

Reading Assignments for Unit 4 Power Points
The Judicial Branch

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 1 - 5 / Corresponding Text Pages: 220 - 223

Main Topics of these Power Points:

1. Description of the court system
2. Jurisdiction and structure of the court system
3. District Courts, Courts of Appeals, Supreme Court

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 6 – 9 / Corresponding Text Pages: 223 - 225

Main Topics of these Power Points

1. How federal judges are selected
2. Judicial restraint and Judicial activism
3. Specific legal terms: Precedent, Stare Decisis
4. Checks and balances

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 10 / Corresponding Text Pages: 234 - 237

Main Topics of this Power Point

1. Important precedent-setting Supreme Court Cases in history

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 11 – 13 / Corresponding Text Pages: 239 – 241

Main Topics of this Power Point

1. SCOTUS procedures
2. How the Supreme Court selects cases to hear
3. Hearing a case and then writing an opinion

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 14 – 18 / Corresponding Text Pages: 281 – 288

Main Topics of this Power Point

1. What is the job of the Supreme Court?
2. Civil Rights v. Civil Liberties
3. Limits on Civil Liberties and Civil Rights
4. Incorporation
5. Religious freedom

Unit 4 Power Point Slides: 19 – 44 / Corresponding Text Pages: 289 – 302

Main Topics of this Power Point

1. Specific Supreme Court cases related to specific Constitutional Amendments
2. Establishment Clause:
 - a. Lemon v. Kurtzman (Page 287)
 - b. Engel v. Vitale (Pages 286 – 287)
 - c. Wallace v Jaffree (Pages 287 – 288)
3. Free Exercise Cases:
 - a. Reynolds v. US (Page 288)
 - b. West Virginia v. Barnette (Pages 288 – 289)
 - c. Employment Division of Oregon v. Smith ((Page 288)
 - d. Church of Lukumi Babalu Aye v. The City of Hialeah (**Page ???????**)
4. Freedom of Speech and Press Cases:
 - a. New York Times v. Sullivan (Pages 289 – 290)
 - b. Schenck v. US (Pages 289 – 291)
 - c. Brandenburg v. Ohio (Page 291)
 - d. Near v. Minnesota (Pages 283 – 284)
 - e. New York Times v. Nixon (**Page ??????**)
5. Freedom of Symbolic Speech Cases
 - a. Tinker v. Des Moines Pages 292 and 390 – 392)
 - b. Texas v. Johnson (Page 292)
6. Freedoms of Assembly and Petition Cases
 - a. Edwards v. South Carolina (Page 293)
 - b. NAACP v. Alabama (Page 294)
7. Individual Liberties Cases
 - a. McDonald v. Chicago (2nd Amendment) (**Page ???????**)
 - b. Mapp v. Ohio, New Jersey v. TLO (4th Amendment) (Page 298)
 - c. Griswold v. Connecticut, Roe v. Wade, Planned Parenthood v. Casey (9th Amendment) (Pages 300 – 301)
 - d. Miranda v. Arizona (5th Amendment) (Pages 307 – 309)
 - e. Sheppard v. Maxwell, Gideon v. Wainwright (6th Amendment) (Pages 309 and 311)
 - f. Wilkerson v. Utah, Furman v. Georgia, Gregg v. Georgia (8th Amendment) (Pages 312 – 313)
8. Civil Rights cases
 - a. Plessy v. Ferguson (Pages 329 – 331)
 - b. Sweatt v. Painter (Page 331)
 - c. Brown v. Board of Education (Pages 283 and 294)
 - d. California v. Bakke (**Page ?????**)
 - e. Gratz v. Bollinger (page 340)

Unit 4 Review Questions: Students should be able to answer the following questions after having read the assigned text pages.

1. How is jurisdiction determined in the American court system?
2. How is the federal court system structured?
3. How are federal judges appointed?
4. What is the judicial branch's role in the system of checks and balances?
5. What are some of the highlights of Supreme Court history?
6. How are Supreme Court justices chosen?
7. What are the typical procedures of the Supreme Court?
8. What is the Bill of Rights and what does it protect?
9. What are the limitations on civil liberties and rights?
10. How does the 14th Amendment help protect civil liberties?
11. How does the First Amendment guarantee religious freedom?
12. What are the guarantees of and limits on the freedoms of speech and of the press?
13. What are the guarantees of and limits on the freedoms of assembly and petition?
14. What are the purposes of and limits on the right to keep and bear arms?
15. How does the Bill of Rights guarantee the security of home and person?
16. How has the right to privacy developed?
17. How and why does the Constitution guarantee due process of law?