Amendment Scenarios

A person who enters a room and screams “Bomb!” just to see the reaction of the people in the room is protected under provisions in the Bill of Rights.

Agree/Disagree: Disagree
Amendment: 1st...freedom of speech must be used responsibly

Members of Congress can learn many different things – such as what you like and dislike about the area where you live – from letters you send to them.

Agree/Disagree: Agree
Amendment: 1st...right to petition for grievances

A police officer comes to your door and asks to search your home without probable cause. You don’t want to allow the officer to enter, but he is allowed to search your home.

Agree/Disagree: Disagree
Amendment: 4th...all government officials must have a warrant of probable cause

Violence is getting to the point in our society where they should stop letting civilians own guns.

Agree/Disagree: Agree
Amendment: 2nd...citizens have the right to own a weapon

A person is convicted of murdering another human being. Later, it is discovered that the victim of that murder had actually faked his or her death. Under those circumstances, it would be legal for the person convicted of the murder to kill the person who faked his/her death.

Agree/Disagree: Agree (technically)
Amendment: 5th...protects against double jeopardy, tried for same offense twice

The Death Penalty is a good way to punish those who murder another human being.

Agree/Disagree: Agree or Disagree (subjective)
Amendment: 8th...protection against cruel and unusual punishment

If a power is not expressed in the Constitution, then it is the responsibility of the individual states to protect citizens’ rights.

Agree/Disagree: Agrees
Amendment: 10th...states or people given powers not granted to national govt.

Your parents own a house. They invest hours of time and many thousands of dollar into it. The government can take your parents house and land away so a highway can be built on the land.

Agree/Disagree: Disagree
Amendment: 5th...government cannot take private property away for public use without payment

If you are convicted of a crime, the government cannot take your parents’ house and land away so a highway can be built on the land.

Agree/Disagree: Agree
Amendment: 5th...government cannot take private property away for public use without payment
• After the attacks on September 11th, the U.S. Congress has resolved that people are not free to practice the Islamic religion in the United States.
  • Agree/Disagree: Disagree
  • Amendment: 1st…federal government cannot make no law prohibiting a religion.

• A person involved in a monetary dispute is permitted to take his or her complaint to a civil court.
  • Agree/Disagree: Agree
  • Amendment: 7th…all persons in a civil case (monetary=money) are guaranteed a jury trial.

• President Obama is allowed to call you at home and tell you that you must let soldiers stay in your home.
  • Agree/Disagree: Disagree
  • Amendment: 3rd…gov’t cannot force you to lodge or supply (quarter) soldiers.

• Everybody in the United States has the right to a free education.
  • Agree/Disagree: Agree
  • Amendment: 9th…people have rights that cannot be taken away 10th…powers reserved to the states, who control public schools.