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Fixing Elections

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Why was the 12th Amendment created?
 - a) To make elections faster and easier
 - b) To change how Congress chooses the president
 - c) To prevent problems like the election of 1800
 - d) To stop political parties from forming

2. How did the original Electoral College system work?
 - a) Electors voted for one candidate, and the winner became president.
 - b) The president was elected by the Supreme Court.
 - c) The president and vice president were chosen by Congress.
 - d) Electors voted for two candidates, and the person with the most votes became president.

3. What was the biggest problem in the election of 1800?
 - a) People did not vote in the election.
 - b) The House of Representatives refused to count the votes.
 - c) Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr tied in the Electoral College.
 - d) The electors forgot to cast their votes.

4. What is one change the 12th Amendment made?
 - a) It gave Congress the power to choose the president.
 - b) It made electors vote separately for president and vice president.
 - c) It got rid of the Electoral College.
 - d) It allowed people to vote directly for the president.

5. Why do some people still debate the Electoral College today?
 - a) Some believe the system is unfair and should be changed.
 - b) The 12th Amendment stopped working.
 - c) No one understands how voting works.
 - d) The president is chosen by Congress instead of the people.

