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Constitution Day



Grade Range

Constitution Day Elementary Teaching Resources

What Does This Pack Include?

This pack has been created by teachers, for teachers. In it you'll find high quality teaching resources to help explore the history of the US Constitution and its purpose, and to help use this as a basis for defining clear classroom expectations.

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ACTIVITY SHEETS AND ANSWERS:				
Pre-K – Grade 2	Pre-K – Grade 2	Pre-K – Grade 2	Grades 3-6	Grades 3-6
Draw a picture of the signing of the US Constitution.	Complete a maze to help the framers get to the signing of the US Constitution.	Find words related to Constitution Day in a wordsearch.	Find words related to Constitution Day in a wordsearch.	Decipher clues about Constitution Day to complete a crossword.

FACT SHEETS:	
Pre-K – Grade 2	Grades 3-6
Explore a brief history of the US Constitution.	

CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS:	
Pre-K – Grade 2	Grades 3-6
Discuss how we can relate the US Constitution to classroom rules.	Discuss how delegates may have reached a consensus on the US Constitution.

POSTER:
Pre-K – Grade 6

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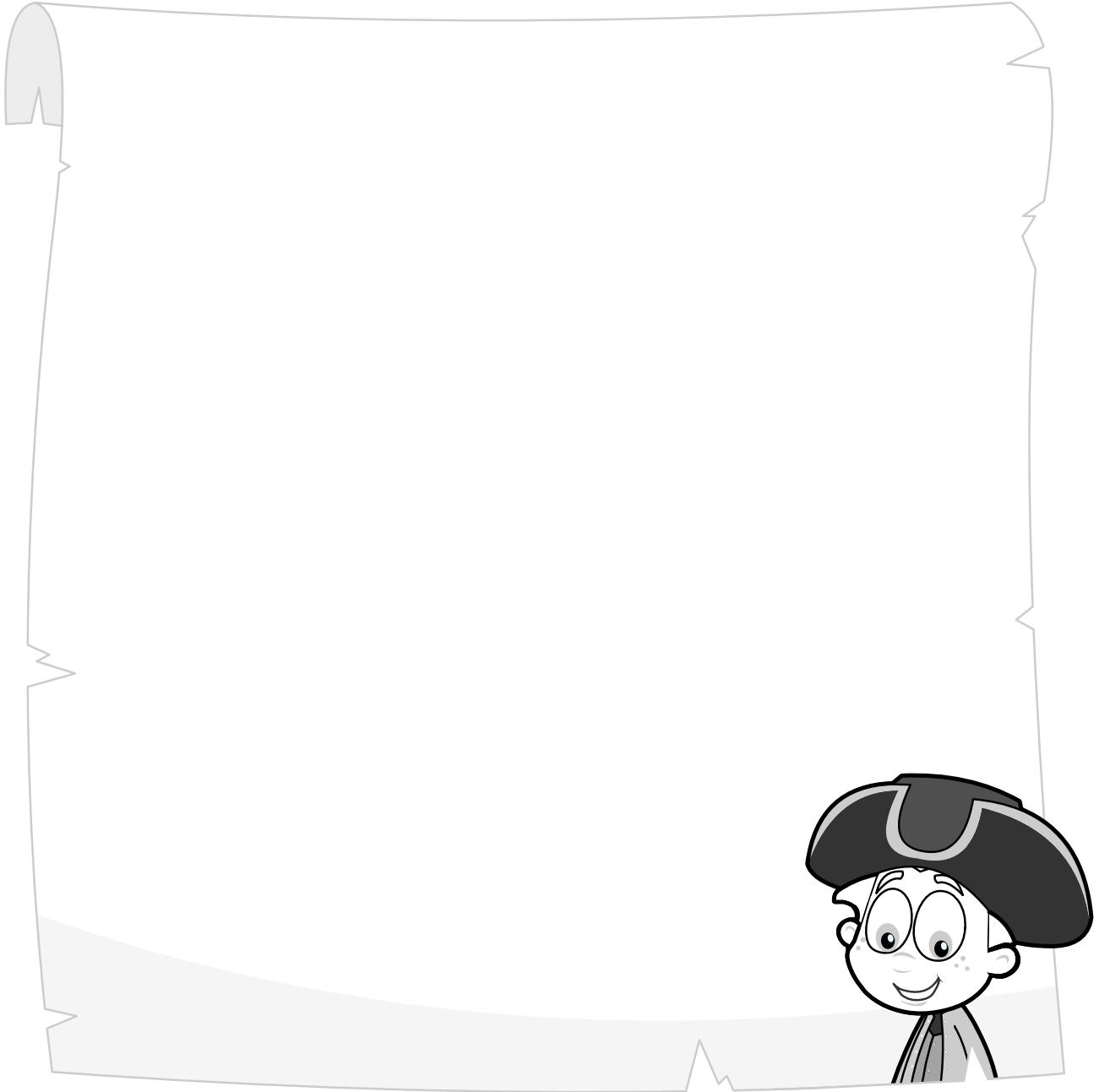
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Name: _____ Class: _____

