

## Grand Lodge of Kentucky

### 2010-2011 Question on Constitution

Obtain an up to date Constitution (12<sup>th</sup> Edition, with 2008 updates). Look up the answers, fill in the blanks or circle the correct answer. And you must include the Section number where you found it.

<http://grandlodgeofkentucky.org/publications/Constitution.htm>

*Example:*

*What is the first great fundamental principle and Landmark of Freemasonry upon which our fraternity is erected? Belief in God.*

*Sec # 1*

Topics & Questions to address:

<b>Grand Lodge Constitution &amp; By-laws</b>	<b>118 Questions</b>
<b>Degrees of Freemasonry</b>	<b>75 Questions</b>
<b>History of Kentucky</b>	<b>Answered for you</b>

Constitution Questions:

1. The fiscal year for the Grand Lodge of Kentucky commences on \_\_\_\_\_ and closes \_\_\_\_\_, annually.

(a) January 1, December 31 (b) July 1, June 30 (c) Oct. 1, Sept. 30 (d) August 1, July 31

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2. No communication of the Grand Lodge shall be opened unless \_\_\_\_\_ of the lodges under its jurisdiction are represented.

1/3 (b) 1/5 (c) 2/3 (d) 3/4

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3. After the opening and business of the Grand Lodge, \_\_\_\_\_ representatives constitute a quorum to transact business.

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4. Lodge representatives can vote by proxy. T or F

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5. List the four different classes of permanent members that have a vote in the Grand Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

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6. A lodge can not participate in any gambling activity that is contrary to applicable federal and/or state law. T or F

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7. List the elective Grand Officers for the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M

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8. The Grand Lodge is not a judicial body but a legislative body that governs the affairs for the Craft in Kentucky. T or F

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9. How many constitute the appointive Grand Officers with the Grand Lodge?

(a)10 (b) 8 (c) 9 (d) 6 Can their be two answers?

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10 The class of members that are not permanent members with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky is \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) Past Grand Masters (b) Masters and Secretaries (c) Masters (d) Past Masters

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11. Lodge representatives to the annual Grand Lodge Communication can only be the \_\_\_\_\_, or in his absence, the \_\_\_\_ or in his absence the \_\_\_\_\_, or in the absence of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ then the \_\_\_\_\_ can represent the lodge. In case of the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ cannot attend an \_\_\_\_\_ representative (Permanent Member)-(a Past Master) chosen by ballot from the members of his lodge can be the lodge representative.

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12. Which office of the Grand Lodge does not have to be a permanent member of the Grand Lodge to fulfill that particular office? \_\_\_\_\_

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13. Electioneering is permissible for any Grand Lodge office or for office in a subordinate lodge. T or F

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14. A subordinate lodge can adopt a resolution stating the qualifications and recommending one of its members for an elective office in the Grand Lodge, and the one time mailing of a copy of resolution can be mailed to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

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15. Each Elective Grand Lodge Officer and Past Grand Master shall be addressed as Right Worshipful. T or F [Elective are \_\_\_\_\_ Worshipful, Past Grand Masters are \_\_\_\_\_ Worshipful]

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16. The Grand Chaplain shall be addressed as Right Reverend and the remaining Appointive Grand Officers as Worshipful. T or F.

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17. The lodge may have printed in the \_\_\_\_\_ issue of the *Masonic Home Journal*, a photograph and resume of the member for whom they have adopted a resolution to nominate for an elective Grand Lodge Office.

(a) July (b) September (c) August (d) October

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18. Elections for the Grand Lodge officers shall commence at 10 o'clock a.m. on the second day of each annual communication, unless some other hour would be fixed by vote of \_\_\_\_\_ of the members present.

(a) 2/3 (b) 3/5 (c) 1/3 (d) 1/2

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19. The \_\_\_\_\_, in person or by proxy, may congregate and open any lodge, and hold an election therein to fill vacancies caused by death, permanent disability or refusal to act.

(a) Grand Secretary (b) Grand Master (c) Area Officer (d) Deputy Grand Master

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20. If the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and both the Grand Wardens are absent, the powers and duties of the Grand Master shall devolve upon:

Past Grand Masters, commencing with the \_\_\_\_\_ Senior or Junior

If none such be present, then upon:

Masters of subordinate lodges, commencing with the \_\_\_\_\_ lodge.

(a) youngest or (b) oldest

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21. The \_\_\_\_\_, is responsible to cause the amendments to *The Book of Constitutions* that are adopted at the annual Grand Lodge Communication to be codified and printed in *Masonic Home Journal* and send a copy annually to each lodge and person entitled to a copy.

(a) Grand Master (b) Grand Secretary (c) *Masonic Home Journal* Editor (d) Grand Tiler

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22. The \_\_\_\_\_ are responsible for the safe keeping of the Great Lights, jewels, aprons, gavels, columns and other paraphernalia during the sessions of the Grand Lodge, and when the Grand Lodge is closed, deposit them in the place provided.

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23. The Grand Master shall appoint \_\_\_\_\_ Standing Committees.

