

# ANSWER KEY

## Worksheet: History of U.S. Citizenship

Year	Event
<b>1924</b>	Indian Citizenship Act extends U.S. citizenship to all Native Americans.
<b>1940</b>	Alien Registration Act requires all non-citizen adults to register with the government and empowers the president to deport foreigners suspected of espionage or being a security risk.
<b>1865</b>	Thirteenth Amendment abolishes slavery, although it did not grant formerly enslaved persons the full rights of citizenship.
<b>2001</b>	USA Patriot Act amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to broaden the scope of aliens ineligible for admission or deportation to include terrorist activities.
<b>1921</b>	First quota law is passed limiting the annual number of immigrants based on country of origin.
<b>1790</b>	Naturalization Act of ____ provides the first rules to be followed by the United States in granting national citizenship to “free white people.”
<b>1952</b>	Immigration and Nationality Act eliminates race as a barrier to immigration or citizenship.
<b>1965</b>	Hart-Celler Act abolishes the national origins quota system, replacing it with a preference system that focuses on immigrants’ skills and family relationships with U.S. citizens or residents.
<b>1986</b>	Immigration Reform and Control Act of ____ grants amnesty to millions of individuals living in the United States who entered the country before January 1, 1982.
<b>1789</b>	Under the U.S. Constitution, under Article I, Congress is “to establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization,” eventually giving the federal government the sole authority over immigration.
<b>1882</b>	Chinese Exclusion Act of ____ is the first U.S. law to ban immigration based on race or nationality; it would be repealed in 1943.
<b>1917</b>	Jones-Shafroth Act grants U.S. citizenship to residents of Puerto Rico.
<b>1898</b>	U.S. Supreme Court rules in <i>United States v. Wong Kim Ark</i> that any child born in the United States, regardless of race or parents’ citizenship status, is a U.S. citizen.
<b>1870</b>	Naturalization Act of ____ extends naturalization rights to former African slaves not born in the United States; however, Asian immigrants remain excluded from citizenship.
<b>1776</b>	Declaration of Independence protests England’s limiting naturalization of foreigners in the colonies.
<b>1868</b>	Fourteenth Amendment states that all persons born or naturalized in the United States are citizens and are guaranteed “equal protection of the laws.”
<b>1848</b>	Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo extends citizenship to all inhabitants living in the territory annexed to the United States following the Mexican War.
<b>1789</b>	Bill of Rights outlines basic rights under the new government.