Draw a picture of the founding fathers signing the United States Constitution.



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Accept all reasonable responses



The Constitution is important because **it gives rules to keep us**
safe and run our country.

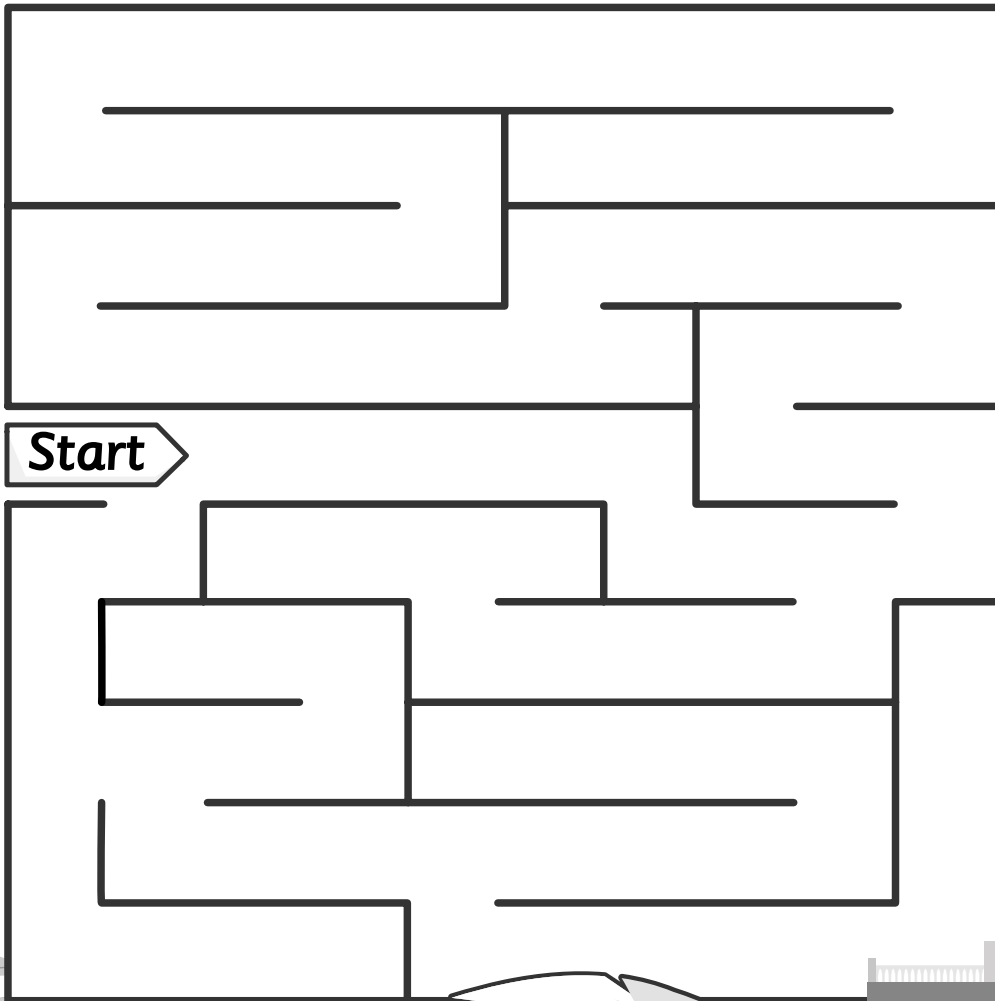
Suggested answers



