

### SS.7.C.2.1 Low Level of Complexity Assessment Item Explanation

Question	Which is a requirement for a person to become a naturalized U.S. citizen?	<p>The question asks about requirements of the naturalization process.</p> <p>The correct answer will be one of those requirements.</p>
A	passing a U.S. history and government exam	<b>Correct</b> – The required test in the naturalization process is based on U.S. history and government.
B	working in the U.S. for at least five years	<b>Incorrect</b> – Five years working is not a required part of the naturalization process.
C	being born to American parents	<b>Incorrect</b> – A person born to two American parents is a U.S. citizen by blood. A U.S. citizen by blood does not need to complete the naturalization process.
D	serving in the U.S. military	<b>Incorrect</b> – Military service is not a requirement to become a naturalized U.S. citizen.



## SS.7.C.2.1 Moderate Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The diagram below shows some general eligibility requirements.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <pre> graph TD     A((Read, write, and speak English)) --&gt; B[Eligibility Requirements for ?]     C((Be of good moral character)) --&gt; B     D((Possess basic knowledge of U.S. history and government)) --&gt; B             </pre> </div> <p>Which statement completes the diagram?</p>		<p>The diagram illustrates three eligibility requirements for an unnamed legal group.</p> <p>The correct answer will replace the question mark.</p>
A	joining a military service	<b>Incorrect</b> – One does not have to possess basic knowledge of U.S. history and government in order to join a military service.	
B	obtaining a driver’s license	<b>Incorrect</b> – One does not have to possess basic knowledge of U.S. history and government in order to get a driver’s license.	
C	becoming a naturalized citizen	<b>Correct</b> – The three eligibility requirements must be met in order to become a naturalized citizen.	
D	receiving a social security card	<b>Incorrect</b> – One does not have to possess basic knowledge of U.S. history and government in order to receive a social security card.	



## SS.7.C.2.1 High Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The table below describes permanent resident status.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Year</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Number of Persons Obtaining Permanent Resident Status in the U.S.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2005</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1,122,257</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2007</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1,052,415</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2009</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1,130,818</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2011</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1,062,040</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Source: 2011 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics (Table 1)</p> <p>Based on the table, what could be predicted about the impact of permanent residents on government?</p>		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	<p>Students should know what permanent resident status means and the impact of permanent resident status on government.</p> <p>The correct answer includes a federal concern about naturalization.</p>
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2005	1,122,257												
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A	The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of soil would decline.	<b>Incorrect</b> – Law of soil grants citizenship to those born within a country’s borders; in being citizens by birth, these persons do not need to go through the naturalization process in order to become citizens.											
B	The number of persons seeking citizenship by law of blood would increase.	<b>Incorrect</b> – Law of blood grants citizenship to those born to citizens of a country; in being citizens by birth, these persons do not need to go through the naturalization process in order to become citizens.											
C	The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for Congress.	<b>Correct</b> – Congress passes laws concerning the naturalization process. Permanent resident status is one step in the naturalization process.											
D	The number of persons seeking naturalization would be affected by elections for governor.	<b>Incorrect</b> – Congress passes laws concerning naturalization. Governors, as chief executives of states, do not impact naturalization because naturalization laws are federal and not state-level laws.											

