Counting the Amendments

Number the Bill of Rights

DIRECTIONS: Read the list of freedoms below, and decide which amendment protects each one. Write the amendment’s number in the box opposite each freedom. If all your answers are correct, you can add the numbers in each of the three columns and one of your totals will equal the number of amendments in the Bill of Rights. Circle the correct total.

1. Right to “keep and bear arms”

2. Right to a speedy and public trial

3. Freedom of speech

4. Freedom to hold meetings and to ask the government to hear complaints

5. Freedom from being forced to quarter soldiers

6. Protection of rights that are not listed in the Constitution

7. Freedom of religion

8. Protection against the national government’s doing things not listed in the Constitution


10. Protection against the government’s ordering an unreasonable search of a home

TOTAL NUMBER OF AMENDMENTS IN BILL OF RIGHTS