



20th Amendment Summary - Quiz

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Q1. When was the 20th Amendment ratified?

- A. January 23, 1933
- B. March 4, 1932
- C. December 15, 1932
- D. October 15, 1933

Q2. What does Section 1 of the 20th Amendment change?

- A. The date for presidential inauguration from March 4 to January 20
- B. The date for congressional sessions from January to December
- C. The process for electing the Vice President
- D. The term length of Senators

Q3. According to Section 2, when must Congress assemble each year?

- A. At least once a year, starting January 3
- B. Twice a year, starting in December
- C. Every six months
- D. Only when called by the President

Q4. What happens if the President-elect dies before taking office, according to Section 3?

- A. The Vice President-elect becomes President
- B. A new election is held immediately
- C. The Speaker of the House becomes President
- D. The previous President remains in office

Q5. What is the purpose of Section 4 of the 20th Amendment?

- A. To authorize Congress to enact procedures for selecting the President and Vice President in case of death
- B. To change the date of congressional sessions
- C. To extend the term of the President
- D. To abolish the Electoral College

Q6. When did Sections 1 and 2 of the 20th Amendment take effect?

- A. On the 15th day of October following ratification
- B. Immediately upon ratification
- C. On January 20, 1933
- D. After seven years

Q7. What was required for the 20th Amendment to become law, according to Section 6?

- A. Ratification by three-fourths of state legislatures within seven years
- B. Approval by the President
- C. A majority vote in Congress
- D. Ratification by all states

Q8. Which branch of government does the 20th Amendment primarily affect?

- A. Both executive and legislative branches
- B. Only the judicial branch
- C. Only the executive branch
- D. Only the legislative branch

Q9. What problem did the 20th Amendment seek to address?

- A. The long delay between election and inauguration
- B. The lack of term limits for Congress
- C. The process of amending the Constitution
- D. The selection of Supreme Court justices

Q10. Which section of the 20th Amendment deals with the line of succession for the presidency?

- A. Section 3
- B. Section 1
- C. Section 5
- D. Section 6

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