



Do You Know Oregon Civics?

1. How many branches of state government were established by the Oregon Constitution?
2. What are the names of the branches of state government?
3. What does each branch do?
4. How many statewide elected officers were established by the original Oregon Constitution?
5. Why do you think the framers of the Constitution established these different statewide offices?
6. The Oregon Constitution establishes a state Senate with how many members?

7. The Oregon Constitution establishes a state House of Representatives with how many members?

8. How does the size of the Oregon Legislature established by the Oregon Constitution compare to other states and to the U.S. Congress?

9. How do you think the size of the Oregon Legislature affects how the members of the Legislature work together?

10. Where did the Constitution set the location of the state capital?

11. Does the Oregon Constitution have its own Bill of Rights?

12. How is it similar and how different, than the Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution?

13. The Oregon Constitution was written in 1857, just before the start of the Civil War. How was the issue of slavery and African-American migration to Oregon addressed by the framers of Oregon's Constitution?

14. What progress has Oregon made on the issue of civil rights over the more than 150 years since the Constitution was adopted?

15. What is the initiative and referendum system in Oregon?

16. When was the initiative and referendum system added to the Oregon Constitution and why?
