**Constitution Scavenger Hunt**

**1.**   [Find On Your Own](http://www.pinzler.com/ushistory/timeline2.html) �

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Before the American colonists could form their own government, they needed to win their independence from Britain. In what year was American independence declared?

**2.**   [Declaration of Independence Written by A Young Patriot](http://www.americasstory.com/cgi-bin/page.cgi/jb/colonial/jefferso_1)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Here�s a brief biography of Thomas Jefferson. Read all three (short) pages. How old was Jefferson when he wrote the Declaration of Independence?

**3.**   [Name That Government!](http://www.americasstory.com/cgi-bin/page.cgi/jb/revolut/2ndcong_1)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Once independence was declared, the colonies needed to form a new government. What was the name given to the plan of government they adopted on November 15, 1777? (Read both pages)

**4.**  [Home of the 76ers](http://www.ushistory.org/tour/tour_indhall.htm)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_After the Revolutionary War, the Articles of Confederation needed to be improved. In what city did colonial delegates meet to plan a better form of government? (Take the tour!)

**5.**   [Name That Delegate!](http://teachingamericanhistory.org/convention/christy/)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Scroll down to this famous painting of the Constitutional Convention. Hold your pointer over each delegate to identify him. Who is the tall figure standing on the platform?

**6.**   [Father of the Constitution](http://www.americanpresidents.org/gallery/)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sometimes called "The Father of the Consitution," this influential delegate went on to become our fourth president. What was his name?

**7.**   [Three Small Words That Shaped A Nation](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/explore/TheU.S.Constitution/index.shtml)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_The Constitution begins with a �Preamble� and three words which are the foundation of our government and our democratic way of life. What are those three words?

**8.**   [Keeping It Legal!](http://www.imahero.com/timelines/ben_timeline.htm#Branches)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Delegates at the Constitutional Convention believed the legislative branch was the most important. Which article in the Constitution outlines the makeup of this branch?

**9.**   [Which Plan to Choose?](http://www.congressforkids.net/Constitution_greatcompromise.htm)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Regarding representation in Congress, there were 2 main plans. The �Virginia Plan� called for representation by population. The �\_?\_ Plan� called for equal representation for all states.

**10.**  [A House Divided!](http://projects.edtech.sandi.net/roosevelt/constitution/greatcompromise.htm)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_In order to reach agreement about representation in Congress, the delegates made a �Great Compromise.� They created 2 legislative houses. There would be equal representation of big and small states in the \_?\_, but there would be representation by population size in the House.

**11.**   [The Executive Branch](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution/details_explanation.php?link=069&const=02_art_02)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Article II of the Constitution outlines the duties of the executive branch. According to Linda Monk, what is the main duty of the executive branch?

**12.**   [The Power of the Bench](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution/details_explanation.php?link=091&const=03_art_03)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Article III outlines the duties of the judicial branch. What is the term for the power the judiciary has to declare acts of the President or Congress unconstitutional?

**13.**   [You Have The Right......](http://library.thinkquest.org/11572/cc/cases/miranda.html?tqskip1=1)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_The Constitution also gives the judiciary the power to interpret the laws. What was the name of the 1966 Supreme Court case which defended the rights of those being arrested?

**14.**   [Know Your Rights!](http://www.quia.com/mc/142682.html)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Many delegates demanded that a �Bill of Rights� be added to the Constitution before they would sign it. What does the 1st Amendment of the Bill of Rights guarantee? ( Click on List of Terms)

**15.**   [All Those Opposed?](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution/details_explanation.php?link=116&const=07_art_07)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_During the ratification process, two factions emerged. The Federalists supported ratifying the Constitution. What was the name of the faction which opposed ratifying the Constitution?

**16.**   [New From The Old](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution/details_explanation.php?link=108&const=05_art_05)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Article V outlines the amendment process. According to Linda Monk, how many amendments were ratified under the old Articles of Confederation?

**17.**   [Partners in Governing!](http://www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution/details_explanation.php?link=112&const=06_art_06)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ What is the term for the system by which the federal government and the state governments share power? This is a key feature of American government.

**18.**   Find on Your Own

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Not including the �Bill of Rights�, the Constitution has been amended only 17 times in its entire history! The 13th Amendment was added in 1865. What did it outlaw?

**19.**   [Women Get Their Rights!](http://pbskids.org/wayback/civilrights/features_suffrage.html)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Another amendment to the Constitution gave women the right to vote. Alice Paul was a suffragette. Which amendment gave women the right to vote in 1920?

Bonus

1. How many changes or amendments are there to the Constitution?�

2. What are the first ten amendments called?

3. How many states were required to ratify the Constitution before it could go into effect?

4. What are the three branches of our Constitution?

5. Name the 4 Georgia delegates who signed the Constitution.