**V. Citizenship**

* **Citizen –**
* Most people become citizens of America because they are born here
* **Naturalization –**

1. Citizen’s Rights

* **Bill of Rights –**
* Protects our right to free speech, to religious freedom, and many others
* If government violate these rights, citizens have the right to take them to court

1. Citizen’s Responsibilities

* **Civic Life –**
* **Civic Participation –**
* Voting is one of the easiest ways that citizens can participate in the democratic process

**What are other examples of civil participation?**

1. Citizenship Worldwide

* Today the majority of the world’s countries are democracies
* These democracies are responsible for protecting basic human rights
* How responsible for protecting rights around the world should the world’s people be?

1. Growing Debate

* State sovereignty verse protecting human rights
* Do independent countries have the right to treat their people any way they want to?
* Do countries around the world have a responsibility to protect human rights when states violate these principles?