

The first ten amendments of the Constitution of the United States of America, known as the Bill of Rights, outline American civil liberties.

**Civil Liberties;
Freedoms upon
which the
government may
not infringe.**

**The Bill of Rights is
composed of the
first ten
amendments to the
Constitution of the
United States of
America. It
guarantees the
rights of
individuals and
expresses
limitations on
federal and state
governments.**

First Amendment freedoms

Religion

Government may not establish an official religion, nor endorse, or unduly interfere with the free exercise of religion.

Speech

Individuals are free to express their opinions and beliefs.

Press

The press is free to gather and publish information, including that which criticizes the government.

Assembly

Individuals may peacefully gather.

Petition

Individuals have the freedom to make their views known to public officials.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of civil liberties and civil rights by: a) examining the Bill of Rights, with emphasis on First Amendment freedoms.