Gideon’s Trumpet Social Science

1. What is Gideon’s opinion of the movie Gideon’s trumpet?
2. What is the witness’s account of the incident?
3. How much money is missing?
4. What is found in Gideon’s pockets?
5. Why does Gideon not have a lawyer?
6. When does the Judge claim Gideon is allowed to get an appointed lawyer?
7. Why does Clarence Gideon call his landlady to the court?
8. What is the Jury’s verdict in the case of Gideon v. Cocoran?
9. What is Mr. Gideon’s past history?
10. Why does Gideon say he wants a job inside?
11. What does Gideon request from the librarian?
12. What amendment does Gideon invoke?
13. What does he find out about one of the other prisoners?
14. What is the process to get a case to the Supreme Court?
15. How many cases does the appellate court hear a day?

16. How does the petition for review process work?

1. What are the issues in play for Gideon v. Cocoran?
2. What was the rule in Betts?
3. What is the issue if they rule the Gideon trial unfair?
4. According to the court is it fair to not have a lawyer against a lawyer?
5. What does the Supreme Court tell Gideon he will get for his retrial?
6. What is the argument that the defense will create?
7. What does the Supreme Court want the defense to try the case as?
8. What does the Defense request of Gideon?
9. What was Gideon’s upbringing?
10. Explain what happened when Gideon went to Hannibal reformatory?
11. Why is the defense happy that Gideon is of sound mind and body?
12. Why are people starting to approach Gideon in the jail?
13. How does the Supreme Court case open up?
14. What was the Supreme Court’s ruling?
15. Does Gideon’s case need to be retried?