(a) five (b) ten (c) twelve (d) sixteen .

Now that you have your answer; count them and put the other answer here \_\_\_\_\_. ☺

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24. The Committees on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ shall each consist of only one (1) member while the other committees shall consist of \_\_\_\_\_ permanent members of the Grand Lodge except as otherwise provided.

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25. All Grand Lodge Committee Reports should be submitted in proper form to the office of the Grand Lodge no later than \_\_\_\_\_, prior to the Annual Communication.

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26. All motions or resolutions pertaining to amendments of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge shall be submitted in writing and presented to the office of the Grand Secretary no later than \_\_\_\_\_ prior to the Annual Communication for publication in the *Masonic Home Journal*.

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27. All lodge representatives including Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters with the exception of committee members are entitled to mileage and per diem for attending the Annual Communication provided they follow all guidelines as outlined in the Constitution. T or F

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28. Whenever the roll call is conducted at the Grand Lodge Communication, every representative or other member who is entitled to mileage and per diem, must answer for his lodge, or to his name if not a representative. T or F

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29. The \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ shall be the only officers with authority to excuse a representative from answering the roll call and then only for good cause shown by written request in a form provided.

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30. What can happen to a brother for answering for another at roll call during the Grand Lodge Communication? \_\_\_\_\_

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31. Each subordinate lodge is required to adopt by-laws for the government of its own affairs provided that the same is not *inconsistent* with the Constitution, rules and edicts of the Grand Lodge. T or F

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32. A lodge may amend its by-laws by submitting the proposed amendment in \_\_\_\_\_ at a stated communication and then notify its members by \_\_\_\_\_, or by publishing a notice of the proposed change in the \_\_\_\_\_. Describe at least three different actions that are required and must be concurred in adopting an amendment of lodge by-laws. \_\_\_\_\_

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33. The title of lodge Master is referred to as \_\_\_\_\_ and the other officers are addressed as \_\_\_\_\_.

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34. According to their lodge by-laws, each lodge shall adopt an Annual Communication in the month of \_\_\_\_\_ for the purpose of election of officers.

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35. In the event of a tie for an officer in the subordinate lodge election, the Master may have the deciding factor in determining the outcome of the election and ultimately could have two votes. T or F

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36. No brother shall be elected \_\_\_\_\_ of a lodge unless he shall have proved his \_\_\_\_\_ in all three degrees and obtained a Grand Lodge \_\_\_\_\_, except when no such brother who is so qualified and consents to act as \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ shall be found among the members.

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37. A \_\_\_\_\_ grace period shall be provided for a brother who is elected to an office that is unqualified at the present time and agrees to act in that capacity.

(a) two-month (b) three-month (c) four-month (d) six-month

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38. Any elected officer of a subordinate lodge with the exception of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ may be removed from office by \_\_\_\_\_ vote of the members present and the members notified by mail and upon the dispensation of the \_\_\_\_\_, good cause having been shown in writing.

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39. Whenever a vacancy occurs in an elective office of the subordinate lodge, the \_\_\_\_\_ shall, after appropriate notice to the members, hold an election to fill the vacancy or any other vacancy that could arise at the next stated communication.

(a) presiding officer (b) current Master (c) current Secretary (d) Grand Master

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40. No brother shall be entitled to exercise any of the rights, privileges or powers of any office in the lodge until he shall have been duly elected, or appointed, and \_\_\_\_\_.

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41. List at least five duties of the Master as outlined in the Book of Constitutions with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_

(4) \_\_\_\_\_

(5) \_\_\_\_\_

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42. The \_\_\_\_\_ is responsible to keep correct minutes of the transactions of his lodge, to collect and receive all money of the lodge, keep true accounts thereof, and promptly pay the same to the \_\_\_\_\_.

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43. After the annual election of officers, the \_\_\_\_\_ shall report to the Grand Secretary's Office the names of the officers selected and/or appointed along with other requested information on or before \_\_\_\_\_ following the election.

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44. Dues notices to all members of the lodge are to be sent annually \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) prior to the election of officers. (a) two (b) one (c) three (d) four

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45. Waiver of jurisdiction may be given by any lodge possessing jurisdiction over a candidate for degrees or affiliation, in favor of any other lodge. T or F

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46. Discuss how a waiver of jurisdiction can be granted. \_\_\_\_\_

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47. Within the state, jurisdiction will be waived automatically \_\_\_ days after a request for waiver is mailed by certified mail to the secretary of the lodge possessing jurisdiction unless the lodge possessing jurisdiction denies the waiver and notifies the requesting lodge in writing prior to the \_\_\_ day.

(a) 30 days, 30<sup>th</sup> day (b) 60 days, 60<sup>th</sup> day (c) 90 days, 90<sup>th</sup> day (d) 120 days, 120<sup>th</sup> day

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48. For just cause the lodge possessing jurisdiction may not impose an extension of not more than 30 days with written notification to the requesting lodge. T or F

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49. Automatic waiver of jurisdiction does not apply to requests for waiver to or from other Grand Jurisdictions. T or F

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50. How many negative black votes does it take to reject a waiver of jurisdiction? \_\_\_\_.

