Ch. 6 Study Guide – American Government

Disenfranchised Suffrage Electorate 19th Amendment Alien

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1. Which voting requirement was the first to be eliminated?
2. What is a reason why states have voter registration?
3. What are preclearance requirements supposed to prevent?
4. What is a truth about the millions of Americans that don’t vote?
5. Give an example of political socialization?
6. What is true about the history of American suffrage since 1789?
7. What was the largest group of disenfranchised citizens in the 1920s despite the 15th Amendment?
8. The south used literacy tests to make it so African Americans couldn’t vote. The problem was that some white males couldn’t then vote either. What did the states do to make sure white males could vote?
9. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 did what?
10. Which group of people tend to cast the most votes?
11. What is a statement that you’re likely to hear from a person who doesn’t have political efficacy?
12. What describes typical independent voters?
13. What correctly describes the only group allowed to vote in 1789?
14. The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights was set up by which act of Congress?
15. Why did the voting rights act of 1965 require preclearance?
16. Which restriction on the right to vote was first eliminated?
17. What was the main criticism of the registration requirement for voting?
18. Since 1789, what has the history of American suffrage been characterized by?
19. According to the 26th Amendment, why can no state deny a person the right to vote?
20. What was the main purpose of the first literacy qualifications for voting?
21. Why did a large number of African Americans in the South remain excluded from the electoral process even after the federal courts struck down the practices that kept them from voting?
22. What permanently banned literacy tests as a qualification from voting?
23. Who would be characterized as a “cannot-voter”?
24. What did the most recent expansion of the electorate involve?
25. What allows new voters more time to become familiar with local candidates and issues?
26. What voter is most likely to practice split-ticket voting?