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The constitutional amendments

How Well Do You Know Your Rights?

Each statement on the grid below is based on one of the amendments to the Constitution. Some of the statements are true and others are false. Read each statement. Write a + in the circle if the statement is true and a - in the circle if the statement is false. Then decide which amendment is being addressed in each statement. Write the number of the amendment on the line under each statement.



<input type="radio"/> T 1. You may be charged a fee in order to vote. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> C 2. The police may come inside your home at any time to conduct a search. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> I 3. Women can vote. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> M 4. You may have a lawyer defend you in a trial, even if you can't afford one. Amendment # _____
<input type="radio"/> E 5. A judge can send you to jail without a trial if he is sure you are guilty. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> E 6. Slavery is no longer legal. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> S 7. You have to be at least 18 years old to vote. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> E 8. You cannot own a gun unless you have served in the military. Amendment # _____
<input type="radio"/> A 9. You do not have to testify if you are the one on trial. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> B 10. Newspapers can print opinions about government even if the opinions are critical. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> N 11. People who live in the District of Columbia cannot vote for president. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> D 12. All alcohol sales are legal. Amendment # _____
<input type="radio"/> S 13. The federal government may collect income taxes. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> E 14. A president may serve for 12 years. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> P 15. Police can treat you cruelly if you are found guilty of a crime. Amendment # _____	<input type="radio"/> R 16. You are entitled to rights other than those listed in the Constitution. Amendment # _____

Of all the delegates, only George Washington and James Madison had something special in common. What was it? To find out, cut apart the 16 boxes. Arrange them in order of the amendments. The letters in the upper right-hand corner of each grid will spell out the answer.

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How to Use This Book: Use this book to extend your students' knowledge of the Constitution. Or provide each student with a copy of the Constitution. Then have them research each statement in order to determine whether it fits an amendment.