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51 Plural memberships is available in Kentucky to a Master Mason in good standing in a lodge(s) of this Grand Jurisdiction, or in a lodge of a sister grand Jurisdiction which does not forbid Plural Membership provided he remits all dues and assessments in each lodge.

T or F

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52. Explain how a suspended or expelled plural member from any lodge is reinstated to active membership. \_\_\_\_\_

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53. A Plural member may represent more than one lodge of which he is a member at any one Annual Communication. T or F

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54. What can happen to a subordinate lodge that fails to hold stated communications on a regular basis as designated in its Charter or Dispensation and its by-laws? \_\_\_\_\_

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55. When a District Meeting or Educational Conference falls on the same day as the Stated Communication of a subordinate lodge, the attendance of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the remaining elected officers shall be considered in lieu of the Stated Communication of that lodge for that particular date.

(a) Master, three (b) Master, two (c) Secretary, three (d) Secretary, one

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56. Lodge business may be done in a lodge of Entered Apprentice Masons. T or F

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57. All official communications from the Grand Master, Grand Secretary or another subordinate lodge shall be read in open lodge and promptly replied to by the Secretary.

T or F

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58. No \_\_\_\_\_ of a lodge can be conducted on a Sunday with the exception of the following activities \_\_\_\_\_

“This Legislation should be changed to propose to include the Open Installation of officers as the public can be invited.”

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59. A called communication may be called of the lodge upon written request of \_\_\_\_\_ or more members for consideration of such matters as may be deemed in the request.

(a) Five (b) eight (c) seven (d) three

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60. What constitutes a quorum of a Master Mason's Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_

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61. \_\_\_\_\_ Master Masons and \_\_\_\_\_ Fellow Craft Masons constitute a quorum to open a lodge of Fellow Craft Masons and to transact business.

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62. \_\_\_\_\_ Master Mason(s) and \_\_\_\_\_ Entered Apprentices constitute a quorum to pen a lodge of Entered Apprentice Masons and to transact business.

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63. Can an EA receive the last Masonic Rites? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_.

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64. Masonic burial of a demitted Mason can be accorded as a favor if the lodge desires.

T or F

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65. Entered Apprentice Masons and Fellow Craft Masons are not permitted to participate in or receive Masonic Burial. T or F Section 118 was deleted in 200\_\_

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66. Can a FC participate in the Masonic Rites? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_.

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67. A candidate for initiation or affiliation in a Kentucky lodge shall be a man of the age of \_\_\_\_\_ or more and of good report and has been a resident of its jurisdiction for at least \_\_\_\_\_ months.

(a) 18, six months (b) 16, 12 months (c) 19, 12 months (d) 21, six months

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68. A brother wishes to affiliate with your lodge or take dual membership, and he has a pocket demit from another lodge, attached to his petition. When voting on the petition how many black balls or cubes will it take for him to be rejected into membership? \_\_\_\_\_  
(because he is trying to affiliate with your lodge and must be accepted by all members present when vote is taken)

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69. Can a petition for Degrees be voted on by show of hands? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_  
If No, Explain what is the procedure. \_\_\_\_\_

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70. The Ballot must be [(a) three-fourths (b) one-half (c) two-thirds (d) unanimous] to elect a candidate to receive the degrees or for him to affiliation with that lodge.

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71. A brother wished to reinstate in the same lodge that **he holds a demit**. His petition is ready for ballot and 12 members are present. How many black balls will it take for him to be rejected into membership? \_\_\_\_\_

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72. A member that wishes to re-affiliate with a lodge from which he had previously demitted may be reelected to membership in that lodge by \_\_\_\_\_ of the members present expressed by ballot, provided the member was not a member of another lodge, or lodges, at the time the demit was granted, and that he had not affiliated with another lodge during the interim.

(a) three-fourths (b) one-half (c) two-thirds (d) unanimous

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73. A candidate that is rejected cannot petition for the degrees or be balloted on in less than \_\_\_\_\_ months, or for affiliation or re-affiliation in less than \_\_\_\_\_ months after such rejection. (a) 6, 6 (b) 12, 6 (c) 8, 4 (d) 12, 12

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74. In balloting on a petition, if only \_\_\_\_\_ negative appears, a second ballot shall immediately take place; if on the second ballot \_\_\_\_\_ negative again appears, the petitioner shall be declared rejected.

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75. A lodge cannot reconsider or rescind a ballot for the degrees or for affiliation and no appeal shall be allowed to Grand Lodge. T or F

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76. If a candidate fails to appear to receive his first degree for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months, his election shall be void, unless the lodge shall declare the reason for such failure to be good and sufficient. The time can be extended for \_\_\_\_\_ months after that he must again petition and be balloted for as in the first instance.

