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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.L1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Low |
| Item | Which is a requirement for a person to become a naturalized U.S. citizen? |
| A | Marrying a U.S. citizen and having a child with that person. |
| B | Being a legal resident of the U.S. for at least five years. |
| C | Gaining employment in the U.S. for at least five years. |
| D | Reaching age eighteen while living in the U.S. capital. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.L1 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Low | |
| Item | Which is a requirement for a person to become a naturalized U.S. citizen? | |
| A | Marrying a U.S. citizen and having a child with that person. | **Incorrect**-Marrying a U.S. citizen is not among the requirements for becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen. Many persons immigrate to the United States already married to U.S. citizens or married to non-citizens. |
| B | Being a legal resident of the U.S. for at least five years. | ***Correct***-One must be a legal resident for at least five years is one of several requirements for naturalization in the United States. |
| C | Gaining employment in the U.S. for at least five years. | **Incorrect**-One must not be employed in the United States for at least five years to become naturalized. There are persons eligible for naturalization who are unable to work, such as young children and the elderly. |
| D | Reaching age eighteen while living in the U.S. capital. | **Incorrect**-Once an immigrant is a legal resident of the United States they are not required to live in any specific place in order to fulfill the residency requirement for naturalization. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
| Item | The events below describe the use of a government document.  ---------------------------  Laura was born in France and lived in France until she immigrated to the U.S. at age 21. At age 25, Laura visited Morocco on vacation.  ---------------------------  Why did Laura use a U.S. passport to travel? |
| A | Laura was a resident alien of the U.S. |
| B | Laura was a resident national of the U.S. |
| C | Laura was a U.S. citizen by the law of soil. |
| D | Laura was a U.S. citizen by the law of blood. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M1 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
| Item | The events below describe the use of a government document.  ---------------------------  Laura was born in France and lived in France until she immigrated to the U.S. at age 21. At age 25, Laura visited Morocco on vacation.  ---------------------------  Why did Laura use a U.S. passport to travel? | |
| A | Laura was a resident alien of the U.S. | **Incorrect**-Resident aliens are not eligible to carry U.S. passports which are limited to U.S. citizens. |
| B | Laura was a resident national of the U.S. | **Incorrect**-Resident nationals are not eligible to carry U.S. passports which are limited to U.S. citizens. |
| C | Laura was a U.S. citizen by the law of soil. | **Incorrect**-Laura was born in France; one cannot be a natural born citizen by the “law of soil” if they are not married in the United States (including U.S. military bases, U.S. territories, and even U.S. airspace). |
| D | Laura was a U.S. citizen by the law of blood. | ***Correct***-In order to carry a U.S. passport, Laura must be a citizen. It does not say she was naturalized. We can conclude then that she has at least one U.S. born parent, so the condition of natural born citizenship around the “law of blood” applies. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M2 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
| Item | The passage below describes a court decision.  The Burlingame Treaty (1870) allowed the U.S. to deny citizenship to persons born in the U.S. whose parents were born outside the U.S. The U.S. Supreme Court granted writ of certiorari to a case challenging the constitutionality of the treaty.  How did the court apply the 14th Amendment to decide this case? |
| A | To deny a native person citizenship rights does not support constitutional principles. |
| B | A naturalized citizen possesses all the rights of a native citizen according to the Constitution. |
| C | Persons born outside the U.S. are not permitted to pursue citizenship because they are unemployed. |
| D | Persons born outside the U.S. are not permitted to pursue citizenship because they do not own property. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M2 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
| Item | The passage below describes a court decision.  The Burlingame Treaty (1870) allowed the U.S. to deny citizenship to persons born in the U.S. whose parents were born outside the U.S. The U.S. Supreme Court granted writ of certiorari to a case challenging the constitutionality of the treaty.  How did the court apply the 14th Amendment to decide this case? | |
| A | To deny a native person citizenship rights does not support constitutional principles. | ***Correct***- The 14th Amendment identifies that U.S. citizens include those who are born or in the United States. The citizenship of one’s parents is not a consideration. |
