Ch. 20 Study Guide – American Government

Due Process Exclusionary Rule Treason Search Warrant Bill of Attainder

Writ of Habeas Corpus Probable Cause Discrimination Capital Punishment Indictment

1. On what basis do states pass laws that require the vaccination of school children?
2. What makes it legal for police to collect evidence through wiretapping?
3. The Speedy Trial Act of 1974 allows how many days between arrest & the beginning of a criminal trial?
4. What is an example of what has been found by the Supreme Court to be cruel and unusual punishment?
5. States can regulate gambling. This is an example of what power?
6. What is one reason that bail is used?
7. What does the 8th Amendment forbid?
8. The Supreme Court has ruled that the death penalty can be used in which kind of cases?
9. In the case of Rochin v. California 1952, the police broke into a person’s home and searched it without a warrant. The Supreme Court ruled that this violated the 14th Amendment. The police action also violated what process as well?
10. The Supreme Court decision in the case of Jones v. Mayer 1968, having to do with racial discrimination, was related to what amendment?
11. What best describes a bench trial?
12. What is a judge most likely to do if he or she believes a defendant will commit another serious crime if released?
13. The cases heard by the Supreme Court claiming cruel & unusual punishment usually relate to which type of punishment?
14. Due process clauses are contained in the Constitution in which amendments?
15. Under which circumstance is evidence inadmissible in court?
16. The Speedy Trail Act of 1974 says that the time between a person’s arrest and the beginning of his or her federal criminal trial cannot be more than?
17. The Supreme Court ruled that the death penalty cannot be imposed when?
18. What does the 13th Amendment prohibit?
19. In 1968, the Supreme Court upheld a law prohibiting racial discrimination in real estate transactions. Which constitutional amendment did the Court cite as a basis for its decision?
20. What is the exclusionary rule?
21. A bench trial is a trial that does what?
22. In what circumstances would a judge probably set the lowest amount of bail for the accused?
23. Treason against the United States can only be committed when?