heart and has been honored by many memorials including the renaming of Arizona’s Squaw Peak as Piestewa Peak.

9. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1800s.* (72)
10. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.* (78)