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We are excited to begin this. This should generate some excellent discussions. As the mom, I'm very happy with it. My experience with this company's products so far has been excellent.

I am using this in the homeschool class I teach on history. This book is extremely helpful to my grandchildren in helping them to carefully think and understand past decisions made by the Supreme Court and what these decisions mean to them. Also, helpful to them in learning the meaning of the Constitution of the United States. I highly recommend this teaching tool.

I wish more students would use this book and learn about their rights as citizens.

This book is a great way to learn about the Bill of Rights practically. It helps it to make sense.

I am the younger daughter of the reviewer of M. D. Flack, and I agree with her. It was really fun to play the judge and to understand the Bill of Rights better. It was this that prompted me to be more passionate about the rights of Americans and where they end and begin in different situations. If you are a homeschooling parent who wants something that's fun and easy to read for social studies, then I highly recommend this. I'll bet you and your student will have a blast reenacting the same court cases me and my mother did.

Homeschooling mom who used this for 9th grade for both kids. The first one liked it, the second one loved it, to the point where she wants to know if there are more books like this. It's well written, has easy to follow "lessons" and the kids love playing "judge" and deciding on the cases, then seeing how close their decisions came to the real cases and laws. If you want a basic primer on the bill of rights and what it means (or meant, in today's climate) then this is the book to use. I did not get the

teachers guide as I was only teaching one child at this grade level at a time, so it was unnecessary. My 15 year old now enjoys watching police type dramas to see if any rights are being violated, and as a novelty, she enjoyed digging into the actual articles of the constitution as well as the other amendments after this book was finished. This is coming from a child who despised anything to do with history or social studies,too..

We bought this and the teacher's edition to use over the summer with our homeschool children. Most of the text is comprised of the facts of the cases, editorializing about the cases, and questions associated with the cases. Very little of the text is the rationale put forth by the Supreme Court. For the 2nd Amendment, as an example, the text states that the words "well regulated" mean "well controlled". Another quote is "The Second Amendment was never intended as a blanket permit for a citizen to own or carry a gun. It was merely meant to provide for a regulated and prepared military". These views are at odds with original meaning of the 2nd amendment based on contemporary sources at the founding. I would not recommend this book

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