Citizenship Quiz: Women in the Legislative Branch

01. Barbara Ann Mikulski has been elected to both houses of the US Congress and is currently the longest-serving woman (since 1977) in its history. **What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?** (17)
   a. the Army and Navy
   b. the Cabinet and Bar
   c. the Legislature and the courts
   d. the Senate and House

02. People hailed 1992 as “The Year of the Woman” because five women were elected to the US Senate. Recently, there are twenty women senators. **How many U.S. Senators are there?** (18)
   a. twenty-seven (27)
   b. fifty (50)
   c. one hundred (100)
   d. four hundred and thirty-five (435)

03. In 1922, Georgia’s governor appointed Rebecca Felton to the Senate. Although she served only 24 hours, she was the first woman to serve in the US Senate. **We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?** (19)
   a. Two (2)
   b. Four (4)
   c. Six (6)
   d. Eight (8)

04. Mazie Hirono served for many years in the Hawaii state legislature and then became the first Asian-American woman elected to the Senate. **Who is one of your state’s U.S. Senators now?** (20)
   a. Dianne Feinstein
   b. Kay Bailey Hutchison
   c. Patty Murray
   d. Other: __________________________

05. Recently, there are 84 women who serve in the House, including two sisters, Loretta L. Sánchez (CA-46) and Linda Sánchez (CA-39). **The House of Representatives has how many voting members?** (21)
   a. Fifty-three (53)
   b. One hundred (100)
   c. Four hundred thirty-five (435)
   d. Five hundred thirty-eight (538)

06. Barbara Jordan was the first southern African-American woman elected to Congress, representing Texas’ 18th Congressional District (1967-79). **We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?** (22)
   a. Two (2)
   b. Four (4)
   c. Six (6)
   d. Eight (8)

07. Tulsi Gabbard (Hawaii-2) and Tammy Duckworth (Illinois-8) are the first female combat veterans to serve in congress. **Name your U.S. Representative.** (23)
   a. Jackie Speier
   b. Maxine Waters
   c. Zoe Lofgren
   d. Other: __________________________

08. Two women senators represent California, New Hampshire, & Washington. **Who does a Senator represent?**
   a. All the people of the state
   b. Her state’s citizens
   c. Only adults
   d. Only registered voters

09. California has 53 representatives, 19 of whom are women. Wyoming has a single representative, Cynthia Lummis. **Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?** (25)
   a. larger population
   b. larger state budgets
   c. more land
   d. more registered voters

10. Nancy Pelosi was the 1st female Speaker of the House. **What is the name of the Speaker of the House now?**
   a. Dennis Hastert
   b. John Boehner
   c. Nancy Pelosi
   d. Paul Ryan