(a) six, six (b) six, twelve (c) twelve, twelve (d) twelve, six

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77. The time between petition and initiation or affiliation and ballot thereon, and the time between each degree is a minimum of \_\_\_\_\_ days or one lunar month and the \_\_\_\_\_ is not authorized to dispense with this time.

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78. Demits cannot be refused by a lodge to a member of any degree whose indebtedness is fully paid. T or F

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79. A \_\_\_\_\_ can be completed and submitted if a brother wishes to change his membership and be continuously affiliated with another lodge.

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80. Can a lodge make a motion that a Master Mason be an “Honorary Member”, second, and vote by “Aye” and “Nay” at any one stated meeting? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_.

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81. A lodge may confer the complimentary title of “Honorary Member” on a member of another lodge, by \_\_\_\_\_ ballot after \_\_\_\_\_ month’s previous notice.

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82. Dues of all Masonic members are due on \_\_\_\_\_ each year and shall be delinquent on \_\_\_\_\_ and the delinquent members shall be subject to suspension on the stated meeting of the lodge in \_\_\_\_\_.

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83. Can a lodge suspend a member on April 2<sup>nd</sup> if he does not hold the current year’s dues card? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_ [read both] Sec.154 then read 176

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84. No \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ shall be issued a dues card, but the lodge Secretary shall issue a receipt for dues showing the essential information and the seal of the lodge.

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85. Dues can only be remitted by \_\_\_\_\_ of the members present at any stated communication. (a) two-thirds (b) three-fourths (c) one-half (d) one-third

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86. Each lodge shall pay to the Grand Secretary its indebtedness to the Grand Lodge each year after \_\_\_\_\_ along with the Annual Return to reach the office of Grand Secretary no later than \_\_\_\_\_. If the payment is not received by the deadline, the Grand Secretary is directed to assess a fine against the lodge of \_\_\_\_\_ for each day for its delinquency.

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87. If delinquency payment of Grand Lodge Assessments is not received by the Grand Secretary on or before \_\_\_\_\_, the Grand Master is authorized in his discretion to arrest its charter for failure to comply with the law or pay the fines.

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88. No lodge shall be required to pay Grand Lodge Assessments on any member who has fifty or more years of service with a lodge, or lodges in Kentucky or any other Grand Jurisdiction recognized by it. T or F

Sec

89 The only penalties known to Masonry in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky are \_\_\_\_\_

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90. Can a Lodge at a regular meeting in May suspend a brother for non-payment of dues, without sending him notification by certified mail? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_ If answer is No, explain \_\_\_\_\_ could he have been notified by a brother from the lodge sent to him to tell him of indebtedness, and when question on his suspension would take place? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_ How many days in advance must he be notified? \_\_\_\_\_.

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91. Can a lodge suspend a member in any month except June? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_

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92. A lodge Master may be suspended from office by the GL or the Grand Master if there would be reasonable grounds for believing that the Master has been guilty of un-Masonic conduct with an investigation to be conducted by the Appeals Committee. T or F

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93. What are the required ways that a suspended member for non-payment of dues with two years or longer can be restored to good standing? \_\_\_\_\_

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94. A brother wished to reinstate in the same lodge that he was *suspended 5 years ago*. His petition is ready for ballot and 12 members are present. How many black balls will it take for him to be rejected into membership? \_\_\_\_\_

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95. A brother wished to reinstate in the same lodge that he was *suspended 18 months ago*. Can he merely pay his indebtedness to the lodge and be reinstated automatically?

Yes

or No? \_\_\_\_\_

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96. A lodge under dispensation may be established on the petition of not less than \_\_\_\_\_ Master Masons, residents of the jurisdiction of the proposed new lodge, other essential requirements and a fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ dollars that must be paid before the dispensation can be issued.

(a) 25 members, \$100 (b) 50 members, \$50 (c) 15 members, \$50 (d) 100 members, \$25

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97. The \_\_\_\_\_ shall name the brothers to serve as Master and Wardens of the lodge granted a dispensation, but the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ shall be elected by the lodge. The other officers are appointed by the \_\_\_\_\_.

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98. A lodge under dispensation must show its capabilities, must be regularly instituted, its officers must be installed and a fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ must be paid before the charter shall be issued.

(a) \$100 (b) \$50 (c) \$200 (d) \$150

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99. No charter or dispensation shall be surrendered by a lodge as long as there are \_\_\_\_\_ Master Masons who will maintain and work under it conformable to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge.

(a) eleven (b) twelve (c) fifteen (d) twenty five

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100. Describe the guidelines for the consolidation and merger of two or more lodges having concurrent or contiguous jurisdiction. How many points? \_\_\_\_ and what is number (1)? \_\_\_\_\_

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101. A \_\_\_\_\_ lodge is one whose charter or dispensation has been arrested, forfeited or surrendered and its property becomes the property of the Grand Lodge.

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102. A charter surrendered, arrested or forfeited may, within one year be restored by the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge but after a year the old charter shall not be returned nor shall its number be given to that or any other lodge. T or F

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103. All amendments to the Constitution must be received in the office of the Grand Secretary by \_\_\_\_\_ prior to the Grand Lodge Communication.

