

HOW THE BILL OF RIGHTS WAS ADDED TO THE CONSTITUTION

After the Constitution was written, a lot of people thought it needed to be more specific in defining the rights of individuals.



On June 8, 1789, James Madison proposed a Bill of Rights to Congress.

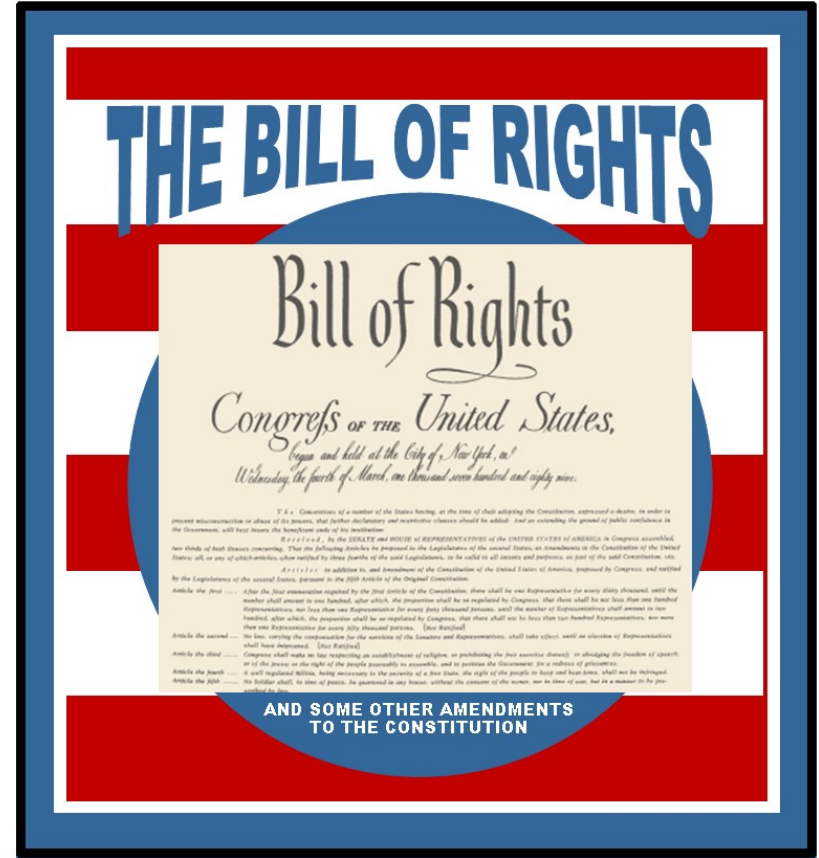
The Bill of Rights was passed in 1791.

The Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution. It includes the first ten amendments to the Constitution.

The Bill of Rights outlines the basic freedoms of American citizens.

The United States Constitution now has 27 amendments. (10 from the Bill of Rights and 17 more.)

Social Studies 5 - The Bill of Rights



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- How to play:
1. Shuffle the cards.
 2. Deal an equal amount of cards to each player.
 3. Players fan out their cards so the other players are looking at the backs of the cards.
 4. Players take turns choosing a card from an opponent's cards. (Choose by pinching the card you want.)
 5. The player holding the cards announces the number of the amendment. If the player who has selected the cards can describe what the amendment means, he or she gets to keep the card. If not, the player holding the card gets to keep it. (When you keep a card, place it next to you on the table.)
 6. Keep playing in this manner until all cards are on the table. The player with the most cards, wins!

GET TO KNOW THE AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE CONSTITUTION

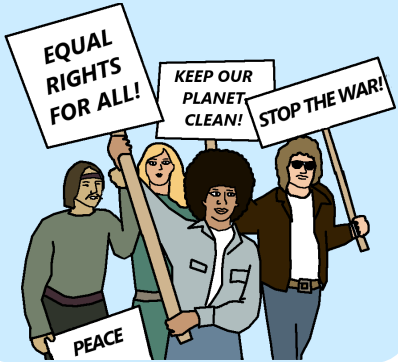
The first 10 amendments are known as the Bill of Rights. They are the amendments on the cards with the blue backgrounds.

The cards with the pink backgrounds are some of the other amendments that have been added to the Constitution over the years.

The amendments are important. They are your rights as a citizen of the United States.

FIRST AMENDMENT

Freedom of Speech
Freedom of Religion
Freedom of the Press



SECOND AMENDMENT

The right to own a gun



THIRD AMENDMENT

The government cannot force citizens to shelter soldiers



FOURTH AMENDMENT

It protects the privacy of American citizens. The government cannot search your property without cause.



FIFTH AMENDMENT

The right to a fair and legal trial



SIXTH AMENDMENT

The right to a speedy trial and a lawyer to help you



SEVENTH AMENDMENT

The right to a trial by jury when damages are more than \$20



EIGHTH AMENDMENT

Unreasonable bail or fines are prohibited.
No cruel punishment.



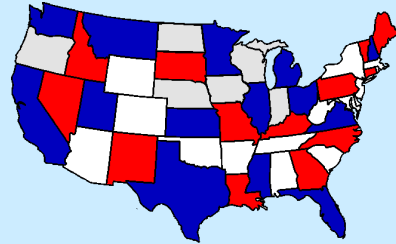
NINTH AMENDMENT

Americans have rights that aren't listed in the Constitution



TENTH AMENDMENT

The powers not given to the government belong to the states and the people.



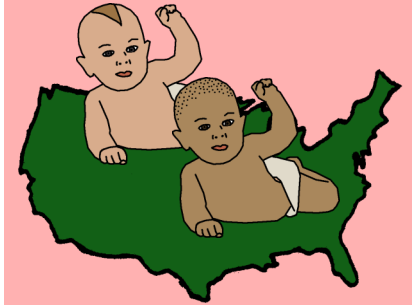
13th AMENDMENT

Slavery and other forced labor are illegal.



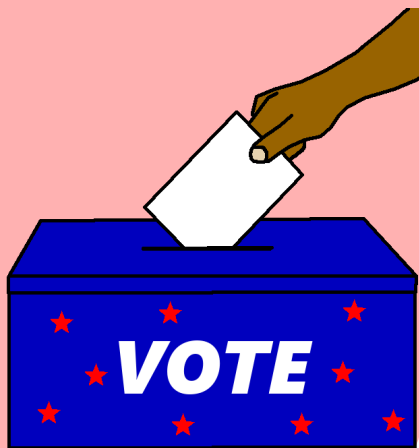
14th AMENDMENT

CIVIL RIGHTS
Every person born in the U.S. has equal rights.



15th AMENDMENT

No citizen can be denied the right to vote because of race.



19th AMENDMENT

Gives women the right to vote



26th AMENDMENT

Gives 18 year olds the right to vote



22nd AMENDMENT

Limits presidents to 2 terms

