All Those Amendments

The Bill of Rights (Amendments I—X): When & Why Were They Written / Added / Ratified?

Amendment I: What Does it Say (Plain, Simple English)? It has SIX distinct parts, so make sure you address each one separately and clearly.

Amendment II: Generally Understood to Mean...?



The Worst Part of Censorship is 30,000

Amendment III: What Does it Say (Plain, Simple)?

Amendment IV: What Does it Say (Plain, Simple English)?

What makes this one trickier in the 21st Century than it was in 1791?

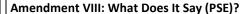


Amendment V: What Does it Say (Plain, Simple English)? It has five distinct parts, so make sure you address each one separately and clearly. You'll also want to know the meanings of 'indictment', 'grand jury', 'capital crime', 'infamous crime', 'double jeopardy', and 'due process'.



Amendment VI: What Does It Say (PSE)?

Amendment VII: What Does It Say?







Amendment IX: What Does This Actually Mean? It looks so short and innocent, sitting there at almost-the-end. But it's huge. Freakin' HUGE, baby. So what does it really say?

Amendment X: What Does This Actually Mean? (It looks so small and simple, but it's actually a pretty big deal.)

Amendment XI (Passed 1794 to overturn Supreme Court ruling in Chisholm v. Georgia. Involves the right of citizens of one state to sue other states in federal court. It's interpreted in different ways and important in its own special world, but it's pretty unlikely you'll be asked about this one. Like, ever. So... what say we move on and devote our energies elsewhere?)

Amendment XII: What does it say (PSE)?

Historical Background (why it was created):

Added to the Constitution when & why?



What & When was 'Reconstruction'?

The "Reconstruction Amendments"

What were the goals of 'Reconstruction'?

Amendment XIII: Passed When?

Why? What Does It Say?

Amendment XIV (Section 1): HOLY FREAKING COW!

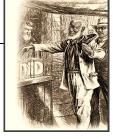
Passed When? Why? What Does It Say?

Amendment XV: Passed When?

Why? What Does It Say? /



Different from anything ever before in the USC or Bill of Rights BECAUSE...?
!!! (This Amendment Changed Everything—Just Not Right Away) !!!



What &
When was
the
'Progressive
Era'?

The "Progressive Amendments"

What were the Goals of the 'Progressive Era'?

Amendment XVI: What does it say and why? What were it's GOALS? When was it Ratified?



Amendment XVIII: What does it say and why? What were it's GOALS? When was it Ratified?





Amendment XVII: What does it say and why? What were it's GOALS? When was it Ratified?



Amendment XIX: What does it say and why? What were it's GOALS? When was it Ratified?

Amendment XX—When / Why? (w/ a little historical background—duh)

Amendment XXI—When / Why? (w/ a little historical background—duh)

Amendment XXII—When / Why? (w/ a little historical background—duh)

What Does It Say / Do (ALL 4 PARTS)?

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Amendment XXIII (When / Why / What Did It Do?)



Amendment XXIV (When / Why / What Did It Do?)

Amendment XXV

(I know we're getting near the end, but this one is somewhat detailed, so make sure you include WHAT it says, WHEN it was ratified, and WHY it came about—Plain, Simple English, as always.)

Amendment XXVI

(The background for this one is particularly important—think HISTORICAL CONTEXT as well as WHAT it says, and WHEN it was ratified.)

Amendment XXVII (This one is interesting because of when it was first proposed vs. when it was ratified—but tell me the usual stuff: when / why / what it did / etc.)









While you will sometimes be able to reference the text of these Amendments online, please recognize the importance of understanding what the various Amendments actually say and why they were created and ratified when they were, etc. Plain, simple English is essential for each and every section of this organizer.

As always, if there's space — FILL IT UP WITH KNOWLEDGE!!!