(a) July 15<sup>th</sup> (b) August 15<sup>th</sup> (c) September 15<sup>th</sup> (d) September 1

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104. An amendment to the Constitution must be offered in writing over the seal of the lodge, or proposed by a majority of the elected Grand Lodge Officers, read to the Grand Lodge, seconded, referred to the Committee on Jurisdiction, and remain one whole vacation for consideration of subordinate lodges, and then be adopted by an affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ of the members of the Grand Lodge present at its annual communication. (a) three-fourths (b) one-third (c) two-thirds (d) one-half

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### **Under Rules of Order**

105. When a brother rises to speak during the annual communication, he shall address the "Most Worshipful Grand Master," then announce his \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of his lodge.

**Rule****Under Standing Resolutions**

106. The words \_\_\_\_\_ have been adopted by the Grand Lodge in memorial of Captain H.B. Grant to be used as a Masonic superscription to signatures in all Masonic correspondence in this Grand Jurisdiction.

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107. A Grand Representative absent from the annual Grand Lodge Communication for \_\_\_\_\_ consecutive years shall vacate his position.

(a) three (b) two (c) four (d) five

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108. All standing resolutions upon adoption by Grand Lodge shall remain effective until amended or repealed. T or F

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109. Masonic members for long and faithful service to the fraternity with \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ years shall receive from Grand Lodge of Kentucky a Veteran's Emblem.

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110. The Grand Jurisdiction of Kentucky is divided into \_\_\_\_\_ regions of Masonic Educational Conferences.

(a) 30 (b) 15 (c) 40 (d) 10

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**Trial Code & Discipline**

111. A Mason is guilty of Unmasonic conduct if he: Commits a crime involving moral turpitude. What is Moral Turpitude? Give an example: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Sec. 2 (g): Conduct which is socially undesirable and is also base and depraved, as may be defined by the supreme court of the commonwealth of Kentucky. [Webster]*

*BASE: morally low; without estimable personal qualities; dishonorable; mean-spirited; selfish; cowardly. DEPRAVED: corrupt, wicked, or perverted*

**Digest**

112. A lodge cannot "call off" from one day to another, but must be closed on the same day of its opening. T or F

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113. The Grand Lodge "calls off" from one day to another? Can you explain? \_\_\_\_\_

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**No reference number.**

114. When a lodge is duly opened on MM degree, can the Master say to the JW, [Bro. JW you will call this lodge of MM to refreshments, and declare a lodge of EA open for the purposed of hearing lectures"], without any other form of a formal opening of EA degree? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_. Can he reverse it at the end of EA business and go back to the MM degree without any formal closing of EA degree. Yes or No? \_\_\_\_\_.

Digest ( )

115. The \_\_\_\_\_ of a Masonic lodge is the custodian of its \_\_\_\_\_ and cannot delegate that authority.

Digest ( )

116. The \_\_\_\_\_ should inquire into everything affecting the qualifications of a candidate; whether he is in possession of his physical and intellectual faculties possess a good reputation in his community, and whether the lodge has jurisdiction over him.

Digest ( )

117. The prefix “Worshipful” is a title of \_\_\_\_\_, given him by others, and not the name of the Master’s office.

Digest ( )

118. What rights are lost by a Master Mason who is suspended for non payment of dues?

\_\_\_\_\_ Digest ( )

You have just completed these questions. Now do you feel that the study of the Constitution was for the Grand Lodge’s benefit or yours as a knowledgeable leader? Who do you think it helped? \_\_ \_ We will give you a hint it only has two letters.

MASONIC DEGREES

1. When you were elected to receive the degrees of Freemasonry, you were elected by what means?  
  
(A) majority (b) unanimously (c) 75% membership present (d) 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority
2. Freemasonry is a secret society with religious beliefs. T or F
3. Define Freemasonry in your own terms.  

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4. What is the fundamental requirement for becoming a Mason?  

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5. Name the first officially warranted lodge on record in America and the year that it was founded.  

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6. The “Three Great Lights of Masonry” are:  
(a) Sun, Moon and stars (b) square, trowel and pillar (c) Holy Bible, square and compasses (d) sun, moon and Master
7. The lambskin or White Leather Apron is an emblem of:  
(a) Purity (b) Honesty (c) Faithfulness (d) Morality
8. Freemasonry is a service organization. T or F
9. What is the title of the highest ranking elected officer in a Masonic Lodge?  
(a) Potentate (b) President (c) Chief Executive Officer (d) Worshipful Master
10. The principal tenets of Masonry are: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_
11. “So mote it be” after prayer refers to:  
(a) Tradition (b) “So may it be” (c) a ritual response by craft (d) So Peace may be
12. What are the Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice?  
(a) Level (b) 12-inch square and common gavel (c) 24-inch gauge and common gavel (d) Trowel
13. What does the Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice represent?  
(a) build a better society (b) ability of construction (c) Moral and spiritual virtues (d) Belief in God and freedom of religion

