

ANSWER KEY

interpreted the Second Amendment in terms of what it meant for an individual's right to possess weapons for private uses such as self-defense. The Court reasoned that the right to own weapons for self-defense was an "inherent" [natural] right of all people.

Handout B: Total Ban on Handguns?

Answers will vary.

Handout C: *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008)

Answers will vary.

Unit 6: The Bill of Rights and Property

LESSON 1: WHAT IS PROPERTY? WHY PROTECT IT?

Handout A: Property or Not?

1. Property
2. Property
3. Property
4. Property
5. Property
6. Property
7. Property

Handout B: Background Essay – What Is Property? Why Protect It?

1. Ownership means one has the legitimate right to control and direct the use of an object or idea. Self-ownership means a person has control and directs the use of him or herself, as long as it does not harm another or interfere with others' rights to do the same.
2. Jefferson did not change Locke's meaning, but he expanded on it.
3. The Founders believed that protecting property rights was essential to happiness and was the purpose of "just government."

Handout C: James Madison and Property

1. Madison believed property included: a man's land, merchandise, money. He also

believed that a man has property in his opinions and the free communication of them including religious opinions, and the free use of his faculties. Property can also be found in the safety and liberty of one's self.

2. Accept reasoned answers.
3. Physical property: house, car, belongings, money, land, etc.
Other property: ideas, conscience, religion, speech, etc.

Handout D: The Bill of Rights and Property

1. Second Amendment, Third Amendment, Fourth Amendment, Fifth Amendment, Eighth Amendment.
2. First Amendment, Fifth Amendment, Sixth Amendment, Seventh Amendment.

Handout A: The Takings Clause

LESSON 2: HOW DOES THE FIFTH AMENDMENT PROTECT PROPERTY?

Due Process: Due process means the government must act fairly and obey legal procedures when it tries to take property.

Taking: The government can sometimes seize or restrict the use of property. It can take property in the name of the public good.