



Why was the Electoral College Established? - Quiz

To view the article that this quiz is based on, please go to:

<https://constitutionus.com/constitution/5-key-reasons-why-the-electoral-college-was-established/>

Q1. How many electors are in the present format of the Electoral College?

- A. 435
- B. 538
- C. 270
- D. 100

Q2. What is the minimum number of electoral votes required to win the presidency?

- A. 270
- B. 538
- C. 435
- D. 50% of the total votes

Q3. Which of the following is a reason for the formation of the Electoral College?

- A. To guarantee the rights of the minority
- B. To ensure a direct popular vote
- C. To eliminate the two-party system
- D. To reduce the number of electors

Q4. In which election did Donald Trump lose the popular vote but win the Electoral College?

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

Q5. What percentage of the majority vote did Bill Clinton secure in the 1992 election?

- A. 49.2%
- B. 50%
- C. 43%
- D. 55%

Q6. What is one argument against abolishing the Electoral College?

- A. It would make elections less expensive
- B. It would simplify the voting process
- C. It would lead to more nationwide recounts
- D. It would make US presidential elections extremely expensive

Q7. What is the threshold for an automatic recount in a US presidential election?

- A. 0.5% and below
- B. 1% and below
- C. 2% and below
- D. 5% and below

Q8. How does the Electoral College benefit candidates during campaigns?

- A. By requiring them to campaign in every state equally
- B. By allowing them to focus on swing states
- C. By eliminating the need for fundraising
- D. By reducing the number of debates

Q9. Which of the following is NOT a reason for the formation of the Electoral College?

- A. To eliminate the need for a 50% vote majority
- B. To make the US a two-party system
- C. To ensure a direct popular vote
- D. To eliminate the potential of a nationwide recount

Q10. What is the main purpose of the Electoral College according to the article?

- A. To ensure the president is elected by Congress
- B. To provide a compromise between popular vote and congressional appointment
- C. To eliminate all minority representation
- D. To make elections more expensive

Answer Key

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