

# Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F&AM

## The Books of Constitution Quiz

**Directions:** The following questions have been developed to help lodges review their understanding of the **Grand Lodge of Kentucky Books of Constitution**. Please read each question carefully along with all answer choices before making your selection. List the section of the Constitution required to answer the question in the area beside the answer choices. Please remember that the Standing Resolutions and the Digest are part of the Books of Constitution, too. The answer will not be correct without the section of the Constitution, Standing Resolution number, or section of the Digest. Answers must come from the revised Books of Constitution. Entries from previous versions will not be accepted. To satisfy the requirement for the Excellence Award, 36 out of 40 questions must be answered correctly.

The answer sheet is a fillable form if you want to enter your answer using the keyboard. Enter your answers, save the file to your computer, and attach it to an email. Send it to [bobby@bobbygriggs.com](mailto:bobby@bobbygriggs.com), and I will grade it as quickly as possible.

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1. Before a brother may be suspended for non-payment of dues he must be properly informed of his indebtedness and when the Lodge will consider his suspension. He should be notified by \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. UPS.
  - b. A telephone call.
  - c. First class mail.
  - d. At least two weeks before the meeting to vote on suspension.
  
2. To suspend a Brother for non-payment of dues requires approval by what number of those present \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. A simple majority.
  - b. A unanimous vote
  - c. 3/4
  - d. No more than 2 negative votes.
  
3. Dues can only be remitted by \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. The Master of the lodge.
  - b. The Master and the Secretary of the lodge.
  - c. All the elected officers of the lodge.
  - d. Three-fourths of the member present at any stated communication.
  
4. Brother Jeff Barrett was suspended from Wood Smoke Lodge #6390 for non-payment of dues. To be reaffiliated with Wood Smoke Lodge, he must repetition the Lodge, be investigated, one year's dues plus current dues, and be re-elected by \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. A simple majority of those present.
  - b. A unanimous ballot of those present.
  - c. A 2/3 majority of those present.
  - d. A 3/4 majority of those present
  
5. Each Lodge must read and report in its minutes by a stated communication in the second month following the end of the lodge's fiscal year \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. A complete audit showing monies on hand, total disbursements, etc.
  - b. Approval of its bylaws
  - c. A list of all Life members
  - d. A background check on the new Master, Senior Warden, and Junior Warden.
  
6. Ballots that can be voted on collectively are \_\_\_\_\_?
  - a. Wavier of jurisdiction.
  - b. Candidates for the Degrees.
  - c. Dual Membership.
  - d. All Ballots.

7. An Entered Apprentice returning his proficiency is \_\_\_\_\_?
- Is required to answer questions up to the obligation.
  - Is required to answer all questions of the first section though the explanation of the working tools.
  - Is required to answer questions of the first and second sections.
  - Is required to recite only the obligation from memory.
8. A petition for degrees or affiliation by demit shall not be balloted on by any lodge \_\_\_\_\_?
- Unless the petitioner is present at the lodge.
  - Unless he had been recommended by a Master Mason.
  - Unless the petitioner has been a continuously a bona fide resident of its jurisdiction for at least six months.
  - Until the Master determines the petitioner to be worthy.
9. A Lodge that is performing a Masonic Burial may postpone their regularly stated communication when \_\_\_\_\_?
- Approval is given by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky
  - There is a 2/3 vote passed by the Brothers of the Lodge
  - It is improper to postpone the stated communication.
  - Secretary reports it in the minutes
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ shall see that monthly reports are made to Grand Lodge Office?
- Senior Warden
  - Master
  - Secretary
  - Junior Warden
11. A letter from another subordinate lodge announcing the nomination of one of its members for an elective Grand Lodge office \_\_\_\_\_?
- The Secretary is not required to read the letter in open lodge.
  - The letter is an official communication and the Secretary is required to read the letter in open Lodge.
  - The Secretary is only required to announce receiving the letter.
  - The Secretary may summarize the letter.
12. No petition for degrees or affiliation by demit shall be balloted on by any lodge, unless the petitioner shall have been continuously a bonafide resident of its jurisdiction for at least \_\_\_\_\_ or obtained a waiver from the lodge having jurisdiction of him?
- 3 months
  - 9 months
  - 12 months
  - 6 months

