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**Civics**

**You, the Jury (33:00)** ★ ★ ★

This video involves the students first as jurors, then as legislative drafters, and finally as trial lawyers, judges and witnesses. The video begins with the trial of a teenager who bought a "hot" stereo and has been accused of receiving stolen property. After the trial, the students will decide guilty or not guilty. In the second segment of the video, a law professor walks the class through the Constitutional issues that were presented in the trial: the Confrontation clause, the Right to Trial by Jury, and Search and Seizure. These issues come alive as the video flashes between the words of the Constitution and their actual manifestation during the trial. The students will see an actual state criminal statute outlawing the receipt of stolen property. As most burglaries are supported by people who buy stolen goods, should the law be changes to make it easier to convict these people? If so, how might the statute be changes? Rewriting a statute forces students to write with precision. Students can then conduct their own trial. © 1995 United Learning

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**Campaign Essentials: Ballot Battles (44:51)** ★ ★ ★

This documentary delves into the issues of voting as the nation prepares for another high-stakes election and the quality of the process is at the forefront once again. Four years ago, the close presidential race exposed an imperfect system made of faulty machines, uncounted absentee ballots and sloppy procedures. But the cure may be worse than the disease. Now there's new laws, new computerized voting machines, and new demands for disability voting rights. Produced by New York Times Television for Discovery Times Channel. © 2004 Discovery Times Channel