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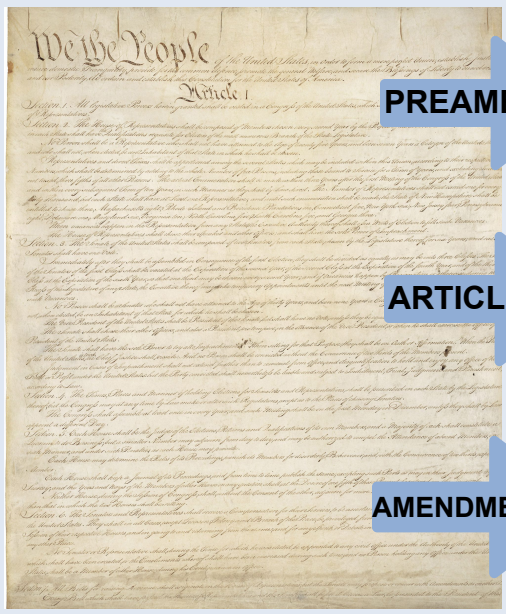
Constitution Day

Civics is all around us. There is a lot to know about the government and how "We the People" interact with the government and each other. Let's help each other expand our civic literacy.



As we think about Constitution Day, it is important to explore the document itself. What is actually in the United States Constitution?

The U.S. Constitution is a four page document, with three distinct parts, starting with the famous phrase: We the People....



PREAMBLE

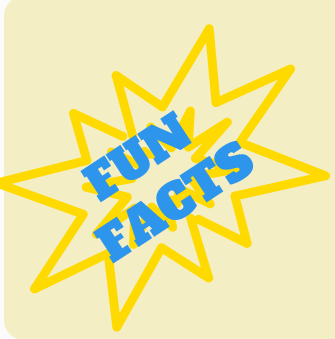
The opening statement of the Constitution, known as the Preamble, outlines the goals and purposes of government.
We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

ARTICLES

The structure and function of our government is outlined in seven articles.

AMENDMENTS

27 Amendments have been added to the Constitution. The first 10 are known as the Bill of Rights



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