



*We the People: The Citizen & the Constitution*

**QUIZ**

Unit One, Lesson 3

“What is a republican government?”

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**Vocabulary Matching**

Directions: Write the letter of the definition next to the appropriate vocabulary words.

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| 1. civic virtue_____          | a. (noun) things that are to your advantage or benefit   |
| 2. common good_____           | b. (noun) a term that means putting the common good above individual interests   |
| 3. direct democracy_____      | c. (verb) to take the place of or to stand in for someone  |
| 4. interests _____            | d. (noun) people elected to stand in for someone   |
| 5. represent_____             | e. (noun) good of the community as a whole   |
| 6. representatives_____       | f. (noun) government in which power is held by the people who elect representatives to run the government for the common good    |
| 7. republican government_____ | g. (noun) ancient republic that existed more than 2,000 years ago and helped inspire our form of government                      |
| 8. Roman Republic_____        | h. (noun) a term that means the type of democracy where the people themselves meet and make the laws that they decide are needed |

**Short Answer**

Directions: Answer the following question in the space provided below. If you need additional space, continue your answer on the back of the page.

9. What were some things the Founders believed were advantages to a republican government?

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## Multiple Choice

Directions: Read the following question and partial statements carefully. Circle only the best answer for each.

10. Which is **not** true in a republican government?
  - a. The people hold the power of government.
  - b. The people give power to leaders they elect to represent them.
  - c. Representatives are responsible to help all the people in a country, not just a few.
  - d. All of the above are true.
  
11. In a direct democracy
  - a. the people choose representatives to make decisions for them.
  - b. the people make the decisions themselves.
  - c. the people hold the power, but a ruler makes decisions for them.
  - d. All of the above are true.
  
12. In a republican government, representatives
  - a. make decisions on behalf of the people.
  - b. make laws faster than in a direct democracy because being a representative is their full-time job.
  - c. have to listen to the people or they'll get voted out of office.
  - d. serve the common good, not just one person or one group of people.
  - e. All of the above are true about representatives.
  
13. The Founders felt that for a republican government to work, the people
  - a. must have civic virtue.
  - b. must be willing to participate in their government.
  - c. must select good representatives interested in working for the common good.
  - d. must do all of the above.
  
14. The story of Cincinnatus teaches us that
  - a. people who win wars should be the ruler of their country.
  - b. sometimes having civic virtue requires people to make personal sacrifices.
  - c. Cincinnatus didn't do what was best for the common good.
  - d. sometimes an ordinary citizen can't really make a big difference.

### **Lesson 3 Answers**

1. B 2. E 3. H 4. A 5. C 6. D 7. F 8. G 9. SEE PAGE 28, "REVIEW THE LESSON," QUESTION 3; 10. D 11. B 12. E 13. D 14. B