

Civil Liberties and Civil Rights

Through the U.S. Constitution, but primarily through the Bill of Rights and the Fourteenth Amendments, people and groups have attempted to restrict national and state government from unduly infringing upon individual rights essential to ordered liberty and from denying equal protection under the law. Likewise, it has sometimes been argued that these legal protections have been used to block reforms and restrict the freedoms of others in the name of social order.

Essential Questions:

- To what extent do the U.S. Constitution and its amendments protect against undue government infringement on essential liberties and from invidious discrimination?
- How have U.S. Supreme Court rulings defined civil liberties and civil rights?

Required Foundational Documents		Required Supreme Court Cases
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• U.S. Constitution• Letter from a Birmingham Jail	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engel v. Vitale (1962)• Wisconsin v Yoder (1972)• Tinker v Des Moines (1969)• Schenck v Unites States (1919)• New York Times Co. v. United States (1971)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• McDonald v. Chicago (2010)• Gideon v. Wainwright (1963)• Roe v. Wade (1973)• Brown v Board of Education (1954)

Key Terms and Concepts *(These are provided for your exam preparation)*

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| 1. affirmative action | 13. exclusionary rule | 25. probable cause |
| 2. Americans Disability Act | 14. Fifteenth Amendment | 26. right to privacy |
| 3. Bill of Rights | 15. Fifth Amendment | 27. search warrant |
| 4. civil liberties | 16. First Amendment | 28. self-incrimination |
| 5. civil rights | 17. Fourteenth Amendment | 29. Sixth Amendment |
| 6. Civil Rights Act of 1964 | 18. free exercise clause | 30. suffrage |
| 7. commercial speech | 19. incorporation doctrine | 31. Supreme Court |
| 8. cruel and unusual punishment | 20. Lemon v. Kurtzman | 32. symbolic speech |
| 9. Due Process clause | 21. libel | 33. Thirteenth Amendment |
| 10. Eighth Amendment | 22. plea bargaining | 34. Twenty Fourth Amendment |
| 11. equal protection of the law | 23. poll taxes | 35. unreasonable search and seizure |
| 12. Establishment clause | 24. prior restraint | 36. Voting Rights Act of 1965 |

UNIT PLANNER

Civil Liberties and Public Policy	Edwards, Chapter 4		
	Notes Pgs.101-120	The Bill of Rights, Freedom of Religion, Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Expression, Commercial Speech	Tuesday April 9
	Notes Pgs.121-139	Freedom of Assembly, Right to Bear Arms, Defendants' Rights, The Right to Privacy, Understanding Civil Liberties, Summary	Thursday April 11
	Chapter 4 Quiz & FRQ		Tuesday April 16

Civil Rights and Public Policy	Edwards, Chapter 5		
	Notes Pgs.145-161	Racial Equality, Race, the Constitution and Public Policy	Thursday April 18
	Notes Pgs.162-178	Women, the Constitution and Public Policy, Newly Active Groups, Affirmative Action, Understanding Civil Rights, Summary	Monday April 22
	Chapter 5 Quiz & FRQ		Tuesday April 23

AP GOPO Exam	Monday, May 6 at 8:00 AM
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- Missed quizzes and exams must be made up before the next quiz or exam. All makeup quizzes and exams are before or after school and must be arranged in advance with Ms. Hooper.