The 10 Most Important Amendments Scavenger Hunt

1. One member of your group must memorize the portion of the Preamble on page 5 and come and say it to me. When this is complete, you will get a stamp here:

2. The 24th Amendment prohibits a poll tax.

What is a poll tax?

Does your group think a poll tax is fair? Why or why not?

 Figure out which President ratified the 24th Amendment. Do some research (yes, use your phones or come borrow an ipad).

When and where did he take office?

What were the circumstances surrounding his becoming President?

3. Is there currently any effort in place to overturn the 22nd Amendment? Explain.

It your opinion, should it be overturned? Be specific, and tell me why or why not?

4. I personally feel that if a young person is old enough to serve in the military, they are old enough to vote. Which amendment ensures that right?

What did Leonardo DiCaprio and Christina Aguilera do to support the Amendment?

5. The 6th Amendment protects those who have been accused of crimes.

This amendment is part of the original Bill of Rights. Name some key players who helped to draft the Bill of Rights?

What is a “Miranda” Right?

How did they come to be known as “Miranda Rights”?

6. Which Amendment protects a person accused of a crime from being abused by law enforcement and government agencies?

What is the plot of the movie, *Double Jeopardy*?

What does it have to do with the 5th Amendment?

7. The 14th Amendment is often celebrated as the one that “truly makes America democratic”. Look up the word “democratic” to make sure you truly understand what this means.

 Why do you think people give that label to this Amendment?

8. Name at least three African American leaders who were named to political positions after the passing of the 15th Amendment. What office did each man hold?

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9. The 15th Amendment and the 19th Amendment offer the same right to a different set of people.

 What is that right?

 Who received that right in the 15th Amendment?

 Who received it in the 19th Amendment?

 In the fight for women’s suffrage, one politician voted in favor of the amendment because his mother told him to. Who was he and where was he from?

What was Susan B. Anthony’s motto for Women’s Suffrage?

10. What date was slavery officially abolished with an amendment to the Constitution?

What amendment abolished slavery?

Who was Annie Burton, and how was her life affected by the 13th Amendment?

 Read her story carefully, and be specific in your answer.

11. What four freedoms are protected by the 1st Amendment?

How did the 1st Amendment protect the Dixie Chicks?

Find the page that says, “When First Amendment Hits ‘Close to Home,’ Teens Care”. At the bottom of the page is a four question survey given to teenagers across the country. Your group should find another group. Together, you should take the survey and figure up the correct percentages between you for each answer.

Write them here:

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