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1,.Some democratic nations such as \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ have had extended periods of one party rule.

\*a. Mexico and Japan

b. Mexico and France

c. Japan and France

d. Aruba and Canada

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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2. In a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , when one single party fails to win a majority of the votes, then two or more parties come together in a coalition in order to govern.

\*a. multi-party system

b. winner-take-all system

c. democratic system

d. national party system

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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3. In 2000, who took enough votes from Al Gore in certain states that tipped the election to George W Bush?

\*a. Ralph Nader

b. Kinky Friedman

c. Ross Perot

d. George Wallace

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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4. According to the Ranney index as discussed in your text, which of these states are considered two party states?

\*a. Alabama and Minnesota

b. Wyoming and Idaho

c. Michigan and Georgia

d. Arkansas and Maryland

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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5. Since 1964, the average success rates for incumbents seeking reelection to the US House were \_\_\_ percent.

\*a. 93

b. 83

c. 73

d. 86

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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6. Why is incumbency such a valuable resource in congressional elections?

\*a. name recognition, ease of raising money, and experience

b. more services they provide to constituents, and less need to bother with money

c. most come from solid safe seats and thus do not need to campaign

d. name recognition is high and fund raising is low

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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7. What percent of House members were elected from swing districts in 2012?

\*a. 8

b. 55

c. 24

d. 18

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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8. The steady disappearance of swing districts has eliminated most of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

\*a. moderate members of Congress

b. radicals in Congress

c. ideologically extreme members of Congress

d. need to raise large sums of money

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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9. The assertion that plurality elections in single member districts tend to produce two party systems is called:

\*a. Duverger’s Law

b. the Plurality law

c. two party inevitability

d. institutional forces

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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10. Minor parties tend to be weaker in a system with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because they do not have a realistic chance of winning the presidency.

\*a. a single executive

b. proportional representation

c. plurality rules

d. nonpartisan elections

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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11. The less diverse its people are, at least in terms of the demographic characteristics that typically divide Republicans from Democrats, the more likely the district is to:

\*a. be one in which one-party politics reigns

b. foster intense party competition

c. foster minor party competition

d. encourage interest group activity in politics

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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12. How many minor parties have carried a state in a presidential election?

\*a. 7

b. 8

c. 12

d. none

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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13. The strongest vote getter of any minor party in the past quarter century has been what party?

\*a. Libertarian

b. American

c. Reform

d. Greens

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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14.Which minor party claims credit for  public policies such as minimum wage?:

\*a. the Socialist Party

b. the Libertarian Party

c. the Green Party

d. The Reform Party

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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15. In what year did Ross Perot win almost 20 million popular votes?

\*a. 1992

b. 1996

c. 2000

d. 1924\

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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16. Perot spent more than \_\_\_\_\_  of his own money in 1992.

\*a. $65 million

b. $200 million

c. $30 million

d. $15 million

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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17.Since 1952, only \_\_\_\_\_ members of Congress have been elected on a minor party ticket.

\*a. 3

b. 6

c. 9

d. 12

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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18. Minor party presidential candidates can receive public funding for their campaigns if they receive at least \_\_\_\_\_\_ percent of the popular vote.

\*a. 5

b. 7

c. 10

d. 15

skill level: factual

difficulty: easy

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