| B | A naturalized citizen possesses all the rights of a native citizen according to the Constitution. | **Incorrect**-The 14th Amendment identifies that U.S. citizens including those who are born or naturalized in the United States. The focus of the case is on whether a person born in the U.S. is a citizen. |
| C | Persons born outside the U.S. are not permitted to pursue citizenship because they are unemployed. | **Incorrect**-The 14th Amendment does not include any focus on employment requirements or rights as they apply to citizenship. |
| D | Persons born outside the U.S. are not permitted to pursue citizenship because they do not own property. | **Incorrect**-The 14th Amendment does not include any focus on property requirements as they apply to citizenship. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M3 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
| Item | Below is a table of the four most populated states in the United States.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **State** | **% of Naturalized Citizens**  **from State’s Immigrant Population** | | California | 46% | | Florida | 49% | | New York | 52% | | Texas | 32% |   Source: Immigration Policy Center  How might these populations affect political campaigns? |
| A | Candidates for governor will campaign for immigration reform in Texas. |
| B | Candidates for president will campaign for immigration reform in Florida. |
| C | Candidates for governor will campaign for naturalization reform in California. |
| D | Candidates for president will campaign for naturalization reform in New York. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.M3 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
| Item | Below is a table of the four most populated states in the United States.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **State** | **% of Naturalized Citizens**  **from State’s Immigrant Population** | | California | 46% | | Florida | 49% | | New York | 52% | | Texas | 32% |   Source: Immigration Policy Center  How might these populations affect political campaigns? | |
| A | Candidates for governor will campaign for immigration reform in Texas. | **Incorrect**-Naturalization policy is a focus of the federal government and not the state governments. |
| B | Candidates for president will campaign for immigration reform in Florida. | **Incorrect**-Less than half the state’s immigrant population becomes naturalized U.S. citizens. |
| C | Candidates for governor will campaign for naturalization reform in California. | **Incorrect**-Naturalization policy is a focus of the federal government and not the state governments. |
| D | Candidates for president will campaign for naturalization reform in New York. | ***Correct***-The percentage of immigrants to New York who become naturalized is the highest among these four states, and is more than half. Newly naturalized citizens would most likely support presidents seeking to reform naturalization policy. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.H1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 |
| Cognitive Complexity | High |
| Item | The table below describes permanent resident status.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Year** | **Number of Persons Obtaining**  **Permanent Resident Status in the U.S.** | | 2005 | 1,122,257 | | 2007 | 1,052,415 | | 2009 | 1,130,818 | | 2011 | 1,062,040 |   Source: 2011Yearbook of Immigration Statistics (Table 1)  Based on the table, what could be predicted about the impact of permanent residents on government? |
| A | The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of soil would decline. |
| B | The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of blood would increase. |
| C | The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for Congress. |
| D | The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for governor. |

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| Bank Item Number | G.C.2.1.H1 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.2.1 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | High | |
| Item | The table below describes permanent resident status.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Year** | **Number of Persons Obtaining**  **Permanent Resident Status in the U.S.** | | 2005 | 1,122,257 | | 2007 | 1,052,415 | | 2009 | 1,130,818 | | 2011 | 1,062,040 |   Source: 2011Yearbook of Immigration Statistics (Table 1)  Based on the table, what could be predicted about the impact of permanent residents on government? | |
| A | The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of soil would decline. | **Incorrect**-The law of soil applies only to natural born U.S. citizens born in the United States. |
| B | The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of blood would increase. | **Incorrect**-The law of blood applies only to natural born U.S. citizens born to a U.S. citizen parent. |
| C | The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for Congress. | ***Correct***-Article I of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress the power to make naturalization policy. The viewpoints of those elected to Congress will be reflected in lawmaking. |
| D | The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for governor. | **Incorrect**-Article I of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress the power to make naturalization policy, and not the states. |