

Daily Jumble

Thursday, April 3, 2025

5th Amendment and Objectivity (12 Angry Men)

How did the 8th Amendment put limits on punishment?



This Day in History

On this day in 1946, President Harry S. Truman signed which law? It was a plan designed to help European allies rebuild after World War II and resist communism.

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Due Process and Reasonable Doubt



Why did the Framers see a need for a national court system?
Why did the Farmers believe that an independent judiciary was so important?

This Day in History

On this day in 1982, Argentine troops seized which group of disputed islands from the United Kingdom, thus sparking a brief war?

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

The National Judiciary

Which is the only court mentioned in the Constitution?



This Day in History

On this day in 1976, which company was founded by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak, and Ronald Wayne?

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

WI Civics Test



This Day in History

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Monday, March 31, 2025

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Friday, March 28, 2025

Ch. 13 - 15 Assessment

Who is the current Chief Justice of the United States?



This Day in History

On this day in 1979, America's worst commercial nuclear accident occurred with a partial meltdown where?

Thursday, March 27, 2025

Bureaucracy Basics

How do executive agreements differ from treaties?



This Day in History

On this day in 1912, First Lady Helen Herron Taft and the wife of Japan's ambassador to the United States, Viscountess Chinda, planted the first two of what gift from the mayor of Tokyo?

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Presidential Succession and the Vice President

How does the Constitution address presidential succession? In what way did the Presidential Succession Act of 1947 deal with this matter?



This Day in History

On this day in 2024, the Francis Scott Key Bridge, in which city, collapsed after being struck by a container ship? It killed six maintenance workers on the bridge.

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

The Powers of the Presidency

How have the legislative and judicial branches influenced the growth of the power of the President?



This Day in History

On this day in 1911, 146 people, mostly young female immigrants, were killed when a fire broke out at which garment factory in New York?

Monday, March 24, 2025

The Electoral College

Why do presidential campaigns focus heavily on swing voters and battleground States?



This Day in History

On this day in 1999, NATO launched airstrikes against which country, thus marking the first time in its 50-year existence that it had ever attacked a sovereign country?

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Ch. 10 - 12 Review

Why might some Presidents have used the veto power frequently?



This Day in History

On this day in 1995, who returned to play in the NBA with his former team? It was 17 months after announcing his retirement from basketball.

Friday, March 14, 2025

Comparing the House and the Senate

What is the oversight function?



This Day in History

On this day in 1879, which famous physicist was born in Ulm, Germany?

Thursday, March 13, 2025

Gerrymandering

How does a senator's constituency differ from that of a typical member of the House?



This Day in History

On this day in 1930, who began his “Salt March” as an act of non-violent civil disobedience to protest the salt tax levied by colonial Britain?

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

The National Legislature

Why has Congress been called the most representative body of the land?



This Day in History

On this day in 1933, who gave his first national radio address, or “fireside chat,” broadcast directly from the White House?

Friday, March 7, 2025

Money and Elections



How does the presidential primary differ from those primaries used in State and local nominations?

This Day in History

On this day in 1876, which 29-year-old received a patent for his revolutionary new invention: the telephone?

Thursday, March 6, 2025

Voter and Voter Behavior

Who are “nonvoting voters”?

This Day in History

On this day in 1836, after 13 days of intermittent fighting, which battle came to a gruesome end, capping off a pivotal moment in the Texas Revolution?

Wednesday, March 5, 2025



Party Organization

Why do splinter parties develop? What usually happens to these break-away parties?

This Day in History

On this day in 1946, who delivered a speech at Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, in which he said: “From Stettin in the Baltic, to Trieste in the Adriatic, an iron curtain has descended across the continent”?

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

The Minor Parties

What characterizes the present political era that began in 1968?



This Day in History

On this day in 1801, who became the first president to be inaugurated in Washington D.C.?

Friday, February 28, 2025



Ch. 4 Assessment

This Day in History

On this day in 1953, what did Cambridge University scientists James D. Watson and Francis H.C. Crick announce they determined?

