

***American Government and Politics: A Christian Worldview***  
**Amendment Fairy Tale Parody (25–45 minutes)**

**(TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS)**

**Goal**

Students (in pairs or groups) create parody versions of popular fairy tales to explain the meaning of one of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

**Instructions**

**NOTE:** You can either (a) figure out how many groups you're going to have in class ahead of time, write down amendment numbers on slips of paper (choose the most interesting/fun ones if you have fewer than 10 groups!), and let groups draw their amendment out of a hat, or (b) tell groups they can choose whatever amendment they wish to write a fairy tale on.

1. **OPTIONAL:** Show students any of these short (about 5 ½ minutes each) “Fractured Fairy Tale” cartoons, to give them an idea of what they're trying to create (these are YouTube links):

[Goldilocks](#) • [Sleeping Beauty](#) • [Pinocchio](#) • [Hansel and Gretel](#) • [Tom Thumb](#)

[Snow White](#) • [Rapunzel](#) • [The Three Little Pigs](#) • [Rumpelstiltskin](#)

2. Put students into groups of 2–3; it's suggested that instructors do this before class to save time.
3. Hand out the assignment and read it together.
4. Work time: 20–25 minutes.

**BE SURE TO TELL STUDENTS TWO THINGS:**

1. You're going to finish this by the end of class.
2. You're going to read these in our next class, so **bring yours with you to class!**

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Write a **fairy tale parody** of one of the amendments in the U.S. Constitution's Bill of Rights. Make sure your fairy tale does these:

1. Builds off a famous fairy tale
  2. Contains no more than 12 sentences
  3. Includes at least two instances of humor (exaggeration, references to today's culture, etc.)
  4. Explains what the amendment's purpose/meaning is
  5. Includes contributions from EVERYONE in your group
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**Reminder: Your group will read your fairy tale parody in our next class! Here's a list of some popular/famous fairy tales you can base your amendment fairy tale parody upon:**

Goldilocks and the Three Bears • Rapunzel • Snow White • Cinderella • Beauty and the Beast • Pinocchio  
Hansel and Gretel • Rumpelstiltskin • Little Red Riding Hood • The Little Mermaid • The Ugly Duckling  
The Emperor's New Clothes • The Princess and the Pea • Tom Thumb • Aladdin • Jack and the Beanstalk

**Use this page and the back of the page to brainstorm ideas and write your fairy tale parody!**