Women and USCIS 100 Questions: Civics

1. When American women were excluded from the first World's Anti-Slavery Convention in London, they met at the Seneca Falls Convention to talk about women’s rights (1848). What did the Declaration of Independence do? (08)
   a) Announced our independence  b) Freed the slaves  c) Insured voting rights for all people

2. Elizabeth Cady Stanton based the Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments on the Declaration of Independence. She wrote: “all men and women are created equal [and] are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights” (1848). What are two rights in the Declaration of Independence? (09)
   a) Life, liberty  b) Property, profits  c) Speech, press

3. Anne Hutchison led Bible studies for women and men. The Pilgrims kicked her out of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for not obeying their religious leaders. She co-founded Rhode Island, which supported religious freedom (1638). What is freedom of religion? (10)
   a) You cannot buy alcohol or tobacco.  b) You must practice a religion.  c) You can practice any religion, or not practice a religion.

   a) communist economy  b) market economy  c) socialist economy

5. Margaret Chase Smith was the first woman elected to both parts of Congress (1940-1973). What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?*
   a) the Army and Navy  b) the Cabinet and Bar  c) the Senate and House

6. People called 1992, “The Year of the Woman,” because five women were elected to the US Senate. How many U.S. Senators are there? (18)
   a) Twenty-seven (27)  b) Fifty (50)  c) One hundred (100)

7. Hattie Wyatt Caraway of Arkansas was the first woman elected to the US Senate (1932). We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years? (19)
   a) Two (2)  b) Four (4)  c) Six (6)

8. Carol Moseley Braun of Illinois was the first African-American woman elected to the Senate (1992-1999). Who is one of your state’s U.S. Senators now?* (20)
   a) Dianne Feinstein  b) Kay Bailey Hutchison  c) Other ________

9. Shirley Chisholm was the first African-American woman elected to Congress and represented New York's 12th Congressional District (1969-83). The House of Representatives has how many voting members? (21)
   a) One hundred (100)  b) Four hundred thirty-five (435)  c) Five hundred thirty-eight (538)

10. Patsy Matsu Takemoto Mink of Hawaii was the first woman of color and the first Asian American woman elected to Congress. She served for 12 terms. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years? (22)
    a) Two (2)  b) Four (4)  c) Six (6)
11. Jeannette Rankin of Montana was the first woman elected to the US House of Representatives and the first female member of the Congress. **Name your U.S. Representative.** (23)

   a) Gabrielle Giffords  
   b) Other _________  
   c) Zoe Lofgren

12. Victoria Woodhull was the first woman presidential candidate in the United States (1872). **What is the name of the President of the United States now?** (*) (28)

   a) Barack H. Obama  
   b) George H.W. Bush  
   c) Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

13. Geraldine Ferraro was the first female Vice Presidential candidate representing a major American political party (1984). **What is the name of the Vice President of the United States now?** (29)

   a) Hillary Clinton  
   b) Joe Biden  
   c) Sarah Palin

14. Several women serve in President Obama’s cabinet, notably: Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano (2009- ). **What are two Cabinet-level positions?** (36)

   a) Secretary of Education  
   b) Secretary of Labor  
   c) Secretary of the Media

15. Sandra Day O'Connor was the first female member of the highest court in the United States. **What is the highest court in the United States?**

   a) the Dept. of Justice  
   b) the Supreme Court  
   c) the Supreme Law

16. Sonia Sotomayor is the Supreme Court's 111th justice, its first Hispanic-American justice, and its third female justice. **How many justices are on the Supreme Court?** (39)

   a) Three (3)  
   b) Six (6)  
   c) Nine (9)

17. Soledad Chávez Chacón of New Mexico was first woman to act as governor (1924). Susan Martinez is the current Governor of New Mexico (2011- ). **Who is the Governor of your state now?** (43)

   a) Christine Gregoire  
   b) Nikki Haley  
   c) Other _________

18. Nancy Pelosi was the first female Speaker of the House. **What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now?** (47)

   a) (Nancy) Pelosi  
   b) (John) Boehner  
   c) (Dennis) Hastert

19. Alice Paul led the final campaign to pass the Nineteenth Amendment (1920). **There are four amendments to the Constitution about who can vote. Describe one of them.** (4*)

   a) Female and male citizens can vote.  
   b) Anyone can vote.  
   c) Any permanent resident can vote.

20. Eunice Kennedy Shriver came from a powerful political family, but she never ran for office. She used her influence to start the Special Olympics and to campaign for the Democratic Party. **What are two ways that Americans can participate in their democracy?** (55)

   a) Join a civic group or community group  
   b) Run for office or in a marathon  
   c) Vote or veto