**20-3: The Rights of the Accused**

On my website (Government>Rights of the Accused>Documents), open the 20-3 reading and use it to answer the questions below.

1. What does the Writ of Habeas Corpus require the government to do? Why is this important?

2a. What is a Bill of Attainder?

b. Why would a bill of attainder be unconstitutional (other than the fact that it is outlawed by the Constitution) ?

3a. What is an ex post facto law?

b. Make up an example.

4. What does the 5th Amendment guarantee to the accused?

4. List the provisions of the 6th Amendment concerning the rights of the accused.

5. Evaluate this statement.

*It is better to allow 10 guilty persons to go free than it is to punish one innocent person.*

Do you agree with this statement? Yes No

Explain your reasoning.

6. If the guarantee against self incrimination were removed from the Bill of rights, what affect might it have on the criminal justice system? Would justice be more or less likely to be carried out?