

11th – 27th Amendments Timeline Group Activity

Group Up: We'll work in teams, and each group will be responsible for researching a specific chunk of amendments.

Research and Create: Think of yourselves as mini-history teachers! Your job is to create an entry on our timeline for each amendment your group gets.

Timeline Entry Breakdown:

- **Year it Happened:** Find the year each amendment was ratified and write it down. (2 points)
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- **Picture Power:** Imagine a picture that captures the essence of the amendment. Magazines, newspapers, or a quick internet search can be your treasure trove. Remember, if you use online images, cite the source! (Up to 3 points for relevance and clarity)
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- **Amendment in a Nutshell:** Write a clear and short summary of what the amendment does. (4 points for accuracy and clarity)
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- **Background Buzz:** In a sentence or two, explain why this amendment was even proposed in the first place. What was the historical context? (4 points for accuracy and explanation)

Timeline Takeover: Once your entries are ready, we'll combine them on a giant sheet of paper, building our class timeline together.

Presenting Power (Optional): Feeling confident? Each group can present their assigned amendments to the class, highlighting the key points and why they matter. (Bonus points for clarity, engagement, and additional insights)

Bonus: Let's put on our voting caps! After we build our timeline, we can vote as a class on the amendment you think has had the biggest impact on American life and why.

Remember: Creativity is encouraged! Feel free to get artistic with your entries, use different colors or fonts, or even add small symbols to represent the amendments.

Grading Rubric:

- **Total Points:** 50 points
- **Timeline Accuracy:** 10 points (Year & Order)
- **Visual Representation:** Up to 3 points per entry (Picture Relevance & Clarity)
- **Amendment Explanation:** 4 points per entry (Accuracy & Clarity)
- **Historical Context:** 4 points per entry (Accuracy & Explanation)
- **Presentation (Optional):** Bonus points (Clarity, Engagement, & Additional Insights)