



What is the Watergate Scandal? - Quiz

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Q1. What was the Watergate scandal primarily about?

- A. A break-in at the Democratic National Committee headquarters
- B. A financial fraud scheme involving Nixon's campaign
- C. A scandal involving Nixon's personal taxes
- D. A dispute between Nixon and the CIA

Q2. Who was Deep Throat?

- A. A reporter for the Washington Post
- B. A member of Nixon's administration
- C. An anonymous whistleblower who helped uncover the scandal
- D. One of the burglars involved in the break-in

Q3. What was the 'Smoking Gun Tape'?

- A. A recording of Nixon admitting to the break-in
- B. A tape of Nixon discussing the cover-up of the scandal
- C. A recording of Nixon resigning
- D. A tape of Nixon meeting with the burglars

Q4. Why did Nixon resign?

- A. He was impeached by Congress
- B. He lost the election
- C. To avoid impeachment and criminal charges
- D. He was pressured by his party

Q5. Who pardoned Richard Nixon?

- A. Gerald Ford
- B. Jimmy Carter
- C. Ronald Reagan
- D. The Supreme Court

Q6. What was the Committee to Re-elect the President involved in?

- A. Organizing campaign rallies
- B. Fundraising for Nixon's campaign
- C. Ordering the break-in at the Watergate complex
- D. Negotiating peace in Vietnam

Q7. Which newspaper played a key role in uncovering the Watergate scandal?

- A. The New York Times
- B. The Washington Post
- C. The Los Angeles Times
- D. The Chicago Tribune

Q8. What was the main reason Nixon's team ordered the break-in?

- A. To steal campaign funds
- B. To spy on the Democratic campaign
- C. To plant false evidence
- D. To intimidate Democratic leaders

Q9. What did Nixon claim in his famous 'I am not a crook' speech?

- A. He admitted to the break-in
- B. He denied any involvement in the scandal
- C. He announced his resignation
- D. He accused the Democrats of framing him

Q10. What is the legacy of the Watergate scandal?

- A. It led to stricter campaign finance laws
- B. It became a symbol of political corruption
- C. It resulted in the abolition of the FBI
- D. It caused Nixon to be imprisoned

Answer Key

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