14. What corner of a building represents the place where the cornerstone of a building is laid?  
(a) Southeast (b) Northeast (c) Southwest (d) Northwest
15. As an \_\_\_\_\_, it is one of the noblest symbol of the Craft and a cornerstone of the future Craft of the fraternity.  
(a) Entered Apprentice (b) Newly elected petitioner (c) Fellow craft (d) Master Mason
16. There is no established dress code unless the by-laws of the lodge have an established custom of dress but members should project an image of good taste and respect.
17. Explain the significance of the knocks of the gavel (Hiram) and its significance?  
1 knock: \_\_\_\_\_  
2 knocks: \_\_\_\_\_  
3 knocks: \_\_\_\_\_  
4 knocks: \_\_\_\_\_
18. It is a title of \_\_\_\_\_ when the Master of a lodge is addressed as Worshipful.
19. As a Master Mason, your first duty is to live and act consistently with your \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) obligation (b) heart (c) desires (d) God
20. The constant responsibility of a Master Mason is “to preserve the history, tradition and ritual of the Fraternity.” T or F
21. How often is a Master Mason expected to attend Masonic lodge?  
(a) every meeting (b) during initiations and ceremonies (c) quarterly (d) none of the above
22. The time and dates of the stated meetings of the Masonic lodge are fixed by the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) members of the lodge (b) Constitution of the fraternity (c) by-laws of the lodge (d) none of the above
23. While in lodge, how should we act? What grade would you give yourself on your grade-card under the title of Department? A B C D or F \_\_\_\_\_ Give one or two sentence explanation \_\_\_\_\_
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- DEPARTMENT Means: demeanor; conduct; behavior. Like conduct or obedience of a child in school, as graded by a teacher.*
24. Visiting other Masonic lodges is a duty and a privilege. T or F

25. Who appoints an examining committee to satisfy themselves that a visitor is a Master Mason in good standing and a member of a regular lodge?  
 (a) Secretary (b) Worshipful Master (c) committee comprises of three Past Masters (d) Senior Warden
26. Only elective officers of the lodge may be called upon to serve on the Examining Committee. T or F
27. Masonic law permits Masonic members to discuss their voting within the confines of the Masonic lodge. T or F
28. What is the responsibility of the Investigating Committee? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
29. Prior personal piques and quarrels with a petitioner for the degrees should have no effect on your personal ballot. T or F
30. How many unfavorable black balls or cubes can reject a petitioner from receiving the degrees of Freemasonry? \_\_\_\_\_
31. \_\_\_\_\_ in good standing are entitled to Masonic Funeral Services which are conducted only at the request of the Master Mason or his immediate family.  
 (a) All Masonic members (b) Fellowcrafts (c) Both a and b (d) Master Masons
32. Which body governs every lodge in Kentucky from which it received its dispensation and charter? \_\_\_\_\_
33. What is a Clandestine Mason? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
34. Where must the lessons of Freemasonry be implanted?  
 (a) Soul (b) Memory (c) Mind (d) Heart
35. After assuming the Obligation of the degree, a bond was created between you and \_\_\_\_\_ of the lodge.  
 (a) your elected officers (b) your fellow lodge brothers (c) your co-workers (d) your Worshipful Master and your first line signer on your petition
36. Signs, Tokens and Words provide a mode of what?  
 (a) Masonic history (b) A secret society (c) A way to recognize other Masons (d) Masonic tradition
37. What working tool of the Master Mason is utilized to cement brothers together and spread brotherly love?  
 (a) Square (b) Trowel (c) Level (d) Plumb

38. What three Grand Masters are highlighted in our rituals concerning the building of the Temple?  
 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
39. The symbol of the Temple for each of us is founded upon the idea that man is a living Temple where God resides. T or F
40. Masons are symbolic temples striving towards the perfection sought for in the Temple of Jerusalem. Our individual temples are:  
 (a) Home, community and work place (b) work place, home and lodge (c) mental, physical and spiritual (d) truth, kindness and charity
41. There were \_\_\_\_\_ ruffians.  
 (a) two (b) three (c) five (d) none of the above
42. The Master Mason Degree teaches no creed, no dogma, no religion, only a hope of immortality. T or F
43. Symbolically, the raising represents our Masonic belief in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) truth (b) immortality of the soul (c) wisdom (d) the best is yet to be
44. The Grand Masonic Word should be given on the five points of fellowship:  
 (a) as quickly as possible (b) in normal speaking voice (c) only in low breath (whisper) (d) and then, in only written form
45. The drama portrayed in the legend of the Hiram was an actual historical event. T or F
46. Our lodges are dedicated to the Holy Saints John. To whom did our ancient Brethren usually dedicate their lodges? \_\_\_\_\_
47. How does Brotherly Love teach us to regard the whole human species?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
48. Of what are we reminded by the Perfect Ashlar?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
49. Of what is the mosaic pavement emblematic?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
50. Of what is the Scythe an emblem? \_\_\_\_\_
51. To whom are the compasses dedicated?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

