



YOUTH ART PROJECT FOR:

# 8th Amendment

## OBJECTIVE

Students will learn about the Eighth Amendment.

Set up/prep time:

**30 minutes**

Activity Time:

**2-3 hours**

Materials Needed:

**Paper, pencil, eraser, black fine point pen, water colors, paint brushes, container for water, water, and paper towels.**





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## COMMON CORE STATE STANDARD

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CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.9 Analyze the relationship between a primary and secondary source on the same topic.

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## PRE LESSON ASSESSMENT

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Do a pre lesson assessment to determine what the students already know concerning the Eighth Amendment.

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## VOCABULARY

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Amendment, Prohibits, Excessive Bail

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## RELEVANT RESOURCES

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### Content

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eighth\\_Amendment\\_to\\_the\\_United\\_States\\_Constitution](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eighth_Amendment_to_the_United_States_Constitution)  
<http://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com/8th-amendment.html>  
<http://legal-dictionary.thefreedictionary.com/Eighth+Amendment>

### Art

<http://www.magic-mural-factory.com/Pictures/Garden/LA%20Stencil%20works/PetalFlower.gif>  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r\\_H-ioVf81U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_H-ioVf81U)  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pqz5CTjjYGI>

### Students will engage in:

- Listening
- Speaking
- Reading
- Writing
- Partner Work
- Cooperative Learning
- Whole Group Instruction
- Visuals
- Hands on
- Technology Integration
- A Project
- Centers
- Simulations
- Activities



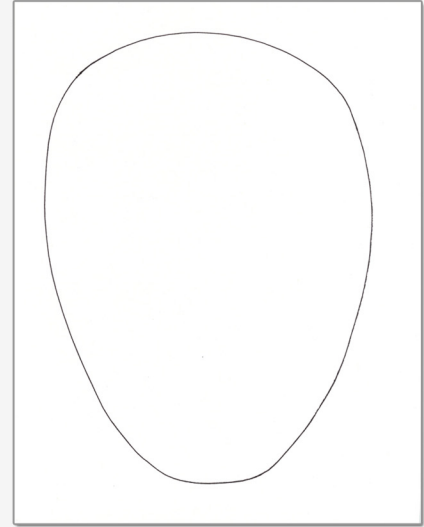
*"The biggest adventure  
you can take is to live the life  
of your dreams."  
~ Oprah Winfrey*





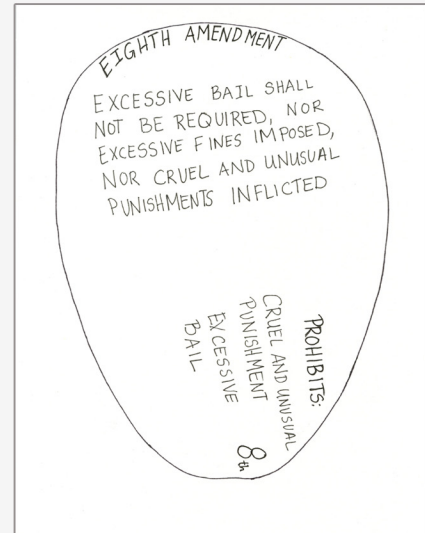
## STEP 1

This lesson is part of an entire unit focused on the Bill of Rights; it's recommended to teach this lesson after the history and importance of the Bill of Rights lesson. All of the art composed in these lessons will be connected in the end. Starting with either a plain piece of paper, butcher paper, or poster board, have the students rough (draw) an outline of a large flower petal. This flower petal will be one of ten and will be connected to the circle done in the first lesson (refer to completed image). Once the students have roughed out an outline of a large flower petal, have them cut out their petal.



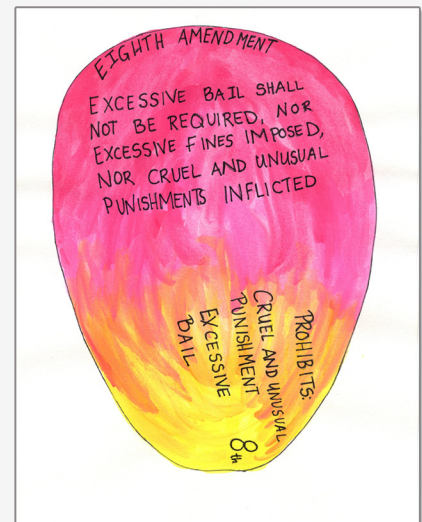
## STEP 2

Have the students use a black fine point pen to take notes in their flower petal about the Eighth Amendment. These notes should include the history of the Eighth Amendment, its importance, and other details the students find important.



## STEP 3

Have the students use water colors to paint their artwork as they desire. If needed, have the students go over their writings again with a black fine point marker so their words can be seen clearly. Have the students share what they have learned about the Eighth Amendment either in front of the class, or in a group, so they can practice their speaking and listening skills. Once they are finished, have the students attach the petal to their circle from the previous Bill of Rights lessons (to continue building their flower).



### POST LESSON ASSESSMENT

Do a post assessment to determine what new knowledge the students have gained.

