

Form N-500 Application for Naturalization

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security



Hello future citizens, and welcome to the United States of America! By this point, the friendly Homeland Security agents have no doubt poked, prodded, and deloused you in the Immigrant Welcome Center. I apologize for any inconvenience, but as we in America say, "Better safe than sorry"; or, "What? You have scrofula? Back to the Old Country with you!"

So to you who are reading this, I offer my congratulations! You have at least a sixth-grade education and possess the majority of your teeth and/or limbs. Now you must merely fill out the form below and answer a number of trivial questions on American government, history, and culture—and the next thing you know, you'll be whistling Dixie! (Figuratively speaking, of course; all forms of whistling, chanting, and yelping are prohibited in the Welcome Center). To conclude, I wish the best of luck to all test takers and hope to see most of you on the other side of the barbed wire. And for those unfortunates who don't pass—well, there's always Canada.

Best, Tom Ridge, Director, Department of Homeland Security

P.S. One more thing: will all enemy combatants please identify themselves to the friendly U.S. marshals located at the entrance to the center? You will be taken to our facility at Guantánomo Bay for indefinite deten—I mean...candy.

Name: _____

(note: if your name contains no vowels or the following diacritical marks—tilde (ñ), umlaut (ü), or haček (č)—please modify it appropriately to suit American sensibilities):

Race: () desirable () undesirable () Irish

Sex: () M () F () tranny

Occupation: () day laborer () line chef
() cabbie () numbers guy

Native Tongue: () English () Spanish
() Asian () other

Are you a terrorist? () Yes () No

Are you my mother? () Yes () No

If you are a terrorist OR my mother, which of the following sites do you plan to attack? () bridges and dams () national monuments/cultural venues () nuclear power plants () The Gap

Please declare any of the following:

() firearms () foreign flora () specie over U.S. \$10,000 () your love for me

Now on the count of three—Go!

1. What is the most important right guaranteed to an American citizen?

- a. the right to party
- b. the right to bear arms/children
- c. the right to vote for one of two similar political parties
- d. the right to childhood obesity

2. What type of government does the United States have?

- a. democracy
- b. aristocracy
- c. timocracy
- d. ochlocracy
- e. School of Rock-cracy

3. Between which two groups of people was the first Thanksgiving celebrated?

- a. Jews and Nazis
- b. Jetsons and Flintstones
- c. Jeffersons and Bunkers
- d. Indians and Pakistanis

4. What is the basic belief of the Declaration of Independence?

- a. all property-owning, educated, white males are created equal
- b. black people are 3/5 as good as everybody else
- c. something about taxes, tea?
- d. women do not, in fact, exist

5. Who elects the president?

- a. the Jewish media conspiracy
- b. special interest groups
- c. "y" moneyed Freeholders of Character proven and True"
- d. five justices of the Supreme Court

6. Who was the ruling monarch of England when the United States declared its independence?

- a. King George III
- b. King Kong III
- c. Elvis (The King)
- d. Queen Latifah

7. What is the National Anthem?

- a. Big Willy Style
- b. The Star-Spangled Banner
- c. Livin' La Vida Loca
- d. O, Canada

8. Whose rights are NOT guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and U.S. Constitution?

- a. enemy combatants
- b. illegal aliens
- c. space aliens
- d. yours

9. Which of the following make better drivers?

- a. men
- b. bats
- c. women
- d. mayonnaise

10. Select your favorite third party:

- a. the Bull Moose Party
- b. the Cow Reindeer Party
- c. the Anti-Masonic Party
- d. Ross Perot and his Merry Men
- e. the Confederacy

11. What do the stars on the American flag symbolize?

- a. the constellation America
- b. the states of the Union
- c. the number of Jews who control the liberal media
- d. the number of people executed in Texas last Thursday

12. Which of the following protagonists from various American cinema classics is NOT an animated animal?

- a. Fievel
- b. Bambi
- c. Little Foot
- d. Rudy

13. Which famous quotation is attributed to orator Patrick Henry?

- a. "Give me liberty or give me death!"
- b. "If the glove don't fit, you must acquit."
- c. "Pork: it's the other white meat."
- d. "Oops, I did it again."

14. The Teapot Dome Scandal refers to:

- a. an oil reserve scandal in the Harding administration precipitated by U.S. Interior Secretary Albert B. Fall.
- b. the demand of French foreign minister Talleyrand that the U.S. pay \$250,000 before official negotiations might ensue between the two nations.
- c. the pro-slavery constitution rejected by free-state men in "Bleeding Kansas" in 1857.
- d. the seamy affair between Lumiere the Candlestick and Mrs. Potts.

15. Who's the best?

- a. the United States