52. What are the five orders of architecture?  
\_\_\_\_\_
53. In the Fellow Craft degree we are told of the difference between Operative and Speculative Masonry. What do we learn by Speculative Masonry?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
54. Freemasonry regards the \_\_\_\_\_ and not the \_\_\_\_\_ qualifications of a man.  
(a) external, internal (b) internal, external (c) monetary, leadership (d) people, administrative
55. What are the seven liberal arts and sciences?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
56. What science enables us to learn how planets move in their respective orbits and demonstrate their various revolutions? \_\_\_\_\_
57. As speculative Masons, what are we taught is the purpose of the Trowel?  
\_\_\_\_\_
58. What are the three principal rounds of Jacob's ladder denominated? And name the other four:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
59. What was the Dew of Hermon? \_\_\_\_\_
60. Who else may bear or carries rods in lodge? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
61. What are Eve Droppers? \_\_\_\_\_
62. What is Cowans? \_\_\_\_\_
63. What is said to have been the pattern for KS's Temple? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
64. What are the three movable jewels? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

65. What are the three immovable jewels? \_\_\_\_\_
66. What are the Ornaments of the Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
67. What are the three Great Tenets of Masonry? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
68. What are the 4 cardinal virtues of a Freemason?  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
69. What should be the distinguishing characteristic of every Mason?  
The practice of what \_\_\_\_\_
70. What are the 3 principal supports of a Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_
71. Their names: \_\_\_\_\_
72. They are represented by which orders of architecture?  
\_\_\_\_\_
73. What officers in a lodge have Stations?  
\_\_\_\_\_
74. What officers have Places?  
\_\_\_\_\_
75. There are Columns and Rods or Staffs and Implements used by the lodge. Who has columns? \_\_\_\_\_
- Who has rods? \_\_\_\_\_
- Who has Implements? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What color are the staffs of each office? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## MIND BENDER QUESTION:

- A. If a brother went suspended for non payment of dues several years ago. And he wanted to make things right now that he is much older. He wanted pay his indebtedness to the Lodge and clear his name of any past due debts. He had indicated that he wanted to clear his name and withdraw from the lodge in good standing. He filled out a petition for reinstatement as he was told. Sent along with it the (\$80 for 2 years), this being the amount the Secretary indicated that was his indebtedness at the time he went suspended along with an additional \$100 being the amount for the current years dues. The lodge appointed a committee, the petition laid over 28 days, committee reported favorable, ballot spread, and his reinstatement was rejected. The Secretary returned to him only the \$100 that was the current year's dues portion and kept the rest which was the indebtedness that was once owed. Question is: Can this former brother get a demit as he no longer owes the lodge any debt nor does he have any charges pending against him? Yes or No? Explain \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Now the Secretary returned to him all the money (the entire \$180.00). Was this the correct thing to do? Yes or No? Explain \_\_\_\_\_
- C. The man gave the lodge what he owned them and they returned it., does he still owe the lodge any debt which he tried to pay and they refused? Yes or No? \_\_\_\_.
- D. Then why should he still on record as being suspended for non payment of dues at his lodge and at Grand Lodge?
- E. Should the lodge be required to give him a Demit? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Read Section 187

Now that you have completed the Constitution questions and Degree questions we are going to give you the questions and answers to the History portion:

## HISTORY

1. Freemasonry in its present form had its beginning in \_\_\_\_\_ **Lexington** \_\_\_\_\_, Kentucky in year \_\_\_\_ **1800** \_\_\_\_.
2. Who was the leader of the first organized English and Masonic exploration into Kentucky?  
  
(a) Gorge Washington (b) Ben Franklin (c) Thomas Walker (d) **Richard Anderson**
3. The Grand Lodge of \_\_\_\_\_ established the first lodge in Kentucky on November 16, \_\_\_\_\_ in Lexington with \_\_\_\_\_ as its Master.  
  
(a) **Virginia, 1778, Richard Anderson** (b) New York, 1776, George Washington (c) North Carolina, 1777, James Moore (d) Delaware, 1779, Henry Clay
4. On \_\_\_\_\_ representatives met in Lexington and organized the Grand Lodge of Kentucky with \_\_\_\_\_ as Grand Master.  
  
(a) October 16, 1799, Henry Clay (b) **October 16, 1800, William Murray** (c) October 19, 1790, George M. Bibb (d) October 15, 1788, Samuel Daviess
5. Kentucky was the first Grand Lodge organized west of the Appalachian Mountains. **T** or F
6. The Volume of the Sacred Law is referred to as \_\_\_\_\_ **The Holy Bible** \_\_\_\_\_.
7. As distances prevented Kentuckians from receiving the benefits of \_\_ **Masonic Charity** \_\_\_\_\_, this was cited as one of the primary reasons for forming a new Grand Lodge of Kentucky when it was established.  
  