13. Masonic lodge meetings can be held \_\_\_\_\_?
- Anywhere a lodge wants.
  - When 3 or more assemble
  - Only by virtue of a dispensation or a charter issued by the Grand Lodge or Kentucky.
  - Only with permission from their District Deputy Grand Master.
14. A ballot can be discussed in open lodge by \_\_\_\_\_?
- Master and Wardens
  - No one
  - Investigating Committee
  - Members that personally know the petitioner
15. A ballot must be \_\_\_\_\_ to elect a candidate to receive the degrees or for affiliation with a lodge?
- 2/3 of the member's present
  - 3/4 of the member's present
  - Unanimous
  - 1/2 of the member's present
16. When a ballot for the three degrees on one (1) candidate receives one (1) black ball/cube the first ballot is \_\_\_\_\_?
- Rejected.
  - Discussed among the member's present.
  - Appealed by the investigating committee.
  - Destroyed and ballot again.
17. Can the Senior Warden or Junior Warden, while serving as Master Pro-tem, call a Master Mason to the East to serve as acting Master \_\_\_\_\_?
- Only if they remain in the room while the brother is presiding.
  - Only the Master can call a brother to the East.
  - They may call a brother to the East if they need to leave the lodge room for a moment.
  - Only if the members present agree.
18. Is a lodge required to investigate if prejudicial statements about a brother's character are being circulated \_\_\_\_\_?
- An investigation is not required unless the brother requests one.
  - The lodge may only investigate after asking the brother if he feels an investigation into the matter is warranted.
  - The lodge must investigate even if the brother does not want the statements investigated.
  - A 2/3 vote of the membership is required to launch an investigation into the matter.

19. A Brother, who is a member of Imaginary Lodge # 5, wishes to re-affiliate with a Pretend Lodge #9 from which he previously demitted. The ballot results must be \_\_\_\_\_?
- Two-thirds of member's present.
  - Unanimous.
  - Three-fourths of member's present.
  - Less than three black balls.
20. May a Master of a lodge be suspended by another lodge where he is a plural member \_\_\_\_\_?
- If the brother is not Master of the lodge voting to suspend, he may be suspended for non-payment and the suspension will not conflict with any other section of the Constitution.
  - A sitting Master of lodge may not be suspended for non-payment by the lodge where he is serving as Master.
  - A sitting Master of a lodge may not be suspended by that lodge or any other lodge of which he is a member.
  - The plural lodge must ask the lodge where the member is serving as Master for permission to suspend the brother.
21. A lodge cannot reconsider or rescind a ballot for the degrees or affiliation unless \_\_\_\_\_?
- An appeal is made at the time the ballot is taken.
  - A Brother announces he is unhappy with the outcome of the ballot.
  - Never, the action of the lodge shall be final.
  - If Grand Lodge agrees.
22. The Master's duties of lodge A empower him to announce with notice a called communication to hear the proficiency of a EA, FC, or MM who has returned from out of town work and will leave again before the next stated meeting.
- Yes, the Master can call communications of his lodge as provided in the Constitution.
  - Yes, the Master can if he has the permission of the Grand Master.
  - No, the Master cannot call communications at any time.
  - No, proficiencies can only be examined at stated communications.
23. The Master needing to hold a called communication to hear the proficiency of an EA, FC, or MM needs to contact who and charge them to give notice to the craft.
- The Grand Master, District Deputy, and the Grand Secretary.
  - The Secretary of the lodge.
  - The Senior Warden and Junior Warden of the lodge.
  - The Senior Steward and Junior Steward of the lodge.

