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1. Jury duty is considered to be

- A. a basic duty of a citizen.
 - B. a volunteer service of citizens.
 - C. a responsibility of court officials.
 - D. a requirement to be an elected official.
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2. If you want a new local recreational park for camping and hiking, to whom should you go?

- A. a judge
 - B. the county commissioner
 - C. the local sheriff
 - D. a United States senator
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3.

In the council-manager form of city government, one of the jobs of the elected city council is to

- A. pass city ordinances.
 - B. implement council policy.
 - C. prepare the city's budget.
 - D. run the city's daily operations.
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4. Both the United States Constitution and Georgia's Constitution provide for a system of checks and balances. Why did the authors of both constitutions include this system?

- A. to encourage cooperation between political parties
 - B. to ensure that no branch of government becomes too powerful
 - C. to guarantee that all citizens have equal rights
 - D. to ensure that large states do not have more power than small states
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All of the following are sections included in the Georgia state constitution EXCEPT

- A. Amendments.
 - B. Bill of Rights.
 - C. Court Case Summaries.
 - D. Voting and Elections.
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6.

Although the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Georgia have the same qualifications for election,

- A. the Governor serves as Speaker of the House.
 - B. the Lieutenant Governor serves as President of the Senate.
 - C. the Senate must approve the successor to the office of Governor by a two-thirds majority vote.
 - D. persons holding the office of Lieutenant Governor may succeed themselves, while the Governor cannot.
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Pre Test 1 (1pretest)

7. How can the General Assembly pass a bill over a governor's veto?

- A. Both houses can override the veto with a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority.
 - B. They can get the approval of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the state's counties.
 - C. A joint committee can vote for the bill with a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority.
 - D. The bill can be sent to the Georgia Supreme Court for a ruling.
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8. Who has the power in Georgia's state government to declare a law unconstitutional?

- A. Georgia's governor
 - B. Supreme Court of Georgia
 - C. general assembly of Georgia
 - D. Georgia's representatives
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9.

In the judicial system, appellate jurisdiction is the authority of a court to hear a case appealed from a lower court. In the Georgia judicial system, the court MOST LIKELY to hear an appeal from the Juvenile Court is the

- A. Probate Court.
 - B. Superior Court.
 - C. Appeals Court.
 - D. Supreme Court.
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10. Why were counties originally created in Georgia?

- A. to provide one certain special service not provided by cities
 - B. to serve as districts for carrying out state laws and programs
 - C. to collect taxes and finance local government
 - D. to be responsible for education across the state
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11.

Malia writes a letter to the editor of her local newspaper, expressing her opinion on proposed legislation. Based on the rights guaranteed by the Georgia constitution, Malia is exercising her

- A. freedom of conscience.
 - B. right to keep and bear arms.
 - C. right to assemble and petition.
 - D. freedom of speech and of the press.
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12.

Dan is 19 years old and wants to register to vote. He must also meet all of the following requirements EXCEPT

- A. be a legal resident of Georgia.
 - B. have a Georgia driver's license.
 - C. be a citizen of the United States.
 - D. cannot be serving a felony conviction.
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13. What is the most important reason citizens should serve on jury duty and vote in elections?

- A. All citizens are required to participate.
 - B. It is one's civic duty as a responsible citizen.
 - C. Those who do serve on jury duty and vote receive a tax deduction.
 - D. These are the only opportunities citizens have to serve the government.
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14.

Which of these lists the correct order of the legislative process for a bill to become a law in Georgia?

- A. proposal, floor action, committee action, conference, passage, action by governor
 - B. proposal, committee action, floor action, conference, passage, action by governor
 - C. proposal, action by governor, floor action, committee action, conference, passage
 - D. proposal, action by governor, committee action, floor action, conference, passage
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15.

The privilege of Georgia citizenship brings with it certain responsibilities, of which some are legal, and others are voluntary. An example of a voluntary responsibility is

- A. obeying laws.
 - B. paying taxes.
 - C. serving on a jury.
 - D. registering to vote.
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16.

People form political parties in order to

- A. be qualified to run for political office.
 - B. be allowed to vote in popular elections.
 - C. elect candidates to serve in government.
 - D. associate with voters with shared interests.
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17. Which of the following is an example of how the system of checks and balances works in Georgia?

- A. reducing property taxes
 - B. overriding a governor's veto
 - C. signing a petition to repeal a law
 - D. appealing a case to a higher court
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18.

Which of these is required to be a state court judge in Georgia?

- A. Candidates must be at least thirty-five years old.
 - B. Candidates must be elected in countywide elections.
 - C. Candidates must have practiced law in another state.
 - D. Candidates must have been born in the state of Georgia.
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Pre Test 1 (1pretest)

19. Which general statement is true about political parties in Georgia over the past fifty years?

- A. Georgia has been dominated by three parties.
 - B. Georgia has been dominated by the Republican Party.
 - C. Georgia has changed from a one-party system to a two-party system.
 - D. Georgia has changed from being a two-party system to a one-party system.
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20. The General Assembly in Georgia passes laws, the Georgia courts declare laws unconstitutional, and the governor vetoes laws. This is an example of

- A. political reform.
 - B. partisan politics.
 - C. checks and balances.
 - D. federal regulations.
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21. The main governmental authorities in the counties of Georgia are

- A. mayors.
- B. sheriffs.
- C. magistrates.
- D. commissioners.

Answer Key

1. A) a basic duty of a citizen.
2. B) the county commissioner
3. B) implement council policy.
4. B) to ensure that no branch of government becomes too powerful
5. C) Court Case Summaries.
6. B) the Lieutenant Governor serves as President of the Senate.
7. A) Both houses can override the veto with a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority.
8. B) Supreme Court of Georgia
9. C) Appeals Court.
10. B) to serve as districts for carrying out state laws and programs
11. D) freedom of speech and of the press.
12. B) have a Georgia driver's license.
13. B) It is one's civic duty as a responsible citizen.
14. B) proposal, committee action, floor action, conference, passage, action by governor
15. D) registering to vote.
16. D) associate with voters with shared interests.
17. B) overriding a governor's veto
18. B) Candidates must be elected in countywide elections.
19. C) Georgia has changed from a one-party system to a two-party system.
20. C) checks and balances.
21. D) commissioners.