

Harry S. Truman Test

1. Harry S. Truman was born in the state of _____.

- A. California
- B. Missouri
- C. Nevada
- D. Virginia

2. Harry did not attend college because he _____.

- A. didn't have the desire to attend
- B. lacked the money
- C. did not make good grades
- D. had to help his father on the farm

3. Bess's mother opposed her marriage to Harry because she thought Harry _____.

- A. wasn't good enough for Bess
- B. wouldn't make a good president
- C. should have a college degree
- D. wasn't handsome enough

4. Harry and Eddie Jacobson operated a _____.

- A. dairy
- B. haberdashery
- C. barber shop
- D. bank

5. The first political office Truman held was _____.

- A. Vice-president of the United States
- B. President of the United States
- C. county judge
- D. Senator from Missouri

6. Truman's daughter Margaret was a/an _____.

- A. pianist
- B. artist
- C. actress
- D. singer

7. The _____ kept him from being elected to the Senate the first time he ran.

- A. Ku Klux Klan
- B. Pendergast political machine
- C. Republican party
- D. Democratic party

8. Franklin D. Roosevelt needed a strong running mate because he _____.

- A. didn't know how to govern
- B. needed a lot of help
- C. was in poor health
- D. was a Republican

9. When Truman suddenly became President, he _____.

- A. was self-confident
- B. asked for advice from Bess
- C. refused to serve
- D. felt as if the planets had fallen on him

10. In World War 2 Germany surrendered before _____.

- A. Great Britain
- B. Japan
- C. the Soviet Union
- D. Mexico

11. The Potsdam Agreement provided for the division of Berlin into ____ zones.

- A. three
- B. four
- C. two
- D. five

12. The first atomic bomb was dropped on _____.

- A. Hiroshima
- B. Berlin
- C. Potsdam
- D. Nagasaki

13. _____ prevented supplies from getting into Berlin.

- A. Great Britain
- B. Italy
- C. The Soviet Union
- D. Japan

14. The people of Berlin were able to get supplies by _____.

- A. cargo planes
- B. ships at sea
- C. underground tunnels
- D. helicopter

15. In the 1948 election the Chicago Tribune falsely reported ____.

- A. Truman had won the election
- B. there would have to be a run-off
- C. Thomas Dewey had died
- D. Dewey had won the election

16. In 1949 the Trumans moved into the Blair House because _____.

- A. there was a fire in the White House
- B. the White House was being reconstructed
- C. the White House was too big
- D. it was too cold in the White House

17. When an assassin attempted to kill President Truman, he survived but _____.

- A. a policeman was killed
- B. three policemen were killed
- C. some by-standers were killed
- D. Bess was hurt

18. When ex-president Truman received an abundance of mail he _____.

- A. asked Margaret to help answer the letters
- B. hired a secretary to help
- C. answered all the letters himself
- D. enlisted the aid of Bess, his wife

19. In 1953 he decided he and Bess should _____.

- A. go on a world cruise
- B. make a road trip across America
- C. visit the pyramids in Egypt
- D. fly to Hawaii

20. In a speech in Philadelphia in 1953 Truman issued a caution about _____.

- A. national unity
- B. the need for better education
- C. the economy
- D. national security