

# POTUS comprehension quiz



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**Directions:** Use the "POTUS" article located on the Social Studies page at [sgctthird.weebly.com](http://sgctthird.weebly.com) to answer the following questions.

1. What is the author's purpose for writing this article?
  - A. The author wanted to persuade the reader to become active in local government.
  - B. The author wrote the article to give details about the job of U.S. president.
  - C. The author's purpose is to explain why the president earns more money now than in 1789.
  - D. The purpose is to persuade the reader that U.S. presidents should be able to serve for more than two terms.

2. What question can be answered from looking at the picture of the Presidential Seal?
  - A. Why does the Presidential Seal feature an eagle?
  - B. What is the meaning of E Pluribus Unum?
  - C. What is the eagle holding in its talons?
  - D. Who designed the Presidential Seal?

3. Complete these notes. Circle the answer choices that belong in the shaded areas.

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- A. appoint members of the Supreme Court
- B. declare war against another country
- C. replace the chief executive of any NATO allied country when necessary
- D. prepare the national budget
- E. make laws and decide if laws have been broken

4. The president can issue executive orders. What is an executive order?

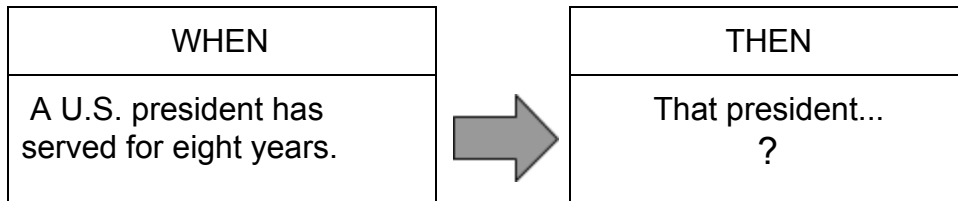
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5. Candidates must meet certain requirements to be president. Which of the following is NOT a requirement to be president?

- A. The president must have served in the armed forces or as a member of Congress.
- B. The president must be a natural-born citizen of the United States.
- C. The president must be at least 35 years old.
- D. The president must be a resident of the United States for 14 years.

6.



- A. will become vice president in the next presidential election.
- B. is no longer able to serve as president of the United States.
- C. will choose the next president of the United States.
- D. will serve in Congress the following year.
- E. Is eligible to run for president of the U.S. in another eight years

7. What question can be answered using the line graph, “Salary of the United States President”?

- A. Why does the U.S. president earn \$400,000 a year?
- B. How much money does the CEO of Apple earn each year?
- C. About how much money did the U.S. president earn in 1969?
- D. Who is the second highest paid government employee?

8. Why did the author MOST LIKELY include the line graph about presidential salary?

- A. The line graph helps show the reader how the presidential salary has risen over time.
- B. The line graph explains why the president earns more money now than in 1789.
- C. Presidential salary really hasn’t changed much over the last 200 years.
- D. The line graph helps illustrate the author’s opinion that the president earns too much money.

9. Under which heading should the author include information about why the president earns \$400,000 a year?

- A. Requirements to be President
- B. Election
- C. Salary
- D. Presidential Seal

10. Read this sentence from the text, “The president of the United States is the **highest** paid government employee”. What is the root word in “**highest**”?

- A. lowest
- B. higher
- C. est
- high