

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____

Guided Notes: Introduction to Civics

1. What is civics?
2. List at least 3 things we will be learning in Civics class:
3. Why is Civics Important?
4. Define "Government":
5. What does government do?
6. Why do people need government?
7. What would happen if there was no government?
8. List 5 ways that government affects your daily life:
9. List 4 types of government:
10. From who does our government get its power?
11. What are the natural rights of man?
12. Which document establishes the power of our government and how power is divided?
13. In what ways is our government's power divided?
14. What do we call our system of three levels of government?
15. What are laws?
16. Why do we have laws?
17. How does federalism affect our laws?
18. What would happened if we didn't have laws?
19. What is the "Rule of Law"?
20. Why is the "Rule of Law" important?
21. What is citizenship?
22. How should citizens interact with the government?
23. List at least 5 of our American/Democratic/Constitutional Values:

24. List at least 5 Qualities of a good Citizen:

Journal/Critical Thinking Questions

- 1) What things would you like to learn more about in civics class?
- 2) How does Government affect your daily life?
- 3) What would happen if there were no laws or government?
- 4) What is a law that you agree with? And why?
- 5) Why is civics education important?
- 6) Why is citizen involvement important?
- 7) How can you demonstrate good citizenship at your age?

