



Who Can Declare War? - Quiz

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Q1. Which part of the U.S. Constitution grants Congress the power to declare war?

- A. Article I, Section 8
- B. Article II, Section 1
- C. The Preamble
- D. The Bill of Rights

Q2. How many times has the U.S. formally declared war?

- A. 5 times
- B. 11 times
- C. 20 times
- D. 8 times

Q3. What was the most recent year the U.S. formally declared war?

- A. 1942
- B. 2001
- C. 1917
- D. 2003

Q4. Which U.S. President invoked the War Powers Resolution of 1973?

- A. Richard Nixon
- B. George W. Bush
- C. Barack Obama
- D. Donald Trump

Q5. What is required for a declaration of war to be approved?

- A. Unanimous vote in Congress
- B. Majority vote in Congress
- C. Approval by the Supreme Court
- D. A public referendum

Q6. Which war was initiated by a declaration of war in 1812?

- A. Mexican-American War
- B. War of 1812
- C. Spanish-American War
- D. Civil War

Q7. What is the difference between a declaration of war and an authorization of military force?

- A. The President gains special powers in a declaration of war
- B. There is no difference
- C. Authorization of military force requires a public vote
- D. Only Congress can authorize military force

Q8. Which event led to the 2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force?

- A. The Gulf War
- B. The 9/11 attacks
- C. The Vietnam War
- D. The Cuban Missile Crisis

Q9. Who was the only Representative to vote against declaring war on Japan in 1941?

- A. Jeanette Rankin
- B. Meyer London
- C. Nancy Pelosi
- D. John Lewis

Q10. What was the outcome of the 2002 authorization to use military force in Iraq?

- A. It was repealed in 2023
- B. It is still active today
- C. It was never signed into law
- D. It led to an immediate declaration of war

Answer Key

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