



Free Speech and the First Amendment - Quiz

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Q1. When was the Bill of Rights ratified?

- A. 1787
- B. 1791
- C. 1801
- D. 1776

Q2. Which case ruled that students have the right to protest, provided it does not disrupt others?

- A. Schenck v. United States
- B. Tinker v. Des Moines
- C. Texas v. Johnson
- D. Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier

Q3. What is NOT protected under the First Amendment?

- A. Burning a draft card as protest
- B. Political campaign expenditures
- C. Symbolic free expression like flag desecration
- D. Offensive or vulgar speech in political protest

Q4. Which case established that schools may censor student journalists?

- A. Bethel School District #43 v. Fraser
- B. Morse v. Frederick
- C. Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier
- D. Cohen v. California

Q5. What is a modern concern regarding free speech on the internet?

- A. Government censorship
- B. Private censorship by social media companies
- C. Mandatory pledge of allegiance
- D. Restricted business advertising

Q6. Which case ruled that obscene material distribution is not protected?

- A. Roth v. United States
- B. Buckley v. Valeo
- C. Virginia Board of Pharmacy v. Virginia Consumer Council
- D. United States v. O'Brien

Q7. What is a key issue with fake news in modern media?

- A. Government control over news content
- B. Lack of factual verification in informal media
- C. Mandatory fact-checking for all news outlets
- D. Banning all opinion-based reporting

Q8. What does the First Amendment primarily restrict?

- A. State governments
- B. Private companies
- C. Congress legislation
- D. International organizations

Q9. Which case involved a student's right to use offensive language at school?

- A. Tinker v. Des Moines
- B. Bethel School District #43 v. Fraser
- C. West Virginia Board of Education v. Barnette
- D. Cohen v. California

Q10. What is a legal exception to hate speech protection?

- A. Speech that discriminates based on gender
- B. Speech that incites lawless or dangerous behavior
- C. Speech that is vulgar or offensive
- D. Speech that criticizes the government

Answer Key

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