

## How Does the Constitution Preserve Our Freedom and Why is That Important to Me?

I have five freedoms listed in the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, and they are the freedom of speech, religion, assembly, press, and petition. Freedom of speech is important to me because I can speak against the government if the government is doing something bad. Freedom of religion is important to me because I am not forced to have a specific religion or any religion; I am free to worship as I please. Freedom of assembly and freedom of the press is important to me because the press can tell the truth and not get in trouble and the government can not tell the press what to say. The freedom of assembly is important to me because I can assemble peacefully to petition the government and they can not stop me.

The Second Amendment states that I have the right to bear arms. That means that I have the freedom to protect myself if needed. The Third Amendment states that no soldier shall stay in my home and take everything inside without my permission. This is important to me because a soldier can not take over my house without my say. The Fourth Amendment states that the government can't search me for no reason. The Sixth Amendment says that I have the right to a speedy trial by jury. This is important to me because if I do something bad I can not just be thrown into jail forever without a trial. The Seventh Amendment states that I can sue someone if they owe me \$20 and this is important to me because I would be able to have justice. The Eighth Amendment is about excessive fines and cruel and unusual punishments. That means that if I do something bad and get sent to jail the government can't make my bail excessive or the government can't give me a cruel or unusual punishment. This is important to me because the government can not give me a crazy punishment. The Ninth Amendment talks about non-enumerated rights reserved to the people. This is important to me because it means that my rights as an American are not limited to what is and was written in the Constitution. These rights are important to me because they list what rights I still have in today's world were so many other countries don't have these rights.