

The United States Constitution

Indicate the term that matches the following definitions.

- 13) official changes made to the Constitution
- 14) paragraph that introduces the Constitution and explains the purpose of the U.S. government
- 15) the Constitution is divided into seven of these sections
- 16) The ten amendments protecting citizens' rights
- 17) The government can take private property for a public project
- 18) People cannot be tried twice for the same crime
- 19) Right to publish materials without government restriction
- 20) Accused persons get fair treatment by the government

Indicate which letter best answers the question

- 21) The first three articles of the Constitution describe the...
 - a. Branches of government
 - b. Duties of citizens
 - c. Goals of government
 - d. Rights of citizens
- 22) An amendment can only become a part of the Constitution if many people support it. How many of the states must approve an amendment before it can be ratified?
 - A. 1/4
 - B. 1/2
 - C. 3/4
 - D. 98%

Indicate which amendment best matches the following statements

- 23) No unreasonable searches and seizures
- 24) The right to have a jury hear your case in a criminal trial
- 25) The government cannot deprive you of life, liberty or property without due process of law
- 26) Bail, fines and punishments must not be excessive
- 27) If a power isn't given to the federal government, it goes to the states or the people
- 28) You have the freedoms of religion, speech and press; and the right to assemble peacefully and petition the government
- 29) Citizens can keep and bear arms (weapons)
- 30) The right to have a jury hear your case in most civil trials
- 31) You don't have to house soldiers in your home during peacetime