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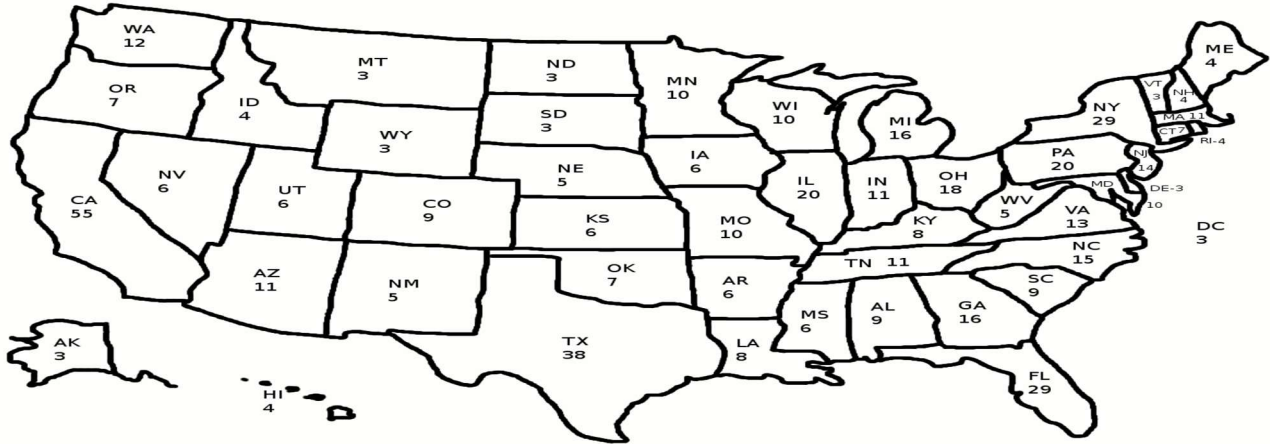
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21. How is the number of electoral votes per state determined? \_\_\_\_\_
22. The Electoral College has \_\_\_\_\_ members representing D.C. and all 50 \_\_\_\_\_.
23. Of \_\_\_\_\_ total votes, how many electoral votes are needed to win the election \_\_\_\_\_?



24. What is the purpose of this map? \_\_\_\_\_
25. What are the four states with the largest electoral votes? \_\_\_\_\_
26. In most states, they have a “winner takes all” method. In order for a candidate to win all the electoral votes of a state, a candidate must win a \_\_\_\_\_ of the popular vote in the state.
27. Florida is known as a \_\_\_\_\_ or battleground state because we elect Presidents of both parties.
28. True or False: a candidate can win the Electoral College but lose the Popular Election? \_\_\_\_\_
29. What president in the 2000 election won the Electoral College but lost the popular vote? \_\_\_\_\_
30. What 2016 candidate won the popular vote but lost the Electoral College? \_\_\_\_\_
31. Why are there “red states” and “blue states”? \_\_\_\_\_
32. If no candidate receives a majority of votes, who decides? \_\_\_\_\_
33. When does the electoral college meet to vote for the President? \_\_\_\_\_
34. When is the Presidential Inauguration / the swearing-in ceremony? \_\_\_\_\_
35. The President can only serve \_\_\_\_\_ terms or a total of \_\_\_\_\_ years?
36. Who is the only president elected to more terms than George Washington? \_\_\_\_\_
37. If the president and VP can’t serve who becomes the president? \_\_\_\_\_
38. The order of officials in line to become the president is known as \_\_\_\_\_