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The Bill of Rights - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. The Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution to protect the rights of _____.

- A. the Supreme Court
- ☒ B. American citizens
- C. people visiting America from other countries
- D. the national bank

2. Which amendment is mostly about freedom of religion, speech, press, petition and assembly?

- ☒ A. the First
- B. the Fifth
- C. the Seventh
- D. the Eighth

3. The Seventh Amendment protects _____.

- A. people from cruel and unusual punishment
- ☒ B. the right to a jury in a civil case
- C. the right to bear arms
- D. people's houses from being searched without a warrant

4. If a soldier wants to come and stay in your house, which amendment allows you to say "no"?

- A. the Second
- ☒ B. the Third
- C. the Fourth
- D. the Fifth

5. The 10th Amendment says, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people." This means that _____.

- A. states can only make laws about things that are mentioned in the Constitution
- B. states do not have to follow the US Constitution
- C. states can decide whether or not to adopt the Bill of Rights
- ☒ D. states can make their own laws, as long as the laws don't violate the Constitution

6. True or False: According to the Ninth Amendment, the only rights citizens have are the ones listed in the Bill of Rights.

A. True

☒ B. False

7. The Supreme Court's decision that someone cannot yell "Fire!" in a crowded theater just to be funny relates mostly to the _____ amendment.

A. the Eighth

☒ C. the First

B. the Sixth

D. the Fifth

8. What does the Seventh Amendment protect against?

☒ A. the will of a single judge

C. being searched without a warrant

B. torture

D. self-incrimination

9. Which amendment is the basis for the idea that people are "innocent until proven guilty"?

A. the First

C. the Fourth

B. the Second

☒ D. the Fifth

10. Which amendment would someone most likely use to argue that people should be allowed to own guns?

A. the Sixth

C. the Third

☒ B. the Second

D. the Fourth