

First Amendment Trivia

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1. HOW MANY FREEDOMS ARE PROTECTED BY THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION?
 - A. 3
 - B. 5
 - C. 7
 - D. 2
2. THE FIRST AMENDMENT PROTECTS US AGAINST CENSORSHIP OR PUNISHMENT BY:
 - A. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
 - B. STATE GOVERNMENTS
 - C. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
 - D. ALL OF THE ABOVE
3. LOBBYING CONGRESS IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHICH OF THESE FIRST AMENDMENT FREEDOMS?
 - A. ASSEMBLY
 - B. PETITION
 - C. PRESS
 - D. RELIGION
4. THE "FATHER OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT" IS:
 - A. GEORGE WASHINGTON
 - B. THOMAS JEFFERSON
 - C. ALEXANDER HAMILTON
 - D. JAMES MADISON
 - E. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES
5. WHEN WAS THE FIRST AMENDMENT ADOPTED?
 - A. 1776
 - B. 1789
 - C. 1791
 - D. 1865
6. TRUE OR FALSE: THE FIRST AMENDMENT PROTECTS A PROFESSIONAL ATHLETE FROM BEING PUNISHED BY THE TEAM FOR KNEELING DURING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.
 - A. TRUE
 - B. FALSE
7. WHICH OF THESE IS A REASON SOMEONE COULD BE ARRESTED DURING AN OTHERWISE LAWFUL PROTEST?
 - A. THE INDIVIDUAL USES VULGAR AND OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE
 - B. THE INDIVIDUAL BURNS AN AMERICAN FLAG
 - C. THE INDIVIDUAL USES A LOUDSPEAKER TO PROTEST AT 2 A.M. IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD
 - D. THE INDIVIDUAL'S VIEWS ARE DISTINCTLY OPPOSITE TO THOSE OF THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THEY ARE PROTESTING
8. HOW DOES THE FIRST AMENDMENT START?
 - A. "FOUR SCORE AND SEVEN YEARS AGO ..."
 - B. "WHEN IN THE COURSE OF HUMAN EVENTS ..."
 - C. "CONGRESS SHALL MAKE NO LAW ..."
 - D. "WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT ..."
9. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS NOT A RIGHT SPECIFICALLY PROTECTED BY THE FIRST AMENDMENT?
 - A. PRESS
 - B. PRIVACY
 - C. ASSEMBLY
 - D. RELIGION
10. TRUE OR FALSE: THE CONSTITUTION PROHIBITS STUDENTS FROM PRAYING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
 - A. TRUE
 - B. FALSE
11. TRUE OR FALSE: THE FIRST AMENDMENT PROTECTS A PERSON'S RIGHT TO BURN THE AMERICAN FLAG AS A FORM OF POLITICAL PROTEST.
 - A. TRUE
 - B. FALSE



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12. THE FIRST AMENDMENT DOES NOT PROTECT WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIOUS BELIEFS?

- A. ISLAM
- B. ATHEISM
- C. CHRISTIANITY
- D. THE FIRST AMENDMENT PROTECTS ALL OF THE ABOVE.

13. TRUE OR FALSE: THE GOVERNMENT CAN BAN SONG LYRICS THAT MANY PEOPLE COULD FIND OFFENSIVE.

- A. TRUE
- B. FALSE

14. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE FREEDOM OF PETITION?

- A. VOTING
- B. WRITING A LETTER TO A GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE
- C. FILING A LAWSUIT
- D. ALL OF THE ABOVE

15. TRUE OR FALSE: STUDENTS CANNOT BE FORCED TO PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG.

- A. TRUE
- B. FALSE

16. WHICH OF THE 13 ORIGINAL COLONIES WAS THE FIRST TO ESTABLISH RELIGIOUS FREEDOM?

- A. GEORGIA
- B. RHODE ISLAND
- C. NEW YORK
- D. PENNSYLVANIA

17. WHAT FAMOUS AMERICAN SAID “FREE SPEECH ... ROCKS” AFTER A DEFAMATION LAWSUIT AGAINST HER WAS DISMISSED?

- A. LADY GAGA
- B. OPRAH WINFREY
- C. DOLLY PARTON
- D. RHIANNON GIDDENS

18. AT WHAT AGE DOES THE FIRST AMENDMENT OFFICIALLY BEGIN TO PROTECT A PERSON’S FREE SPEECH RIGHTS?

- A. 18
- B. 16
- C. 21
- D. WHEN YOU ARE BORN

19. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING FORMS OF EXPRESSION IS PROTECTED AS “SPEECH” UNDER THE FIRST AMENDMENT?

- A. POSTING A SIGN IN YOUR YARD
- B. SILENTLY TAKING A KNEE IN PROTEST
- C. WEARING A SHIRT SUPPORTING A POLITICAL CANDIDATE
- D. ALL OF THE ABOVE

20. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES DOES THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS PROTECT?

- A. BROADCASTING CITIZEN VIDEO OF POLICE ARRESTING SOMEONE ON THE EVENING NEWS
- B. PUBLISHING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS’ TEXT MESSAGES
- C. HOSTING A POLITICAL TALK RADIO PROGRAM
- D. ALL OF THE ABOVE

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