(a) Masonic education (b) **Masonic Charity** (c) Masonic leadership (d) Membership
8. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky acquired and operated a Masonic College/University. **T** or F
9. What kind of Masonic institution of its type did Kentucky Freemasons in North America first sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_ **Masonic Widows and Orphanage Home** \_\_\_\_\_

10. Kentucky Masonry has been involved with the operation of two long- term health care facilities and an orphanage. **T** or **F**
11. In all probability, when did Freemasonry come to North America? **1733**
12. When and where did modern Freemasonry's formal organization begin?  
**Answer: It was started in England in 1717 with the formation of the United Grand Lodge of England.**
13. There are \_\_ Grand Lodges or Jurisdictions in the United States. Which one is not a State? **DC (a)50(b)51(c)45(d)52**
14. The two oldest Grand Lodges in the world are located in **\_England and North America**
15. How many Presidents of the United States of America were or are Masons? Name as many Presidents as you can **15**

**George Washington, 1st President, 1789 - 1797, Commanding General during American Revolution, made a Mason August 4, 1753, in Fredericksburg Lodge (now No. 4), A. F. & A. M., Fredericksburg, Virginia.**

**James Monroe, 5th President, 1817 - 1825, made a Mason November 9, 1775, in Williamsburg Lodge (now No. 6), A.F. & A.M., Williamsburg, Virginia.**

**Andrew Jackson, 7th President, 1829 - 1837 Harmony Lodge No. 1, Nashville, Tennessee, an Honorary Member of Federal Lodge No. 1, F. & A.M., Washington, D.C., and Jackson Lodge No. 1, F. & A.M., Tallahassee, Florida. In 1822 and 1823 he served as the Grand Master of Masons in Tennessee.**

**James Knox Polk, 11th President, 1845 - 1849, made a Mason September 4, 1820, in Columbia Lodge No. 31, F. & A.M., Columbia, Tennessee.**

**James Buchanan, 15th President, 1857 - 1861, made a Mason January 24, 1817, in Lodge No. 43 (it has no name), F. & A.M., Lancaster, Pennsylvania.**

**Andrew Johnson, 17th President, 1865 - 1869, made a Mason during May, 1851, in Greeneville Lodge No. 119 (now No. 3), F. & A.M., Greeneville, Tennessee.**

**James Abram Garfield, 20th President. 1881, made a Mason November 22, 1864, in Columbus Lodge No. 30 F. & A.M., Columbus, Ohio.**

**William McKinley, 25th President, 1897 - 1901, made a Mason May 3, 1865, in Hiram Lodge No. 21, A.F. & A.M., Winchester, Virginia.**

**Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President, 1901 - 1909, made a Mason April 24, 1901, in Matinecock Lodge No. 806, F. & A.M., Oyster Bay, New York.**

**William Howard Taft, 27th President, 1909 - 1913 - Chief Justice Supreme Court 1921 - 1930, made a "Mason at Sight" in an "Occasional Lodge" called for that purpose on February 18, 1909, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Cincinnati, Ohio, by Charles S. Hoskinson, Grand Master of Masons in Ohio.**

**Warren Gamaliel Harding, 29th President, 1921 - 1923, made a Mason August 27, 1920, in Marion Lodge No. 70, F. & A.M., Marion, Ohio.**

**Franklin Delano Roosevelt, 32nd President, 1933 - 1945, made a Mason Nov 28, 1911, in Holland Lodge No. 8, F. & A.M., New York, New York, the same Lodge in**

which George Washington, the Nation's first President, held Honorary membership.

Harry S. Truman, 33rd President, 1945 - 1951, made a Mason March 18, 1909, in Belton Lodge No. 450, A.F. & A.M., Belton, Missouri. He served as the Grand Master of Masons of Missouri in 1940.

Initiated: February 9, 1909, Belton Lodge No. 450, Belton, Missouri.

In 1911, several Members of Belton Lodge separated to establish Grandview Lodge No. 618, Grandview, Missouri, and Brother Truman served as its first Worshipful Master. At the Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, September 24-25, 1940, Brother Truman was elected (by a landslide) the ninety-seventh Grand Master of Masons of Missouri, and served until October 1, 1941. Brother and President Truman was made a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, and Honorary Member, Supreme Council on October 19, 1945 at the Supreme Council A.A.S.R. Southern Jurisdiction Headquarters in Washington D.C., upon which occasion he served as Exemplar (Representative) for his Class. He was also elected an Honorary Grand Master of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay. On May 18, 1959, Brother and Former President Truman was presented with a fifty-year award, the only U.S. President to reach that golden anniversary in Freemasonry.

Gerald R. Ford, Jr. 38th President, 1974 - 1977. He was raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on May 18, 1951 in Columbia Lodge No. 3, F. & A.M., of Washington, D.C., as a courtesy for Malta Lodge No. 465, F. & A.M. of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Lyndon Baines Johnson 1908-1973. 36th President, 1963 - 1969. Entered Apprentice degree Johnson City Lodge No. 561, Johnson City, Texas October 30, 1937. Did not advance

16. Name the President(s) of the United States of America who also served as Grand Master of Masons for his Grand Lodge. \_\_\_\_ Andrew Jackson TN and Harry Truman MO.