24. The method that notice to the craft of a called communication can be given is by \_\_\_\_\_?
- Notice hung on the lodge door.
  - Facebook, lodge, or district web page.
  - Ad in the local paper.
  - Announced at the prior stated meeting, mail, electronic email, or mass phone communication.
25. Requesting for or replying to a Waiver of Jurisdiction shall be sent by \_\_\_\_\_?
- Certified Mail with Return Receipt
  - First Class Mail
  - Certified Mail
  - Hand delivered.
26. The vote on a waiver of jurisdiction shall be by ballot and will be granted if it is a \_\_\_\_\_?
- Majority vote of the members present.
  - Unanimous ballot of the member's present.
  - Ballot with less than three against.
  - A 3/4 vote of the members present.
27. A petitioner for affiliation who is rejected \_\_\_\_\_?
- May not petition any other lodge for affiliation for 3 months.
  - May not petition any other lodge for affiliation for 1 year.
  - His certificate of demit shall be restored to him.
  - Must apply for a new demit.
28. Which of these statements is true \_\_\_\_\_?
- Dues become delinquent on January 1, and those delinquents may be suspended in April.
  - Dues become delinquent on April 1, and those delinquents may be suspended immediately.
  - Dues become delinquent on December 31, and those delinquents may be suspended in January.
  - A lodge may determine when dues become delinquent and suspension may occur.
29. If a member secures a demit during the year, \_\_\_\_\_?
- His dues will cease at the end of that year.
  - The lodge he demits from provides him with a partial refund of dues.
  - His dues will cease upon issuance of the demit.
  - He can still vote in the lodge until the end of the year.
30. Pretty Lodge #9870 has 30 members. It mailed its assessment to the Grand Lodge on August 29. The Grand Secretary's Office received it on September 3 \_\_\_\_\_?
- The Grand Secretary is directed to assess a fine.
  - Since it was postmarked on August 29, no fine may be assessed.
  - The Master may arrest its Charter.
  - The lodge Secretary may be reprimanded by the Grand Secretary.

31. When can the examination of proficiencies be held for an EA, FC, or MM?
- Examinations can only be heard at regular stated communications.
  - Examinations can be heard anytime, anywhere, and anyplace.
  - Examinations can be heard at called or stated communications.
  - Examinations can be heard one hour before the stated communication.
32. Examination of proficiencies are declared satisfactory and accepted by \_\_\_\_\_?
- The Master and the elected officers of the lodge only.
  - Majority of the members present.
  - By all who are present, including visitors and honorary members.
  - District Deputy or elected Grand Lodge officers.
33. Examination of proficiencies can be accepted by what type of vote of members present?
- Examinations can only be accepted by ballot.
  - Examinations can be accepted by a secret mail-in ballot.
  - Examinations can be accepted by voice vote or show of hands.
  - Examinations do not need to be voted or balloted on.
34. May examinations of proficiencies and degree work be held at the same called meeting?
- No, they must be at different times and dates.
  - No, because the lodge will have to open on two different degrees.
  - Yes, if both actions are specified in the notice to the craft of the called communication.
  - Yes, if the District Deputy and Grand Master are notified.
35. Mark Pennington of Instability Lodge # 2244 has previously demitted from the lodge. He belongs to no other lodge. He petitions for re-affiliation. There are 30 present and voting. What is the minimum number of votes needed to allow him to re-affiliate?
- 30
  - 16
  - 23
  - 24
36. Tim New of Anywhere lives in the jurisdiction of Anywhere Lodge #1000 of Pike County wishes to join Somewhere Lodge # 3212 of Fulton County. He seeks a waiver of jurisdiction from Anywhere Lodge. There are 30 members present and voting. How many positive votes does he need for the waiver to be issued?
- 27
  - 28
  - 30
  - 20

37. Which is not a valid masonic penalty?
- Fine
  - Reprimand
  - Expulsion
  - Public censure
38. A FellowCraft mason is not expected to live long enough to fulfill the time requirement to be raised. Which of the following can occur?
- The Grand Master can make him a Master Mason at sight.
  - His Master can make him a Master Mason at sight.
  - In Kentucky, it is not legitimate to make one a Master Mason at sight.
  - The Grand Secretary can issue a statement that he is a Master Mason.
39. Kensington Lodge has a stated communication on Saint John's Night for election and installation of officers. If a brother requests a demit, what action can be taken?
- Since it is election and installation of officers, no action can be taken.
  - The Master will have a called communication to act on the request.
  - Since it is a stated communication, the Master will direct that demit be granted without vote from the lodge.
  - The lodge will vote on whether to issue a demit.
40. Harmonica Lodge has voted to change the date and time of their stated communication. What action must the take for approval?
- The Grand Master decides approval of the action.
  - The Committee on Jurisprudence decides approval of the action.
  - The Committee on By-laws decides approval of the action.
  - No approval is needed.