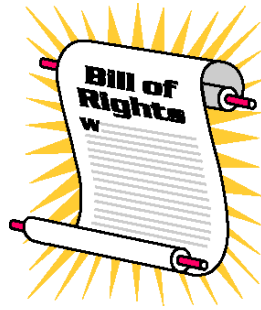


The Bill of Rights Mini-Poster

Due November 18/21, 2016



The United States Constitution has endured for over two hundred years as the supreme law of our land. It is a living document that is central to American life. The language of the Constitution is not overly restrictive, thus its words have transcended time. The Bill of Rights ensured the passage of the Constitution. Ratified in 1791, the Bill of Rights contains ten amendments that work to protect Americans' personal liberties that many feared would be weakened under the new Constitution. Today, these amendments continue to protect Americans' personal liberties. They are a part of the living Constitution that is constantly interpreted in an effort to maintain framers' principles in an ever-changing society.

The Bill of Rights:

- 1st Amendment- Freedom of Expression
- 2nd Amendment- Right to Bear Arms
- 3rd Amendment- Quartering of Troops
- 4th Amendment- Unreasonable Search and Seizures
- 5th Amendment- Due Process of Law
- 6th Amendment- Right to a Fair Trial
- 7th Amendment- Trial by Jury
- 8th Amendment- Cruel and Unusual Punishment
- 9th Amendment- Unenumerated Rights
- 10th Amendment- States' Rights

Your Task: You will create a poster/ collage describing one of the first ten amendments to the Constitution to inform your classmates about its meaning and importance in early America and today.

Your Poster/ Collage Must Include the Following Information:

- ❖ The main heading of the amendment (States' Rights, Trial by Jury, etc)
- ❖ A collection of pictures (no less than 10) expressing the meaning of the amendment as well as how the amendment has been violated or challenged
- ❖ (on the back) A short interpretation of why/ how the amendment helps to protect the rights of citizens (1-2 paragraphs).
- ❖ ALL on poster/ paper 11in X 17in

Bill of Rights Poster Project Rubric

Amendment Basics (5 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name of amendment is at the top of the poster in big, bold words• Text of the amendment is included in the poster
Pictures (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pictures are representative of the amendment• Illustrates the amendment in action or important ideas and concepts to the amendment• Pictures are easy to interpret
Neatness and Mechanics (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing is neat and easy to read• Poster is aesthetically pleasing• Includes proper mechanics, grammar, and spelling

Total: _____/25

