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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4L1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Low |
| Item | C:\Users\kanthony\Desktop\Images for Test Bank\Scroll_without_words.jpgThe passage below is from a historical document.  We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.  Source: U.S. National Archives and Records Administration  Which document contains this passage? |
| A | Declaration of Independence |
| B | Articles of Confederation |
| C | English Bill of Rights |
| D | U.S. Constitution |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4L1 | |
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| A | Declaration of Independence | ***Correct***-This passage is included in the preamble of the Declaration of Independence. |
| B | Articles of Confederation | **Incorrect**-The Articles of Confederation established the first U.S. government after independence was declared. |
| C | English Bill of Rights | **Incorrect**-The English Bill of Rights focused on the rights of persons living under a limited monarchy. |
| D | U.S. Constitution | **Incorrect**-The U.S. Constitution was written once it was clear that the Articles of Confederation had significant weaknesses. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
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| A | Only citizens can enjoy the rights guaranteed by a government. |
| B | People have rights that cannot be denied by any government. |
| C | Government must equally distribute power among people. |
| D | Government is necessary to promote equality. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M1 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
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| A | Only citizens can enjoy the rights guaranteed by a government. | **Incorrect**-The passage indicates that all persons are created equal; there is no difference in the rights of individuals whether citizens or not. |
| B | People have rights that cannot be denied by any government. | ***Correct***-Government cannot deny rights to persons that those persons have for no other reason than that they exist. |
| C | Government must equally distribute power among people. | **Incorrect**-There is no suggestion from the passage about the power that people have, whether equal or not. |
| D | Government is necessary to promote equality. | **Incorrect**-Government is not necessary to promote equality; people are born with rights that cannot be taken away by government. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M2 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
| Item | C:\Users\kanthony\Desktop\Images for Test Bank\Scroll_without_words.jpgThe passage below is from a historical document.  ...That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it....  Source: U.S. National Archives and Records Administration  Based on the passage, where should governments get their power? |
| A | from the legislative branch |
| B | from the executive branch |
| C | from elected leaders |
| D | from the public |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M2 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
| Item | C:\Users\kanthony\Desktop\Images for Test Bank\Scroll_without_words.jpgThe passage below is from a historical document.  ...That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it....  Source: U.S. National Archives and Records Administration  Based on the passage, where should governments get their power? | |
| A | from the legislative branch | **Incorrect**- Governments would get power from themselves if the governments got their power from the legislative branch. |
| B | from the executive branch | **Incorrect**- Governments would get power from themselves if the governments got their power from the executive branch. |
| C | from elected leaders | **Incorrect**-Governments would get power from themselves if the governments got their power from elected officials. |
| D | from the public | ***Correct-***The people are those who are governed, and it is from the people that governments get their power. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M3 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate |
| Item | Below is a diagram.  Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed  People are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights  ?    Which statement completes the diagram? |
| A | It is the role of government to determine natural rights. |
| B | It is the role of government to protect natural rights. |
| C | People establish natural rights. |
| D | People possess natural rights. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4M3 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | Moderate | |
| Item | Below is a diagram.  Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed  People are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights  ?    Which statement completes the diagram? | |
| A | It is the role of government to determine natural rights. | **Incorrect**-People are born with rights; government cannot determine what those rights are. |
| B | It is the role of government to protect natural rights. | ***Correct***-Since people are born with natural rights it is the responsibility of government to protect those rights and to ensure that protected rights are not threatened. |
| C | People establish natural rights. | **Incorrect**-People are born with rights; people do not determine what those unalienable (natural) rights are. |
| D | People possess natural rights. | **Incorrect**-People do possess natural rights. However, the people possessing those rights does not complete the diagram. |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4H1 |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 |
| Cognitive Complexity | High |
| Item | What is one way that the ideas stated in the Declaration of Independence are evident today? |
| A | equal employment opportunities |
| B | voting rights amendments |
| C | selective service |
| D | term limits |

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| Benchmark Item Number | G.C.1.4H1 | |
| Benchmark | SS.7.C.1.4 | |
| Cognitive Complexity | High | |
| Item | What is one way that the ideas stated in the Declaration of Independence are evident today? | |
| A | equal employment opportunities | ***Correct***-The concept that “all men are created equal”, which is found in the Declaration of Independence, is reflected in the concept of equal employment opportunities. |
| B | voting rights amendments | **Incorrect**-Voting rights amendments, which extended the right to vote, is not a concept reflected in the Declaration of Independence. |
| C | selective service | **Incorrect**-Selective service is linked to the concept of defending the nation. The colonists declared independence in the Declaration of Independence; they did not create a nation to defend until they created the Articles of Confederation. |
| D | term limits | **Incorrect**-Term limits place limits about how long a person may serve in elected office. The principle of limiting how much time a person would serve in elected office is not reflected in the Declaration of Independence as the colonists declared independence from a monarchy. |