

What Is a Limited Government? - Quiz

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Q1. What is a limited government?

- A. A government with no restrictions on its power
- B. A government with limitations imposed to prevent it from becoming too powerful
- C. A government ruled by a single leader
- D. A government that controls all aspects of citizens' lives

Q2. What is the alternative to a limited government?

- A. Democratic government
- B. Authoritarian government
- C. Socialist government
- D. Communist government

Q3. Which document was the first to create a limited government approach?

- A. The US Constitution
- B. The Bill of Rights
- C. The Magna Carta
- D. The Articles of Confederation

Q4. What role does the US Constitution play in limiting government power?

- A. It grants unlimited power to the President
- B. It outlines the powers and limitations of the government
- C. It allows the government to override state laws
- D. It eliminates the need for checks and balances

Q5. What is the 'elastic clause' in the US Constitution?

- A. A clause that allows Congress to stretch its powers when necessary and proper
- B. A clause that limits the President's power
- C. A clause that gives states unlimited power
- D. A clause that removes judicial review

Q6. How does the system of checks and balances help limit government power?

- A. By giving all power to the President
- B. By ensuring no single branch of government has more power than another
- C. By allowing states to override federal laws
- D. By eliminating the need for a constitution

Q7. What can the President NOT do without approval from Congress?

- A. Appoint judges
- B. Veto laws
- C. Declare war
- D. Issue presidential pardons

Q8. What does the 10th Amendment to the US Constitution state?

- A. All powers belong to the federal government
- B. Any power not listed in the Constitution belongs to the states or the people
- C. The President has ultimate authority
- D. Congress can override state laws

Q9. What is the Bill of Rights?

- A. A list of powers granted to the federal government
- B. The first 10 amendments to the US Constitution, focusing on citizens' rights
- C. A document that outlines the President's duties
- D. A set of rules for state governments

Q10. Why is the limited government approach important in the United States?

- A. It allows the President to act without restrictions
- B. It prevents the government from violating citizens' rights and abusing power
- C. It gives states complete control over federal laws
- D. It eliminates the need for elections

Answer Key

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