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Help the framers get to the meeting to sign the Constitution.
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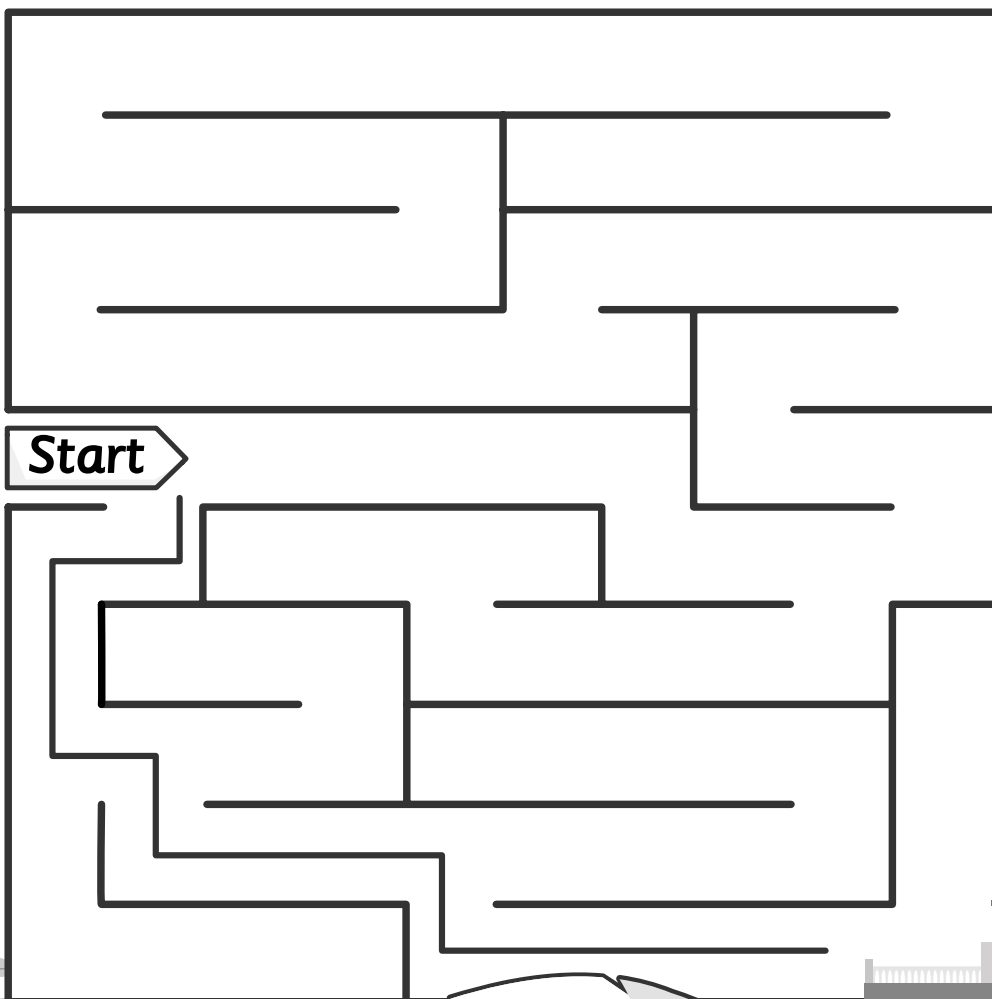


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N I T O R X N U A V I R P K R
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Circle the words that tell about the United States Constitution.

