

Exercise 2: The History of Our Flag

Directions: Select the correct answer to the following questions.

1. Congress passed a law in ____ returning the flag back to its original design of 13 stripes, fearing that too many stripes would spoil the true design of the flag.
a. 1794 b. 1818 c. 1912 d. 1959
2. The last star added to the U.S. flag represents the state of ____, which was admitted to the Union in ____.
a. Alaska – 1959 b. Alaska – 1960 c. Hawaii – 1960 d. Hawaii - 1959
3. The first two stars and stripes added to the original U.S. flag took place in ____ to add the states of ____ and ____.
a. 1777, Delaware, Pennsylvania
b. 1779, Tennessee, Ohio
c. 1794, Vermont, Kentucky
d. 1818, Illinois, Alabama
4. Flag Day is celebrated on _____ to commemorate the creation of the first Stars and Stripes flag by the Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1777.
a. July 1 b. May 30 c. June 14 d. June 16
5. From the days of Betsy Ross in 1777 to Flag Day in 1996, the U.S. flag that has flown as the banner of this nation for the longest period of time is the one with _____ stars.
a. 50 b. 48 c. 15 d. 13