

The Rule of Law in American Govt: Due Process

ASSESSMENT: The Miranda Warning

Show the video clip from the movie *21 Jump Street*. The clip is only one minute, but the scene is about the consequences of the failure to read the Miranda warning during an arrest.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPGmC5PDOh4&feature=youtu.be>

After showing the clip, ask the students if they are familiar with the Miranda warning or Miranda rights and see if they can recite the warning. There may be a few who can recite most of it.

Next, ask them if they know why it is called the Miranda warning or “Miranda rights?”

Some might know about the *Miranda v Arizona* case, but most will not.

Show the “Homework Help: *Miranda v Arizona*” video clip from the Bill of Rights Institute. (See link below.) Once students have watched the video, hand out the Miranda warning cards, which you may cut out below, and have a brief discussion about the case.

Lastly, have them write a paragraph answering the following questions:

- 1. How does the Miranda warning support the idea of due process in America?**
- 2. Do you think the police should be responsible for informing criminal suspects of their rights? Why/Why not?**

Student responses should include a clear understanding of due process and which rights and amendments are addressed by the Miranda warning.

“Homework Help: *Miranda v Arizona*” Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5B34TDZtHXA>