L	T	N	P	X	G	O	C	S	F	Y	R	T	F	L
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D	S	L	M	P	U	F	D	S	S	G	L	L	I	B
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W	K	N	A	J	O	L	M	S	L	E	G	N	O	K
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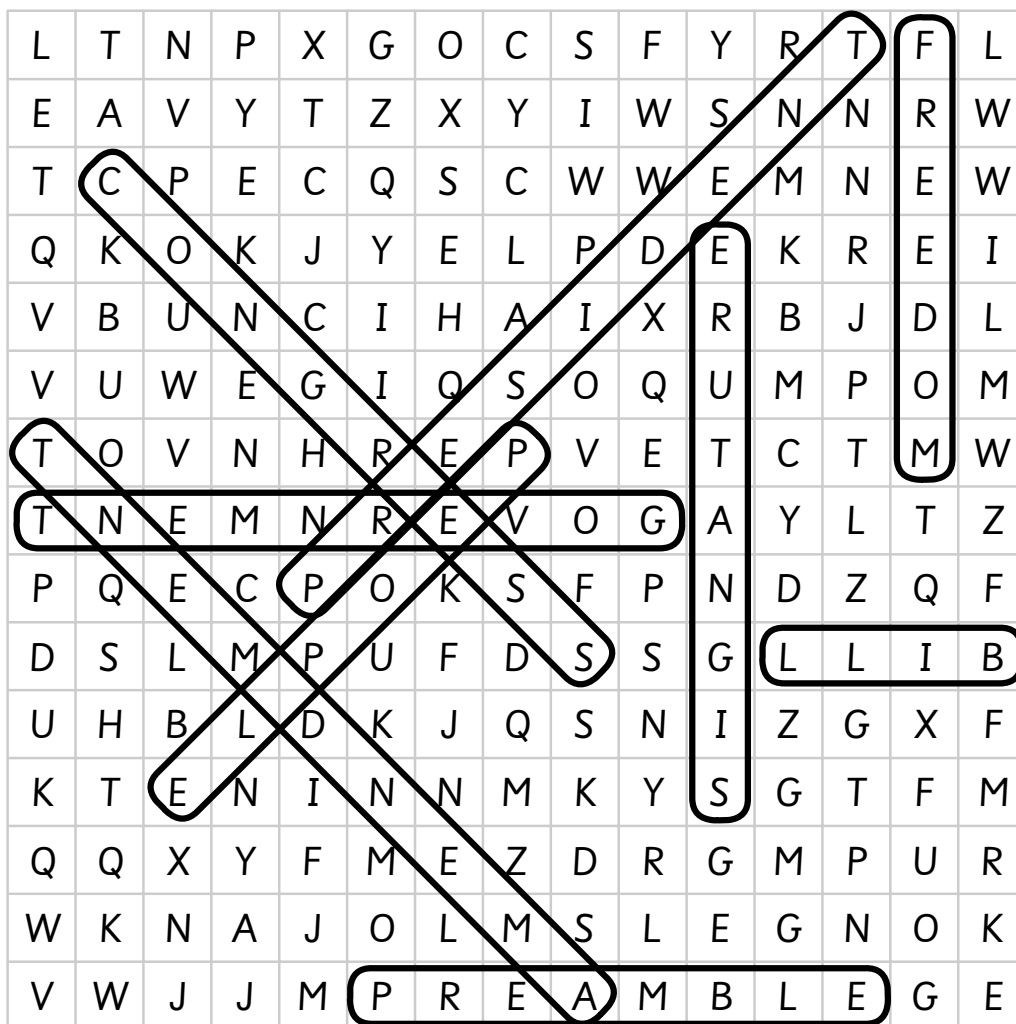


