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Exercise 1: Complete the Following Statements with what is appropriate (9pts)

1. The US constitution consists of **the Preamble, 7 Articles and 27 Amendments**
2. The number of electors from each state is equal to the number of **representatives for each state plus two senators**
3. Federal laws are enacted by **Congress**, the president **approves** them while the courts **interpret** them and decide whether they are **constitutional**
4. **The Articles of Confederation** were the basic law for the USA until the current constitution became functional in **1789**
5. Early American political thought was influenced by the theory of **Social Contract** expressed by **John Lock** in his book *On Civil Government* (1690). This theory guaranteed certain **natural rights**
6. **Constitutional Convention** was an important meeting between states' delegates to craft the Nation's first official document
7. The issue of **representation** was solved by the **Connecticut Compromise** which provided for **bicameral** Legislation

Exercise 2: Are the following statements true or false? Correct the false ones. (6pts)

1. The Lame Duck refers to the period of time before the inauguration of the new president. **F** it is used to refer to a president who is leaving office because a new president has been elected.
2. The Candidate who wins the popular vote becomes the United States President. **F.A** candidate must receive an absolute majority of electoral votes (270) to win the presidency
3. In the primaries, presidential candidates run against candidates from the other political party **F** run against candidates from the same party
4. The Vice President is chosen by the Senate to act as the head of the House. **F** Vice-President is the other elected person in the executive branch

5. After the constitution was nationally accepted, there was no struggle for ratification **F.:**
there was a struggle between the federalists and anti-federalists.

6. The states' rights doctrine emphasizes the idea that states laws were supreme **True**

Exercise 3: Select the key stages and sub-events of the US Presidential election process from the box and place them in the table. (5pts)

Primaries and caucuses - a party's platform is officially presented - The inauguration - Selection of a vice presidential candidate- Election Day - Candidates compete for the party's nomination - The general election campaigns - The opening of the political Convention - The Electoral College - Formal Announcement of parties' presidential nominees - The candidate that gets 270 of electoral vote wins - The swearing in ceremonies - Candidates travel around the country in order to express their plans to the public - People step into Ballot box to select their President

Stage1 Primaries and Caucuses	Stage2 The opening of the political Convention	Stage3 The general election campaigns	Stage4 Election Day	Stage5 The electoral College	Stage6 Inauguration
Sub-events	Sub-events	Sub-events	Sub -events	Sub-events	Sub-events
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N.B. Spelling Mistakes are counted

All the best

