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Worksheet: History of U.S. Citizenship

Match the following dates with the correct event: 1776, 1789, 1789, 1790, 1848, 1865, 1868, 1870, 1882, 1898, 1917, 1921, 1924, 1940, 1952, 1965, 1986, 2001

Year	Event
	Indian Citizenship Act extends U.S. citizenship to all Native Americans.
	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.
	Thirteenth Amendment abolishes slavery, although it did not grant formerly enslaved persons the full rights of citizenship.
	USA Patriot Act amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to broaden the scope of aliens ineligible for admission or deportation to include terrorist activities.
	First quota law is passed limiting the annual number of immigrants based on country of origin.
	Naturalization Act of ____ provides the first rules to be followed by the United States in granting national citizenship to “free white people.”
	Immigration and Nationality Act eliminates race as a barrier to immigration or citizenship.
	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.
	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.
	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.
	Chinese Exclusion Act of ____ is the first U.S. law to ban immigration based on race or nationality; it would be repealed in 1943.
	Jones-Shafroth Act grants U.S. citizenship to residents of Puerto Rico.
	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.
	Naturalization Act of ____ extends naturalization rights to former African slaves not born in the United States; however, Asian immigrants remain excluded from citizenship.
	Declaration of Independence protests England’s limiting naturalization of foreigners in the colonies.
	Fourteenth Amendment states that all persons born or naturalized in the United States are citizens and are guaranteed “equal protection of the laws.”
	Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo extends citizenship to all inhabitants living in the territory annexed to the United States following the Mexican War.
	Bill of Rights outlines basic rights under the new government.



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