University of Eloued/ Faculty of Arts and Languages

Department of Arts and English Language

Second Semester Examination in American Civilization

Master I level

Task 1. See whether the statements in the table below are true or false; if false correct them (9pts)

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| Statements | True | False |
| 1. Before the American revolution, the colonies in the Americas viewed the European countries as their own property, which existed in order to serve the settlements' interests.  The story is the other way around. It is the European countries that considered the colonies as their own property, which existed to serve the interests of Europe |  | 🗸 |
| 2. Before the war of Independence, the Colonies were controlled by elected governors, who were confirmed in their positions by the British Crown  Before the war of Independence, the Colonies were controlled by **appointed** governors, who were confirmed in their positions by the British Crown |  | 🗸 |
| 3. In the Stamp Act Congress, the colonies voted and declared that the Parliament did not have the right to pass taxes on the colonies because the colonists did not have money to pay for it.  The colonies voted and declared that the Parliament did not have the right to pass taxes on the colonies because they did not have any representation in Parliament |  |  |
| 4. In 1774, the First Continental Congress debated the issues of the rights of colonies as a united group.  …………………………………………………………………………………………  ……………………………………………………………………………………….. | 🗸 |  |
| 5. In an effort to avoid the war, the first Continental Congress met In May of 1775 and passed a resolution known as the Olive Branch Petition.  It is the second continental that passed this resolution |  | 🗸 |
| 6. The Boston Massacre caused the death of hundreds of people in Boston.  This massacre cost the death of four people |  | 🗸 |

Task 2.In response to the Boston Tea Party, the Parliament in Great Britain passed a number of new laws meant to punish the Bostonian community on three different levels. Explain. (4pts)

At the financial level economic level, the this community had been punished by the closure of Boston Harbor depriving them from commercial exchange with other states and nations.

At the financial level, Boston community were required paid for the cost of the tea that had been dumped into the harbor.

At the administrative level, the capital of Boston had been changed to Salem

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Task 3.Explain how a bill can become a law in the USA. (4pts)

1. When passed by the Congress, and then signed by the President.
2. When passed by the Congress but not signed by the president within a period of 10 day excluding Saturdays and Sudays.
3. When the Bill is vetoed by the president and the Both Houses of Congress override the this veto with 2/3 majority/

Task 4. In the USA, three officials can preside over the Senate sessions. Who are these officials, and on what grounds they can exercise this position? (3pts)

1. The US Vice-President is the Head of the Senate with the force of the Constitution
2. The President pro-tempore presides over the sessions of the Senate when the Vice- President works in the Executive, or when he is out of the country with the President, or assigned a mission by the President.
3. The Chief Justice in the session of president's impeachment.

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