



16th Amendment to the United States Constitution Explained - Quiz

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Q1. When was the 16th Amendment ratified?

- A. February 3, 1913
- B. July 4, 1776
- C. December 7, 1941
- D. January 1, 1900

Q2. What did the 16th Amendment grant Congress the authority to do?

- A. Impose taxes on all forms of income
- B. Declare war
- C. Regulate interstate commerce
- D. Abolish slavery

Q3. What was the federal government's most significant source of revenue after the 16th Amendment?

- A. Income tax
- B. Excises
- C. Duties
- D. Imports

Q4. Which Supreme Court ruling did the 16th Amendment change?

- A. 1895 ruling against federal income tax
- B. 1954 Brown v. Board of Education
- C. 1973 Roe v. Wade
- D. 1803 Marbury v. Madison

Q5. Which state was the first to ratify the 16th Amendment?

- A. Alabama
- B. New York
- C. California
- D. Texas

Q6. What was the highest tax rate in the first permanent income tax of 1913?

- A. 6 percent
- B. 1 percent
- C. 10 percent
- D. 15 percent

Q7. How much did the federal government raise in 1913 from income tax?

- A. \$28.3 million
- B. \$100 million
- C. \$1 billion
- D. \$5 million

Q8. What was the purpose of the federal income tax before the 16th Amendment?

- A. Fund the Civil War
- B. Build highways
- C. Fund public schools
- D. Pay off national debt

Q9. Who challenged Congress in the Supreme Court in 1894 over federal income tax?

- A. Charles Pollock
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. Theodore Roosevelt
- D. John D. Rockefeller

Q10. Which regions primarily supported the 16th Amendment?

- A. West and South
- B. North and East
- C. Midwest and Northeast
- D. All regions equally

Answer Key

1. Q1: A
2. Q2: A
3. Q3: A
4. Q4: A
5. Q5: A
6. Q6: A
7. Q7: A
8. Q8: A
9. Q9: A
10. Q10: A