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Executive Branch Quiz **Test Form A**

Section 1: The Electoral College

1. What is the total number of electors in the Electoral College?
2. How many electors are there for New Jersey in the Electoral College?
3. What does the Electoral College do?
4. Why was the Electoral College created?
5. Complete the chart below for an election in Kirkland using the information the chart gives you to complete the last two columns. Then answer the questions below the chart.

States	Electoral Votes	Total votes cast by electors	Jake's Popular Vote	Sam's Popular Vote	Jake's Electoral Votes	Sam's Electoral Votes
Period 2	17	1700	800	900		
Period 3	21	2100	1300	800		
Period 4	55	5500	3100	2400		
Period 6	34	3400	1400	2000		
Period 8	4	400	100	300		
Totals	131	13,100	6700	6400		

6. How many states did Jake carry? _____
 7. How many states did Sam carry? _____
 8. How many popular votes did Jake receive? _____
 9. How many popular votes did Sam receive? _____
 10. As we know, it takes a simple majority to win the Presidency; therefore how many electoral votes will it take to win the above imaginary situation? _____
 11. How many electoral votes did Jake receive? _____
 12. How many electoral votes did Sam receive? _____
 13. Which candidate won according to the Electoral College?
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Section 2: Jobs of the President

The U.S. President has the most powerful job in the world. It's like working seven jobs at once—some people say he wears seven hats. See if you can match each of the President's jobs, described below at left, with a real President's action, listed below in the column at right.

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Chief of the Executive Branch	A. President Richard M. Nixon visits China to improve relations with that country.
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces	B. President Bill Clinton balances the federal budget.
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Head of State	C. President Ronald Reagan campaigns for fellow Republicans running for Congress.
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Director of Foreign Policy	D. President George H.W. Bush entertains the Queen of England at the White House.
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Head of Political Party	E. President John F. Kennedy issues an Executive Order to launch the Peace Corps.
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Economic Guardian	F. President Lyndon B. Johnson signs the Voting Rights Act of 1965.
<input type="checkbox"/> 7. Legislative Leader	G. President George W. Bush sends U.S. combat troops to Iraq.

Section 3: Presidential Succession

Number the following jobs in the order of who would become the president if he dies.

- 1. Secretary of State
- 2. Speaker of the House
- 3. Vice-President
- 4. Director of Homeland Security
- 5. President Pro Tempore