

Section 4 Guided Reading and Review  
**Freedom of Assembly and Petition**



**A. As You Read**

The following paragraphs summarize Section 4. As you read the section, fill in the blanks with the missing words or phrases.

The (1.) \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment guarantees the right of people to (2.) \_\_\_\_\_, peaceably and to petition government for (3.) \_\_\_\_\_. The (4.) \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment extends this protection to actions by State and local governments. However, the Court has allowed government to place reasonable limits on these rights in the form of (5.) \_\_\_\_\_ regulations. For example, parades cannot be held near a courthouse when court is in session if they are (6.) \_\_\_\_\_. But government regulation of the right of assembly must be precisely drawn and (7.) \_\_\_\_\_. In addition, while government can regulate assembly on the basis of (8.) \_\_\_\_\_, it cannot regulate on the basis of (9.) \_\_\_\_\_.

Most demonstrations take place in public places because (10.) \_\_\_\_\_. However, the Court has held that it is permissible for the government to require demonstrators to give (11.) \_\_\_\_\_ and acquire (12.) \_\_\_\_\_ before demonstrating in public places.

In the case of *Gregory v. Chicago*, 1969, the Court held that demonstrators cannot be charged with disorderly conduct as long as they (13.) \_\_\_\_\_, even if their actions lead to (14.) \_\_\_\_\_.

In more recent years, cases have focused on demonstrations at (15.) \_\_\_\_\_. The Court has held that local ordinances can require a buffer zone to avoid blocking access to them.

Demonstrations on (16.) \_\_\_\_\_, such as shopping malls, are viewed differently by the Court. The Court has ruled that State supreme courts may interpret State constitutions in such a way as to allow (17.) \_\_\_\_\_.

**B. Reviewing Key Terms**

Define the following key terms in the space provided.

- 18. assemble \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 19. content neutral \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 20. guarantee of association \_\_\_\_\_  
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