Presidents’ Day Quiz 2011 Part B: Executive Branch & Federalist Period

1. The Chief Justice is in charge of the Judicial Branch. **Who is in charge of the Executive Branch?** (15)
   a) the Mayor of Washington DC  
   b) the President  
   c) the Speaker of the House  
   d) the Vice-President

2. President Franklin D Roosevelt was elected to four terms and served for 13 years. **We elect a President for how many years (now)?** (26)
   a) 2 years  
   b) 4 years  
   c) 6 years  
   d) 8 years

3. Voting is a right and responsibility. Only US citizens can vote in federal elections. **In what month do we vote for President?*** (27)
   a) January  
   b) February  
   c) October  
   d) November

4. There have been forty-three US Presidents before this current President. **What is the name of the President of the United States now?*** (28)
   a) Bill Clinton  
   b) George W. Bush  
   c) Barack Obama  
   d) George H.W. Bush

5. John Adams was the first Vice-President. **What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?** (29)
   a) Al Gore  
   b) Dan Quayle  
   c) Dick Cheney  
   d) Joe Biden

6. After President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, _____ Lyndon B. Johnson became president. **If the President can no longer serve, who becomes President?** (30)
   a) First Lady  
   b) Secretary of State  
   c) Speaker of the House  
   d) Vice-President

7. Gerald Ford was _____, but he became the president after both Vice-President Agnew and President Nixon resigned. **If both the President and the Vice President can no longer serve, who becomes President?** (31)
   a) the First Lady  
   b) the Secretary of Defense  
   c) the Secretary of State  
   d) the Speaker of the House

8. Before he became president, Washington was the first Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army. **Who is the Commander in Chief of the military (now)?** (32)
   a) the President  
   b) the Secretary of Defense  
   c) the Speaker of the House  
   d) the Vice-President

9. Congress makes federal law. **Who signs bills to become laws?** (33)
   a) the President  
   b) the Secretary of State  
   c) the Speaker of the House  
   d) the Vice-President

10. Senate and House of Representatives pass bills to make laws. **Who vetoes bills?** (34)
    a) the President  
    b) the President Pro Tempore  
    c) the Speaker of the House  
    d) the Vice-President
11. The Judicial Branch explains laws. **What does the President's Cabinet do?** (35)
   a) advises the President
   b) balances the President
   c) checks the President
   d) vetoes the President

12. Thomas Jefferson was the first ___ and Alexander Hamilton was the first ___. **What are two Cabinet-level positions?** (36)
   a) the Mayor of Washington DC
   b) the Secretary of State
   c) the Secretary of the Treasury
   d) the Speaker of the House

13. When the first president was elected, there were no political parties. **What is the political party of the President now?** (45, 46)
   a) the Democratic Party
   b) the Libertarian Party
   c) the Republican Party
   d) the Tea Party

14. Before he became the first president, General George Washington led the American colonists in the Continental Army. **Why did the colonists fight the British?** (61)
   a) because they didn’t have jobs
   b) because they didn’t have self-government
   c) because they didn’t want capitalism
   d) because they didn’t want slavery

15. Before he became the third president, _____ wrote the Declaration of Independence. **Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?** (62)
   a) Benjamin Franklin
   b) George Washington
   c) John Adams
   d) Thomas Jefferson

16. Before they became US Presidents, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson signed the Declaration of Independence. **When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?** (63)
   a) April 19, 1775
   b) July 4, 1776
   c) September 17, 1787
   d) December 15, 1791

17. Before he became the first president, Washington presided over the Constitutional Convention. **What happened at the Constitutional Convention?** (65)
   a) The Bill of Rights was adopted.
   b) The Declaration of Independence was signed.
   c) The Star-Spangled Banner was sung.
   d) The US Constitution was written

18. Before he became the president, James Madison was the lead writer of the US Constitution. **When was the Constitution written?** (66)
   a) 1776
   b) 1787
   c) 1789
   d) 1791

19. **The Federalist Papers supported the passage of the U.S. Constitution.** Before he became the fourth president, _____ helped write the Federalist Papers. (67)
   a) Benjamin Franklin
   b) George Washington
   c) James Madison
   d) Thomas Jefferson

20. He led the army during the Revolutionary War, led the representatives during the Constitutional Convention, and led the country as our first president. **Who is the “Father of Our Country”?** (69)
   a) Benjamin Franklin
   b) George Washington
   c) John Adams
   d) Thomas Jefferson