

Worksheet 5: Analyzing American Ideals and Repair Expansion

Directions: Read through some of the amendments to the U.S. Constitution to identify which individual rights we are guaranteed, then restate them in your own words.

1st Amendment	Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peacefully assemble, and to petition the government.
13th Amendment	Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within the United States.
14th Amendment	All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any laws that take away the privileges of citizens.
15th Amendment	The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.
19th Amendment	The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.

1st Amendment	
13th Amendment	
14th Amendment	
15th Amendment	
19th Amendment	

Worksheet 5: Analyzing American Ideals and Repair Expansion

Directions: Read through the historical events and determine :

1. What rights are being violated?
2. Which amendment to the Constitution was added to protect that right?

Event 1: Members of the Puritan colony in Massachusetts limited participation in the government to church members only. This led people such as Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson to be banished from Massachusetts because they believed in separation of church and state.

1.

2.

Event 2: Dred Scott, an enslaved person, sued for his freedom in 1846. The case made its way to the Supreme Court, and the court decided that his case was not valid because he was an enslaved person. Slaves were not considered citizens, therefore could not sue anyone.

1.

2.

Event 3: Susan B. Anthony and a group of women voted in the presidential election of 1872 in New York. Shortly after they casted their ballots, they were arrested.

1.

2.

Event 4: The fugitive slave act (part of the Compromise of 1850) required that all known runaway slaves be returned to the south to their "owners".

1.

2.