

BENCHMARK SS.7.C.3.6

Strand	C Civics and Government
Reporting Category	Roles, Rights, and Responsibilities of Citizens
Standard	Demonstrate an understanding of the principles, functions, and organization of government.
Benchmark	SS.7.C.3.6 Evaluate constitutional rights and their impact on individuals and society.
Benchmark Clarifications	<p>Students will recognize how individual rights shape involvement in the social, political, and economic systems.</p> <p>Students will recognize how the social, political, and economic systems in the United States are dependent upon individual rights.</p> <p>Students will use scenarios to recognize and/or evaluate options for exercising constitutional rights.</p> <p>Students will evaluate the impact of the government upholding and/or restricting individual constitutional rights.</p>
Content Limits	<p>Items will not require students to recall specific events in history.</p> <p>Items will not require students to identify characteristics of a specific economic system.</p>
Stimulus Attribute	Items addressing constitutional rights and their impacts may use historical and contemporary documents and other relevant stimuli (e.g., maps, timelines, charts, graphs, tables).
Content Focus	These terms are given in addition to those found in the standards, benchmarks, and benchmark clarifications. Additional items may include, but are not limited to, the following: civil disobedience, economic freedom, forced internment, and property rights.

Sample Item 25	SS.7.C.3.6	Content Focus	Free Speech
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What has been one long-term result of the constitutional protection of free speech?

- A. fewer court cases involving minors
- B. fewer laws limiting minority rights
- C. a more accurate election
- ★ D. a more informed society