

Democracy by the Numbers

Answer Key

DEMOCRACY BY THE NUMBERS ACTIVITY

13	ended slavery	gave Congress the right make and enforce laws over an issue previously left to the states
14	granted citizenship to former slaves born in the U.S. and provided for equal protection under the law	the law was aimed at former slaves, but Jim Crow laws kept it from it from taking its full effect; legislation in the 50's and 60's brought the amendment into its full effect
15	African Americans are granted the right to vote	southern states quickly enacted legislation that created barriers to voting, but civil rights and voting rights acts of the 1960's brought the amendment into full effect
17	allowed for the direct election of Senators by the people of the states they represent	state legislatures lost this power which reduced corruption and increased the constitutional principles of popular sovereignty and republicanism
19	Women are given the right to vote	Women are allowed to vote in state and national elections and the principles of popular sovereignty is broadened
24	the poll tax was abolished	poor people are now able to vote; the poll tax was created as a barrier to voting and aimed largely at African Americans
26 th	18 year olds are allowed to vote	young people become part of the political process strengthening popular sovereignty
CRA 1964	Passed by Congress to prohibit racial discrimination in public places and in the work place	African American were the focus of this legislation, but later cases involving other racial and ethnic groups would be argued under this laws
Voting Rights Act of 1965	Outlawed literacy tests and other barriers to voting and allowed federal government oversight in districts where less than 50% of the African American population was registered to vote	Almost immediately more African Americans were registered to vote and allowed to participate in the election process

DEMOCRACY BY THE NUMBERS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

5. twenty-six
7. nineteen
8. thirteen
9. civilrightsact

DOWN

1. fourteen
2. votingrights
3. seventeen
4. fifteen
6. twentyfour

DEMOCRACY BY THE NUMBERS CHECK-UP QUIZ

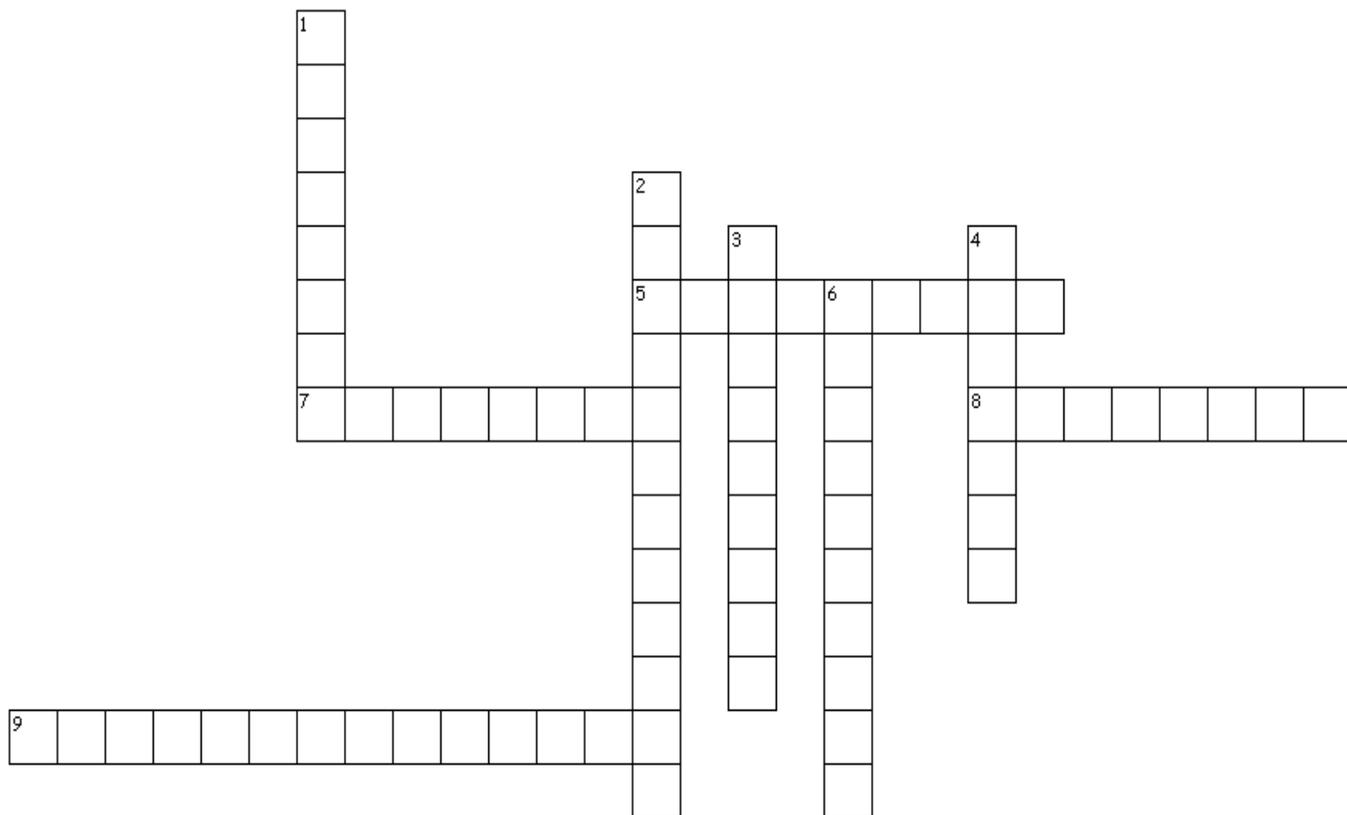
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2. C 5. C
3. A 6. B

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Law or Amendment	Short description	Effect*
13 th Amendment		
14 th Amendment		
15 th Amendment		
17 th Amendment		
19 th Amendment		
24 th Amendment		
26 th Amendment		
Civil Rights Act of 1964		
Voting Rights Act of 1965		

When describing the effect of an amendment or other voting rights act, consider who was immediately impacted by the new legislation and how democracy was expanded as a result of the legislation. Your responses should answer the question: **As a result of the legislation, who was able to participate in the democratic process that was not able to before it was passed?*

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Across

5. Allows 18-year-olds to vote
7. Ensures that sex (gender) may not be used as a criteria for voting
8. This abolished slavery in the United States
9. Passed in 1964, this act outlawed discrimination in public places and require employers to provide equal employment opportunities

Down

1. Extended the rights of citizenship to former slaves at both the federal and state levels
2. act Passed in 1965, this outlaws the use of literacy tests and other voting practices intended to place limits on who would be allowed to vote
3. Allowed for the direct election of senators to the United States Senate
4. Insured that race could not be used as criteria for voting
6. Abolished the poll tax in federal elections

9 of 9 words were placed into the puzzle.

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