Thursday, February 27, 2025

Interstate Relations

If a person commits a felony in one State and flees to another, why might that person face extradition?

This Day in History

On this day in 1827, a group of masked and costumed students danced through the streets of New Orleans, Louisiana, which marked the start of which famous celebration in the city?

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Territorial Expansion

What does Congress do once the requirements of the enabling act are met?



This Day in History

On this day in 1917, President Woodrow Wilson learned of which message from the German Foreign Secretary to the German ambassador to Mexico?

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Division of Powers

What is the purpose of the division of powers under federalism? Where was this principle established in the Constitution?



This Day in History

On this day in 1964, who became world heavyweight boxing champion for the first time as he defeated Sonny Liston in Miami Beach?

Monday, February 24, 2025

What is Federalism?

What governments in our country make laws that you must obey?



This Day in History

On this day in 1868, the U.S. House of Representatives impeached which president?

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Ch. 3 Assessment



This Day in History

On this day in 1962, who became the first American to orbit Earth?

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Ch. 3 Review

How has Congress added "flesh to the bones" of the "Constitution"?



This Day in History

On this day in 1878, Thomas Edison was awarded U.S. Patent No. 200,521 for which invention? This technology made the modern music business possible.

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Change by Other Means

How is the ratification process of amendments an example of popular sovereignty?



This Day in History

On this day in 1885, who published his famous—and famously controversial—novel *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* in the U.S.?

Monday, February 17, 2025

Judicial Review

What is judicial Review? How was this power formally established?



This Day in History

On this day in 2014, made his debut as host of NBC's "Tonight Show?"

Thursday, February 13, 2025

Constitutional Principles

What is the purpose of the Preamble of the Constitution?



This Day in History

On this day in 1920, the League of Nations recognized the perpetual neutrality of which country?

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Current Events

This Day in History



On this day in 1909, which new organization was founded by African American leaders such as W.E.B. Du Bois and Ida B. Wells-Barnett? It had a profound effect on the struggle for civil rights and the course of 20th-century American History.

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

The Ratification Debates

What was the purpose of keeping the discussions within the Constitutional Convention a secret?

This Day in History

On this day in 1990, which leader was released from prison after 27 years? He was the leader of the movement to end South African apartheid.



Monday, February 10, 2025

Creating Our Constitution

Name the three “unalienable rights” listed in the Declaration.

This Day in History

On this day in 1763, which treaty was signed in Paris, with France ceding its territory in Canada to Great Britain?



Friday, February 7, 2025

Our Political Beginnings

What is representative government?

This Day in History

On this day in 1964, Pan Am Yankee Clipper flight 101 from London Heathrow landed at New York's Kennedy Airport with which band?



Thursday, February 6, 2025

Ch. 1 Assessment

This Day in History

On this day in 1952, who became Queen of England, at the age of 27, when George VI passed away in Northern Ireland?



Wednesday, February 5, 2025

Ch. 1 Review

What is the difference between a state and a nation?

This Day in History

On this day in 2023, who won her 32nd Grammy to become the most decorated artist in the history of the award?



Tuesday, February 4, 2025

Concepts of Democracy

Why is volunteering an important civic responsibility?

This Day in History

On this day in 1801, who took office as chief justice of the United States, a position he would hold for a record 34 years?



Monday, February 3, 2025



Forms of Government

According to what three characteristics do we classify governments?

This Day in History

On this day in 1916, which amendment to the U.S. Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified?

Friday, January 31, 2025

Government and the State



Government is the institution through which society makes and enforces its public policies. What are some examples of public policies?

This Day in History

On this day in 1950, U.S. President Harry S. Truman publicly announced his decision to support the development of which weapon?

Thursday, January 30, 2025

Course Introduction

Why should you study government and politics?

This Day in History

On this day in 1956, an unidentified suspected white supremacist terrorist bombed the Montgomery home of which reverend and civil rights leader?