

QUIZ WIZ

How much do you know about what's in this issue of JS? Getting 18-20 correct makes you a Quiz Wizard; 14-17 correct makes you a Wizard's Apprentice.

THE ISSUES: PAGES 8-11

■ Decide which candidate is likely to agree with each of the following statements. Write "McCain," "Obama," "both," or "neither" on each blank line provided.

- _____ 1. Withdrawing troops from Iraq soon would make the U.S. safer.
- _____ 2. Public education in the U.S. is not a priority.
- _____ 3. Competition in the marketplace is the best way to ensure that every American has health insurance.
- _____ 4. We must reduce our dependence on foreign oil.
- _____ 5. Tax cuts now in effect benefit the wealthy and are worsening the country's budget deficit.

THE PARTIES: PAGES 12-13

■ Use a word or phrase from this list to correctly complete each sentence.

conservative, Democratic Party, a donkey, an elephant, Grandest of Parties, Grand Old Party, Greatest of Presidents, Green Party, an independent, a liberal, a moderate, Republican Party, a third party, Uncle Sam

6. In the 1820s, the Democratic-Republican Party broke up and evolved into the _____.
7. The Republican Party's nickname is the _____.
8. Any U.S. political party that is neither Democratic nor Republican is known as _____.
9. The Democratic Party's symbol is _____.
10. A politician whose opinions are neither strongly left nor right is considered _____.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE: PAGES 14-15

■ Decide whether each sentence is true, false, or an opinion. Write your answer on the blank line provided.

- _____ 11. The U.S. presidency is not decided by the people in a direct election.
- _____ 12. Most states have a winner-take-all system for assigning electors.
- _____ 13. The official electoral vote count is a week after the November 4 election.
- _____ 14. The Electoral College process is outdated and inefficient.
- _____ 15. The Electoral College was established by the U.S. Constitution.

WORLD HISTORY: PAGES 18-21

■ Write the letter of the correct answer on the line before each question.

- _____ 16. What was Athens when Socrates lived there more than 2,000 years ago?
A. capital of Macedonia C. federal district
B. city-state D. state capital
- _____ 17. Athens lost which conflict?
A. Peloponnesian War C. Persian Gulf War
B. Peninsular War D. War of the Roses
- _____ 18. Athenians were most upset by Socrates' doing what?
A. declaring himself king C. questioning authority
B. making fun of Anytus D. teaching without a license
- _____ 19. Socrates was executed by drinking which kind of poison?
A. hemlock C. oak
B. ivy D. rat
- _____ 20. The word *democracy* is from the Greek *demos*, meaning "people," and *kratia*, meaning what?
A. adviser C. idealistic
B. authority D. voting