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## **The Watergate Scandal Web-quest**

**Directions:** *Go to the following site listed below and answer the following questions in complete sentences.*

<http://www.historyplace.com/unitedstates/impeachments/index.html>

1.-6. There have been three presidential impeachment proceedings in American history. Who were they against and why did they occur?

a.

b.

c.

7. Briefly describe the impeachment process.

8. Who has the power of impeachment?

9. Who proceeds over the trial of the president once he has been impeached?

10. Briefly discuss Nixon's political career. What offices did he hold?

11. What happened on June 17, 1972? **BE SPECIFIC!**

12. The investigations revealed that all the men were a part of what committee?
13. What was President Nixon's role with the break-in incident?
14. What did the *New York Times* reveal in 1970?
15. What was Nixon's response?
16. What were the Pentagon Papers?
17. What was the purpose of the "Plumbers" unit?
- 18.-19. Why did the plumbers break in to a psychiatrist's office? What had Ellsberg done?
20. What was the purpose of the Watergate break-in?
- 21.-22. Who did Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein work for? What role did they play?
23. What was discovered about Attorney General John Mitchell?
24. Define the term 'dirty trick'. (Don't give me an example, come up with a definition).

25.-26. What was established in February of 1973? What was its purpose?

27.-28. Who was James McCord? What did he tell Judge Sirica?

29. Why did FBI director L. Patrick Gray resign?

30.-37. The resignation of Gray led to the registration of other top official. Give me their names and positions. (There are four)

38. Former Presidential Counsel John Dean testified to what in-front of the Senate Select Committee?

39. What became the focus of the battle between the three branches of government?

40. What did the Special Prosecutor, Archibald Cox, vow he would do?

41. What event led American's to call for the impeachment of Nixon?

42.-43. After Nixon agreed to turn over some of the tapes what was revealed? (There are two things) Who was blamed?

44.-45. What did Nixon release in November of 1973, instead of the tapes? Why did this cause a national sensation?

46. What role did the Supreme Court play?

47.-52. What three articles of impeachment did the House Judiciary Committee approve? (Give both the article number and what area each represented)

53. What revelation resulted in the complete collapse of support for Nixon in Congress?

54.-55. What happened on August 9, 1974? What did Nixon avoid by doing this?

56. Nixon was the only president to do what in history?

57.-58. Who became the 38<sup>th</sup> President of the United States? What did he grant to Nixon?

59. In all, how many officials from Nixon's administration were convicted and imprisoned because of his actions.

60. Do you believe Nixon should have been impeached? Why or why not?