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Analyzing the Bill of Rights

Directions: Review the first ten amendments to the Constitution (Bill of Rights) listed in the Bill of Rights Organizer.

Read each of the examples listed below and then determine which amendment relates to each of them. Write the number of the amendment next to the example.

- _____ 1. You believe that a 30-minute lunch period is too short during the school day. You circulate a petition during the non-academic hours of the school day and send it to the Student Government Association (SGA) and your local school board.
- _____ 2. During the evacuation of New Orleans, Louisiana, after Hurricane Katrina, local residents were not forced to house the National Guard.
- _____ 3. Your local government denies a request from your community to display a holiday display in front of your town's courthouse.
- _____ 4. You file a lawsuit against the person who spilled coffee on your brand new laptop computer at a local Starbucks.
- _____ 5. An individual can obtain a permit to own a handgun.
- _____ 6. You have the right to attend college, even though this is not specifically mentioned in the Constitution.
- _____ 7. A police officer enters your house and conducts a search without a search warrant or probable cause.
- _____ 8. A person accused of a crime has the right to face his/her accusers and can call witnesses for his/her defense.
- _____ 9. A person accused of a serious crime elects not to testify against himself/herself.
- _____ 10. The Supreme Court ruled that a \$2.5 billion punitive damages award against Exxon for the Exxon Valdez oil spill was excessive.
- _____ 11. A couple applies for a marriage license at their local state courthouse.
- _____ 12. A public defender (lawyer) is appointed by the local government to provide legal advice for a person who cannot afford to hire his/her own lawyer.
- _____ 13. You wear a t-shirt to school that reads: "Save a tree, write an e-mail."
- _____ 14. Based on information given by a school security guard, an administrator at your school asks you to open your locker.
- _____ 15. The death penalty is permitted in several states as a form of punishment.

Create five examples of your own.

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