

# The Bill of Rights

Activity 5: Bill of Rights – Describe each of the first 10 amendments in your own words.

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The situations below are not allowed by the Bill of Rights. Read each situation and then write down the number of the Amendment that prohibits the action. You will only use the first 10 amendments.

1. \_\_\_ Luke was found innocent of armed robbery, but the state decided to bring him to trial again anyway.
2. \_\_\_ After being found guilty of driving while intoxicated, the court ordered that Carolyn spend the next 30 years in solitary confinement.
3. \_\_\_ The citizens of Upper Creek voted to double the taxes of all Catholics.
4. \_\_\_ In a civil trial where the dispute was more than \$20, both sides were denied a jury trial.
5. \_\_\_ For no apparent reason, the police stopped Rita while she was driving and began to search through her car trunk and personal luggage.
6. \_\_\_ The United States attorney general ordered all American citizens to turn in their rifles and pistols by noon on Saturday.
7. \_\_\_ Judge M.T. Nasty ordered a doctor to cut off the right hand of Marty, a convicted pickpocket.
8. \_\_\_ The federal government decided that state governments were no longer necessary.
9. \_\_\_ The president declared that the only rights Americans have are those listed in the first eight amendments.
10. \_\_\_ A United States representative prohibited a local newspaper from printing an editorial that was critical of her record.
11. \_\_\_ During peacetime the army ordered the residents of Seaville to house its soldiers.
12. \_\_\_ A group of labor leaders was told that it could not conduct a peaceful rally in the town square.
13. \_\_\_ Henry was arrested for shoplifting but was not brought to trial for five years.
14. \_\_\_ The judge insisted that the defendant take the stand and explain his actions on the night of the alleged crime.
15. \_\_\_ The police decided to place a "bug" in Kevin's home phone in the hope that they would uncover some kind of crime.
16. \_\_\_ Congress passed a law banning the practice of Buddhism in the United States.
17. \_\_\_ Congress told the state of Montana that it would no longer be able to issue marriage licenses
18. \_\_\_ Melissa was arrested and placed in jail without being informed of the nature or cause of the accusation.
19. \_\_\_ After being charged with arson, Nathaniel was denied the right of counsel for his defense.
20. \_\_\_ Judge Stone placed Kyle's bail for cheating on a

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