



## Seventh Amendment: Worksheet

*Matching: Match the term on the left to its definition on the right.*

1. The Preservation Clause	a. <i>"In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved. . ."</i>
2. The Re-examination Clause	b. ruled that the Seventh Amendment doesn't necessarily apply to patent claims
3. <i>Dimick v. Schiedt (1935)</i>	c. found that a jury of six suffices in such trials even though eighteenth-century English law required twelve
4. <i>Colgrove v. Battin (1973)</i>	d. <i>" . . .and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, then according to the rules of the common law."</i>
5. <i>Feltner v. Columbia Pictures Television, Inc. (1998)</i>	e. stated that the Seventh Amendment protects the substance of one's right to a jury trial, not the strict procedures of it
6. <i>Markman v. Westview Instruments, Inc. (1996)</i>	f. firmly established that "common law" refers to the common law of England during the time of the Amendment's ratification in 1791.
7. <i>Baltimore &amp; Carolina Line, Inc. v. Redman (1935)</i>	g. extended the Seventh Amendment to copyright infringement lawsuits

*Short Answer: Fully and succinctly answer the following questions.*

8. What kind of cases does the Seventh Amendment apply to?

9. How has the Twenty Dollar Clause been interpreted in modern cases?

10. What's one reason the Seventh Amendment isn't as hotly debated and discussed as other amendments?



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1. The Preservation Clause - a.
2. The Re-examination Clause - d.
3. *Dimick v. Schiedt* (1935) - f.
4. *Colgrove v. Battin* (1973) - c.
5. *Feltner v. Columbia Pictures Television, Inc.* (1998) - g.
6. *Markman v. Westview Instruments, Inc.* (1996) - b.
7. *Baltimore & Carolina Line, Inc. v. Redman* (1935) - e.
8. Federal civil cases
9. Largely ignored, since federal law requires the disputed amount exceed \$75,000 for the case to be heard
10. Answers will vary but a sample answer is: very few cases are tried by juries since judges have more power to review and decide cases than they did in the 1700's, and most civil cases are settled outside of court.