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Nail the Bill of Rights: A 3rd Grade Civic Challenge

Evidence analysis, scenario evaluation, and amendment application. Prepare to defend individual liberties in this high-stakes constitutional breakdown.

1. Imagine a town passes a law saying no one is allowed to write letters to the Mayor to complain about a broken park bench. Which part of the First Amendment is this law breaking?

- A. The right to bear arms
- B. The right to petition the government
- C. The right to a speedy trial
- D. The right to remain silent

2. True or False: The Sixth Amendment ensures that if someone is accused of a crime, the trial cannot be kept a secret and must happen relatively quickly.

- A. True
- B. False

3. The ____ Amendment says that even if a right isn't specifically listed in the Constitution, it still belongs to the people, not the government.

- A. Second
- B. Ninth
- C. Fifth
- D. First

4. A judge tells a person they must pay 1 million dollars for accidentally breaking a \$10 window. Which amendment protects citizens from this 'excessive' punishment?

- A. The Third Amendment
- B. The Seventh Amendment
- C. The Eighth Amendment
- D. The Tenth Amendment

5. True or False: According to the Tenth Amendment, if the Constitution doesn't give a specific power to the Federal government, that power belongs to the states or the people.

- A. True
- B. False

6. The Third Amendment was written because the British used to force Colonists to give ____ to soldiers in their private homes.

- A. Food and money
- B. Horses and wagons
- C. Secret blueprints

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D. Housing (quartering)

7. A person is on trial and refuses to answer a question that might make them look guilty. Which right are they using?

- A. The right against self-incrimination (5th Amendment)
- B. The right to a jury in a civil case (7th Amendment)
- C. The right to free assembly (1st Amendment)
- D. The right to a lawyer (6th Amendment)

8. Unlike a criminal trial for a crime, the _____ Amendment protects the right to a jury trial in 'civil' cases, which involve disagreements between people over money or property.

- A. Second
- B. Fourth
- C. Seventh
- D. First

9. True or False: A police officer can enter your house and take your private diary whenever they want, even without a reason or a warrant.

- A. True
- B. False

10. Which of these best describes why the Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution?

- A. To explain how to pay taxes
- B. To make sure the President has total power
- C. To list the specific names of all the leaders
- D. To protect individual freedoms from a powerful government