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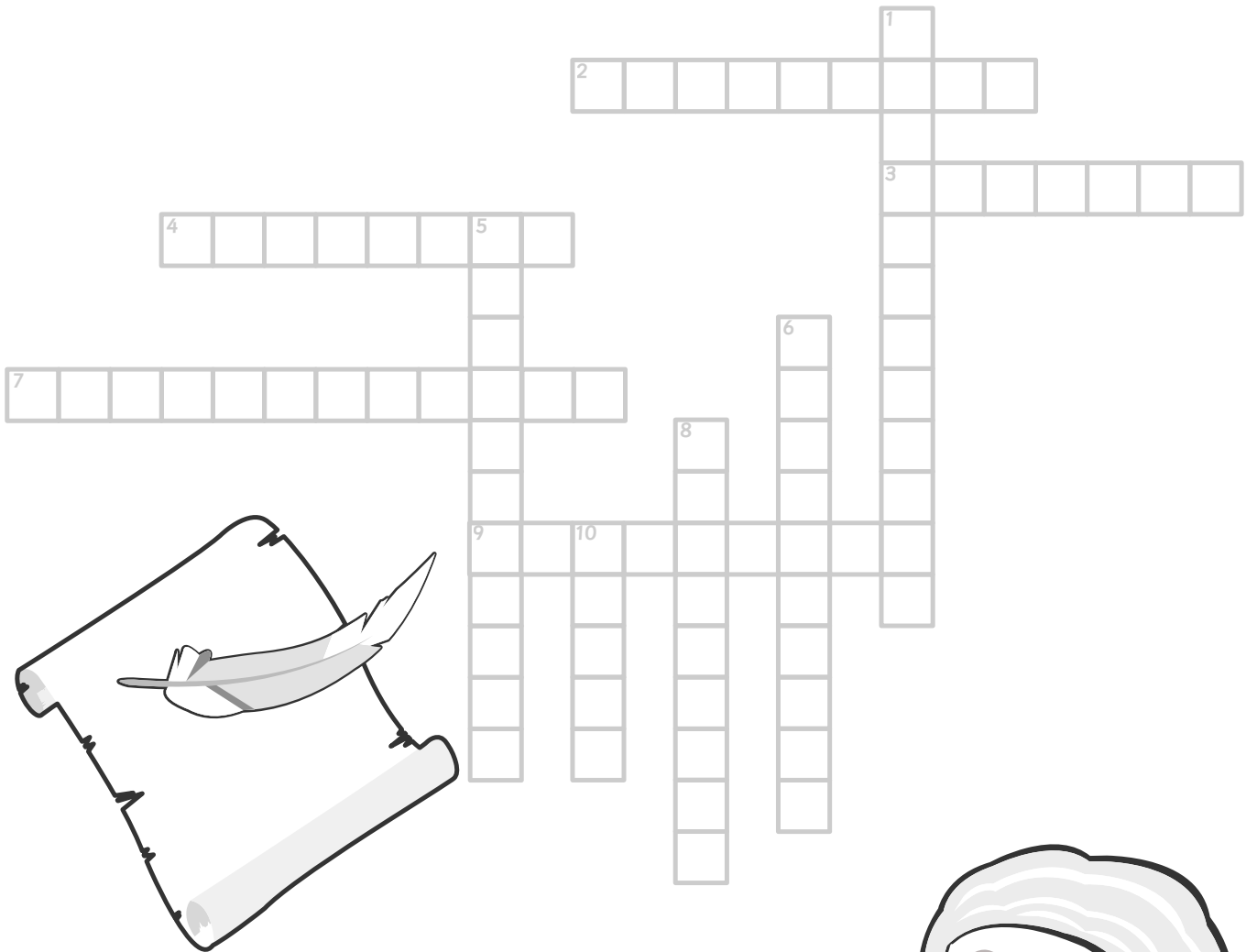
be organized.

