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The Bill of Rights: Which Amendment Applies?

Directions: Every situation below involves the federal government. Choose the amendment in the Bill of Rights that most specifically covers it.

1. Match each federal situation to the amendment whose words most specifically cover it.

Write the letter of the matching answer on each line.

1. _____ Federal agents search a family's home with no warrant, no emergency and no permission.
2. _____ A federal judge sets bail at $5 million for a person accused of a minor, nonviolent offense.
3. _____ In peacetime, soldiers are ordered to move into a family's house without the owners' consent.
4. _____ In a federal lawsuit seeking $100,000 for a broken contract, one side asks for a jury to decide the facts.

Choices for question 1

A. Tenth Amendment
B. Second Amendment
C. Fourth Amendment
D. Eighth Amendment
E. Seventh Amendment
F. Third Amendment

2. A federal agency fines a small newspaper because it printed an editorial criticizing the agency's leaders. Which amendment most specifically protects the newspaper?

A. The Ninth Amendment
B. The Fourth Amendment
C. The Fourteenth Amendment
D. The First Amendment

3. A federal jury finds a defendant not guilty of stealing from a federal office. The same federal prosecutors then charge him again for the same theft. Which amendment most specifically protects him?

A. The Sixth Amendment
B. The Fifth Amendment
C. The Fourth Amendment
D. The Eighth Amendment

4. Federal prosecutors keep postponing a defendant's trial for three years, even though he has asked for a trial the whole time and his lawyer is ready. Which amendment most specifically protects him?

A. The Sixth Amendment
B. The Fifth Amendment
C. The Eighth Amendment
D. The Seventh Amendment

5. The federal government takes part of a family's farm to build a new highway and refuses to pay for the land. Which amendment most specifically covers this?

A. The Third Amendment
B. The Tenth Amendment
C. The Fourth Amendment
D. The Fifth Amendment

6. In a federal criminal trial, the judge seats jurors who have told everyone they are already sure the defendant is guilty. Which amendment most specifically protects the defendant?

A. The Eighth Amendment
B. The Sixth Amendment
C. The Seventh Amendment
D. The Fifth Amendment

7. Federal prosecutors put a civilian on trial for a serious crime without first getting an indictment from a grand jury. Which amendment most specifically covers this?

A. The Fourth Amendment
B. The Seventh Amendment
C. The Sixth Amendment
D. The Fifth Amendment

8. Congress passes an invented law that forbids members of one religion from holding worship services anywhere in the country. Which amendment most specifically does the law violate?

A. The Third Amendment
B. The First Amendment
C. The Tenth Amendment
D. The Ninth Amendment

9. Federal prosecutors refuse to tell a defendant what crime he is accused of until his trial begins. Which amendment most specifically protects him?

A. The Fifth Amendment
B. The Sixth Amendment
C. The Eighth Amendment
D. The Seventh Amendment

10. A federal court orders the owner of a small shop to pay a $2 million fine for filing one form a day late. Which amendment most specifically covers this?

A. The Sixth Amendment
B. The Seventh Amendment
C. The Fifth Amendment
D. The Eighth Amendment