

## **Naturalization Test Questions for Applicants Meeting 65/20 Exception**

**An applicant for naturalization must demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of the history and of the principles and form of government of the United States. Applicants who have been residing in the U.S. subsequent to lawful admission for permanent residence for at least 20 years and are 65 years of age or over on the date of filing will be afforded "special consideration" in satisfying this requirement.**

**"Special consideration" means that these applicants can demonstrate their knowledge of United States history and government at a less demanding level. Applicants entitled to special consideration will be asked 10 questions from the following list. The applicant must answer six questions correctly to pass.**

**Given that these applicants are also exempt from the English literacy requirement, the applicant may be tested in the language of their choice.**

*See [INA 312](#) and the [Technical Corrections Act of 1994](#).*

### **NATURALIZATION TEST QUESTIONS**

1. Why do we celebrate the Fourth of July?
2. Who was the first President of the United States?
3. Who is the President of the United States today?
4. What is the Constitution?
5. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?
6. Who elects Congress?
7. How many Senators are there in Congress?
8. For how long do we elect each Senator?
9. For how long do we elect the Representatives in Congress?
10. Who nominates Judges to the Supreme Court?

11. What are the three branches of our government?
12. What is the highest court in the United States?
13. What major river running north to south divides the United States?
14. The Civil War was fought over what important issue?
15. Name the two major political parties in the United States today.
16. How many states are there in the United States?
17. What is the capital of the United States?
18. What is the minimum voting age in the United States?
19. Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.?
20. What nation was first to land a man on the moon?
21. What is the capital of your state?
22. What is it called if the President refuses to sign a bill into law and returns it to Congress with his objections?
23. What two oceans bound the United States?
24. What famous American invented the electric light bulb?
25. What is the national anthem of the United States?

### **NATURALIZATION TEST ANSWERS**

1. Independence Day.
2. George Washington.
3. George W. Bush.

4. The supreme law of the land.
5. The Bill of Rights.
6. The people.
7. 100.
8. Six years.
9. Two years.
10. The President.
11. Legislative, Executive and Judicial.
12. The Supreme Court.
13. The Mississippi River.
14. Slavery or States Rights.
15. Democratic and Republican.
16. Fifty.
17. Washington, D.C.
18. Eighteen.
19. A civil rights leader.
20. The United States of America.
21. [INSERT LOCAL INFORMATION]
22. Veto.
23. The Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.
24. Edison.
25. The Star-Spangled Banner.