

## What Are Swing States? - Quiz

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#### Q1. How is the president of the United States elected?

- A. By direct popular vote
- B. By the Electoral College
- C. By a vote in Congress
- D. By a vote in the Senate

#### Q2. How many Electoral College votes is each state guaranteed?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

#### Q3. What are swing states?

- A. States that always vote Republican
- B. States that always vote Democratic
- C. States that can shift between political parties
- D. States with the largest populations

#### Q4. Which election was one of the closest in US history?

- A. 1964
- B. 1960
- C. 1972
- D. 2000

# Q5. Which state has been the most important swing state in the 21st century?

- A. Ohio
- B. Florida
- C. Texas
- D. California

### Q6. What is required to amend the United States Constitution?

- A. Approval by the President
- B. Approval by half of state legislatures
- C. Approval by three-fourths of state legislatures
- D. Approval by the Supreme Court

# Q7. Which state is known as a key barometer for a candidate's strength in the Midwest?

- A. Michigan
- B. Ohio
- C. Pennsylvania
- D. Wisconsin

## Q8. Which election saw the Republican Party break through the Democratic 'blue wall'?

- A. 2008
- B. 2012
- C. 2016
- D. 2020

#### Q9. Which of the following states is NOT part of the 'blue wall'?

- A. Michigan
- B. Pennsylvania
- C. Wisconsin
- D. Ohio

### Q10. What has been a recent trend in Florida's voting behavior?

- A. Shifting to the left
- B. Shifting to the right
- C. Remaining neutral
- D. Becoming a safe Democratic state

### **Answer Key**

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