

Civics Review Sheet – Chapter 3, Sections 2 and 3

Useful Vocabulary:

Amendment

Ratification

Formal amendment

Bill of Rights

Executive agreement

Treaty

Electoral college

Cabinet

Senatorial courtesy

Checkpoint Questions:

1. How has the Constitution been amended through the formal amendment process?
2. Why do you think that the Constitution has been amended so infrequently since 1789?
3. How does the formal amendment process reflect the concept of federalism?
4. What is the purpose of the Bill of Rights?

5. How have the day-to-day working of government affected how we interpret the Constitution?
6. Name the two methods by which Congress has shaped the government.
7. Why did the Framers make no provisions for political parties?
8. Which two customs did the 22nd and 25th amendments establish as law?

Points to Ponder:

Make sure you know the amendments 1 – 27.

Make sure you know the 15 departments of the Cabinet and can discuss at least one with the name of the Secretary/AG and details about what the department actually does.

Good luck on your test!!! You'll do great I am sure! ☺