

Watch the Court Shorts: Right to Counsel episode and fill out the graphic organizer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CKQM52VAX6w>

Topic	Notes
What is a right to counsel and why is it important?	
How did the right to counsel become established?	
What is important about <i>Gideon v. Wainwright</i> ?	
What happens if someone can't afford a lawyer?	
Does the right to counsel apply to kids?	
Why should we be concerned about right to counsel?	

Reflection questions- answer in your own words

1. How do you think the concept of "justice" would be different if individual judges or government officials made the decisions on guilt or innocence, rather than juries of people?
2. What would most likely happen to people accused of crimes if they did not have legal counsel/lawyers at trial?

MO Learning Standards

**9-12.GV.3.GS.A-** Apply the concepts of due process of law, popular sovereignty, rule of law, representation, and federalism to explain the purpose and legacy of the constitution.