ELECTORAL COLLEGE TEST STUDY GUIDE

1. What is the exact wording for the Federal Law that sets the date for the POPULAR VOTE and the ELECTORAL VOTE.
2. On November 8, 2016 the people of the United States will vote. What is this called?
3. In politics a “favorite son” refers to…What?
4. What is the total number of U.S. Senators?
5. The votes have been counted – Hillary Clinton has won the popular vote 47,946,000 to Donald Trump’s 44,908,254. The electoral vote is a tie 269 to 269. Due to these results what will happen?
6. What are the requirements for a person to be permitted to vote in the popular election?
7. What or who were the American people voting for On Tuesday, November 8, 2016?
8. A person chosen by a political party for the purpose of voting for that party’s presidential candidate in the December election is the definition for what?
9. How many votes does each state get in the House of Representatives if no candidate gets a majority of electoral votes?
10. If more Americans voted for Mitt Romney than Barack Obama but Barack Obama receives 270 electoral votes. Who is the next president?
11. Why did the Founding Fathers reject the idea of Congress choosing the president?
12. How many total electoral votes are there in the USA?
13. In which month does the newly elected president take office?
14. New Jersey has 14 members in the U.S. Congress. How many are Senators?
15. What makes the difference between the total number of electoral votes in the USA (538) and the total number of U.S. Congressmen (535)?
16. In the state of Florida Donald Trump receives 2,000,001 popular votes to Hillary Clinton 2,000,000. Of the 27 electoral votes how many does Trump get and how many does Clinton get?
17. What’s the minimum number of electoral votes a candidate needs to win the election?
18. Each state has a certain number of electoral votes – how is it determined? What two factors are combined?
19. What obstacles prevented the American citizens in the 1700’s from getting enough information about candidates outside their geographic region?
20. In 1804 there were 176 total electoral votes. How many electoral votes were needed to win?
21. Why is it rare for electors to vote for someone other than the candidate chosen by the people of their state?
22. What is a candidate called that loses the Popular Vote but wins the Electoral Vote?
23. Who counts the Electoral votes?
24. Why did the Founding Fathers choose to use an Electoral College vote to pick the president instead of a direct popular vote of the people?
25. If the presidential election between Clinton and Trump were to remain a tie all the way to the U.S. Senate and even here it remains a tie who gets to cast the tie breaking vote in the event the Senate is tied?