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Our Supreme Court: A History With 14 Activities (For Kids Series)



Synopsis

This lively and comprehensive activity book teaches young readers everything they need to know about the nation's highest court. Organized around keystones of the Constitution—including free speech, freedom of religion, civil rights, criminal justice, and property rights—the book juxtaposes historical cases with similar current cases. Presented with opinions from both sides of the court cases, readers can make up their own minds on where they stand on the important issues that have evolved in the Court over the past 200 years. Interviews with prominent politicians, high-court lawyers, and those involved with landmark decisions—including Ralph Nader, Rudolph Giuliani, Mario Cuomo, and Arlen Specter—show the personal impact and far-reaching consequences of the decisions. Fourteen engaging classroom-oriented activities involving violations of civil rights, exercises of free speech, and selecting a classroom Supreme Court bring the issues and cases to life. The first 15 amendments to the Constitution and a glossary of legal terms are also included.

Book Information

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Age Range: 10 - 17 years

Grade Level: 5 and up

Customer Reviews

As a homeschool teacher, I love the "For Kids" series and purchased this book while planning an American government class. While I enjoyed the text, I can't imagine any child curling up with this

book and reading it unless it is assigned. The "activities" are largely instructions for making up your own skits based on court cases. If complete scripts were included, that would have helped make it useful to me, but there are none. There is very little "activity" included in this book, it's mostly reading and writing.

This is a good book when it come to talking and teaching certain case law in a high school law class. Very useful, especially the activities.

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