

Handouts C-D Answer Keys

Handout C: The Suffrage Amendments Answer Key

Amendment XV: Neither the federal nor state governments can stop people from voting because of their race, or because they used to be a slave.

Amendment XIX: Neither the federal nor state governments can stop people from voting because they are female.

Amendment XXIII: For presidential elections, Washington, D.C. will now have the same number of electors it would have if it were a state (as long as that number is not more than the state with the fewest people.)

Amendment XXIV: Neither the federal nor state governments can stop people from voting because they cannot pay a poll or other tax.

Amendment XXVI: Neither the federal nor state governments can stop people from voting because of their age, as long as they are 18 or older.

Handout D: Alice Paul Answer Key

1. Alice Paul was arrested in London because she attended demonstrations of groups who were working to win voting rights for women in Britain.
2. She decided to go on a hunger strike in order to bring attention to the demonstrators' imprisonment. Authorities force-fed the women in order to prevent them from dying and becoming martyrs for the cause.
3. Paul's National Woman's Party worked for women's suffrage in the U.S. by organizing demonstrations and parades, writing and distributing leaflets, and conducting daily pickets in front of the White House to address Wilson directly and use his words to make their case. Demonstrators burned copies of Wilson's speeches, burned an effigy of Wilson at the White House gates, and continued their efforts during World War I.
4. Paul continued her militant actions in order to keep public attention on the issue of women's suffrage. Eventually, Wilson acknowledged public opinion and ordered the suffragists released from prison.
5. Accept reasoned responses regarding a eulogy for Alice Paul and how the struggle for women's suffrage should be remembered.