

Missouri Constitution Test Study Guide 2021

1. Explain how civil and criminal cases are different
 - a. **In a criminal case, a law has allegedly been broken. In a civil case, that is just a disagreement between 2 people/parties.**
2. Provide an example of a case that would be tried in civil court
 - a. **Divorce proceedings, adoptions, child custody arrangements, contract disputes**
3. Provide an example of a case that would be tried in criminal court
 - a. **Murder, assault, theft, burglary, fraud, tax evasion**
4. How many judges sit on the Missouri Supreme Court?
 - a. **7**
5. What is the highest court in the state of Missouri?
 - a. **The Missouri Supreme Court**
6. What type of jurisdiction do circuit courts have?
 - a. **Original Jurisdiction**
7. Which of the following is NOT one of the 3 levels of court in the state of Missouri?
 - a. **Circuit Courts → Court of Appeals → Missouri Supreme Court**
8. Who comprises the General Assembly?
 - a. **The Missouri House of Representatives, and the Missouri Senate**
9. Are there more state senators or federal senators?
 - a. **More federal senators**
10. Are there more state representatives or federal representatives?
 - a. **More federal representatives**
11. How is the basic structure of the Missouri Legislative Branch similar to the structure of the Federal Legislative Branch?
 - a. **They are both bicameral legislatures with a House and a Senate**
12. The principle of having a Federal (National), State, and Local Governments is referred to as:
 - a. **federalism**
13. The Federal Government operates in:
 - a. **Washington, D.C.**
14. The Missouri State Government operates in:
 - a. **Jefferson City, MO**

15. Who serves as the Chief Executive of the State of Missouri (Provide this person's name AND title)
 - a. **Governor Mike Parson**
16. What are the requirements to serve as Governor of Missouri?
 - a. **1) be at least thirty years old and**
 - b. **2) must have been a citizen of the United States for at least fifteen years and**
 - c. **3) be a resident of Missouri for at least ten years immediately before his or her election.**
17. Provide 1 similarity between the State Executive Branch of Missouri and the Federal Executive Branch
 - a. **Both are led by a chief executive; and they both have the same terms and limits**
18. Provide 1 difference between the State Executive Branch of Missouri and the Federal Executive Branch
 - a. **Presidents must be natural born US Citizens; Governors do not have to be Natural Born but they do have to be citizens**
19. Which executive official is in charge of the state's elections?
 - a. **Secretary of State**
20. Which of the executive officials are elected by the public?
 - a. **The governor**
 - b. **Lieutenant governor**
 - c. **Secretary of State**
 - d. **Treasurer**
 - e. **Attorney General**
 - f. **State Auditor**