



Worksheet 2 – The Main Rights Protected in Amendments 2 to 8

Match the modern descriptions with the original wording of the Amendments by writing numbers 2 to 8 in the right hand column.

Right	Amendment number
<p>Except during times of war or if you are in the military:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can't be tried for any serious crime without a Grand Jury meeting first to decide whether there's enough evidence; If the jury decides you are innocent, the government can't try you again for the same crime with another jury (double jeopardy); You cannot be forced to admit guilt and, if you choose not to, you don't have to say anything at your trial at all; You can't be killed, put in jail, or fined, unless you were convicted of a crime by a jury and all of the proper legal steps during your arrest and trial were followed; and The government can't take your house or your farm or anything that is yours, unless the government pays for it at a fair price. 	
Nobody can search your body, or your house, or your papers and things, unless they can prove to a judge that they have a good reason for the search.	
<p>If you are arrested and charged with a crime:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You have a right to have your trial soon and in public, so everyone knows what is happening; The case has to be decided by a jury of ordinary people from where you are, if you wish; You have the right to know what you are accused of doing wrong and to see, hear and cross-examine the people who are witnesses against you; You have the right to a lawyer to help you. If you cannot afford to pay the lawyer, the government will. 	
The government can't make you pay more than is reasonable in bail or in fines, and the government can't inflict cruel or unusual punishments (like torture) even if you are convicted of a crime.	
Congress can't stop people from having and carrying weapons.	
You also have the right to a jury when it is a civil case (a law case between two people rather than between you and the government).	
You don't have to let soldiers live in your house, except if there is a war, and even then Congress needs to pass a law and set the rules.	