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Quiz: Stealing Homes

Directions: Select the answer that best completes the sentence

1) In 11 states, local governments can take people's homes because _____.

- A) mortgage payments are not being made to the bank
- B) homeowners fail to show up for jury duty
- C) homeowners rely on social services and subsidies too long
- D) they miss one property tax payment

2) Tawanda Hall's home was taken because she owed \$900. Her county government

_____.

- A) took what it was owed and gave her the balance
- B) turned her property into a park
- C) kept \$286,000 more than what she owed
- D) moved her and her family into a better, more modern house

3) Christina Martin, of the Pacific Legal Foundation, believes _____.

- A) government has every right to take people's homes
- B) subsidizing those who don't pay taxes is wrong
- C) it's unconstitutional for the government to take more than its owed
- D) homeowners should learn to budget their money better

4) According to Martin, the government has an incentive _____.

- A) not to work with people who are behind in their taxes
- B) to get homeowners to pay their taxes on time
- C) to educate homeowners about the taxes they owe
- D) to maintain the value of the community as a whole

5) The main point of this video is that _____.

- A) local governments should help people in financial need
- B) governments are taking homes unfairly and ruining people's lives
- C) property tax payments are critical to keep government running
- D) governments should seize homes only as a last resort

Answers:

1. D
2. C
3. C
4. A
5. B