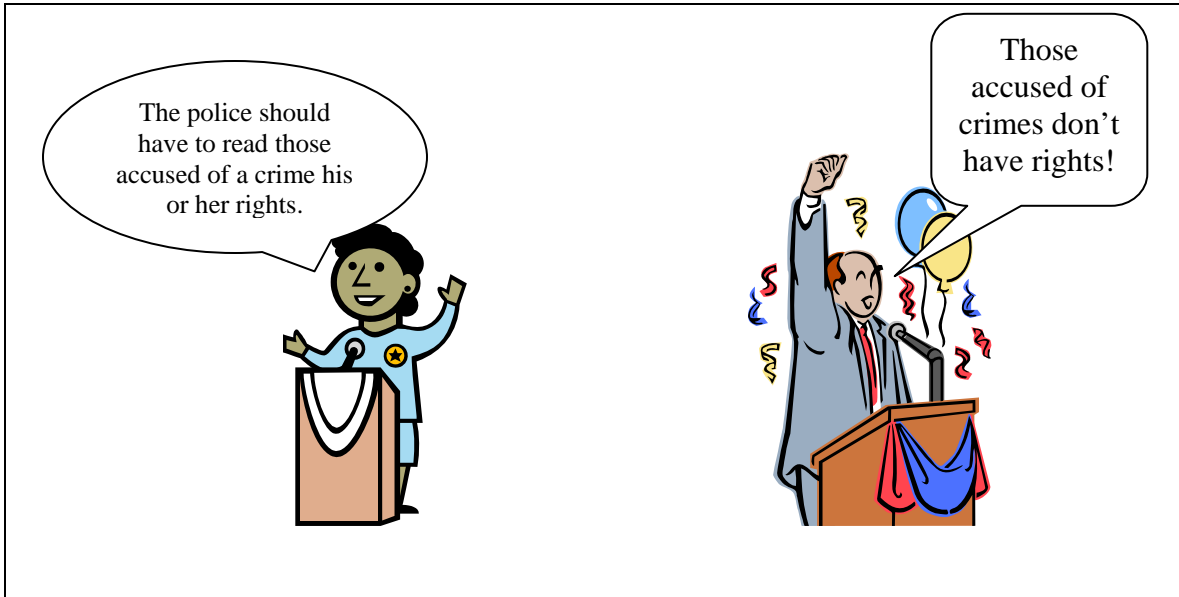


**Benchmark: Civics 4**



**Brief Constructed Response Prompt:**

Why might it be important for you as a citizen to be informed about the different candidates before you vote? Use an example to support your answer.

**Possible Response(s):** Students may offer a variety of plausible responses.

If you were not informed you might end up voting for someone who actually disagrees with the ideas you support or worse, might actually vote for someone who is a threat to your fundamental rights. If I were not informed about the candidates in this election I might vote for the man who wants to ignore due process even though it is guaranteed by the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

**Rubric**

- 2** = This response gives a valid response with an accurate and relevant example.
- 1** = This response gives a valid response with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no example.
- 0** = inaccurate or no response