

2nd Amendment to the United States Constitution - Quiz

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Q1. What is the 2nd Amendment to the United States Constitution commonly known as?

- A. The right to free speech
- B. The right to bear arms
- C. The right to a fair trial
- D. The right to privacy

Q2. What does the 2nd Amendment safeguard for US citizens?

- A. The right to vote
- B. The right to bear arms
- C. The right to free education
- D. The right to travel

Q3. What was the original meaning of 'militia' in the 18th century?

- A. A professional army
- B. A group of citizens protecting their communities
- C. A government-controlled police force
- D. A foreign military alliance

Q4. Why was the 2nd Amendment created?

- A. To establish a national army
- B. To prevent the federal government from disarming state militias
- C. To promote international trade
- D. To ensure free speech

Q5. What did the Constitutional Convention of 1787 grant the federal government authority to do?

- A. Control state militias
- B. Raise and maintain a national army
- C. Disarm citizens
- D. Regulate trade between states

Q6. When was the 2nd Amendment ratified as part of the Bill of Rights?

- A. July 4, 1776
- B. December 15, 1791
- C. March 1, 1781
- D. September 17, 1787

Q7. Which organization has been a vocal supporter of gun rights?

- A. The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)
- B. The National Rifle Association (NRA)
- C. The Sierra Club
- D. The Red Cross

Q8. What did the Supreme Court establish as a basic human right in relation to the 2nd Amendment?

- A. The right to free education
- B. The right to self-defense
- C. The right to public assembly
- D. The right to religious freedom

Q9. What was a significant victory for gun control advocates in 1993?

- A. The creation of the NRA
- B. The introduction of background checks for handgun purchasers
- C. The ban on all firearms
- D. The establishment of a national militia

Q10. What is a common argument against gun control?

- A. It promotes public safety
- B. It is an abuse of constitutional rights
- C. It reduces crime rates
- D. It ensures fair trials

Answer Key

- 1. Q1: B
- 2. Q2: B
- 3. Q3: B
- 4. Q4: B
- 5. Q5: B
- 6. Q6: B
- 7. Q7: B
- 8. Q8: B
- 9. Q9: B
- 10. Q10: B