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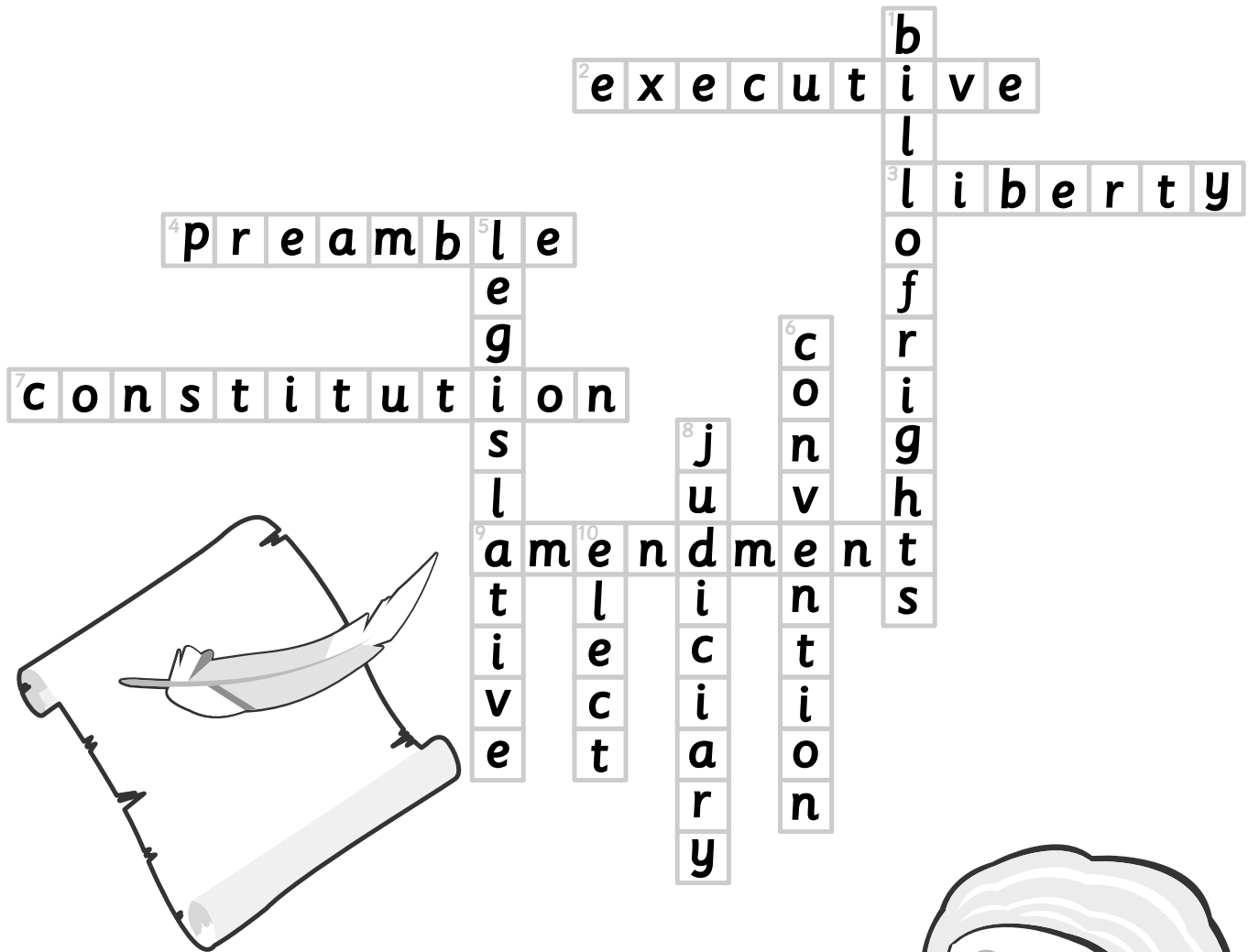
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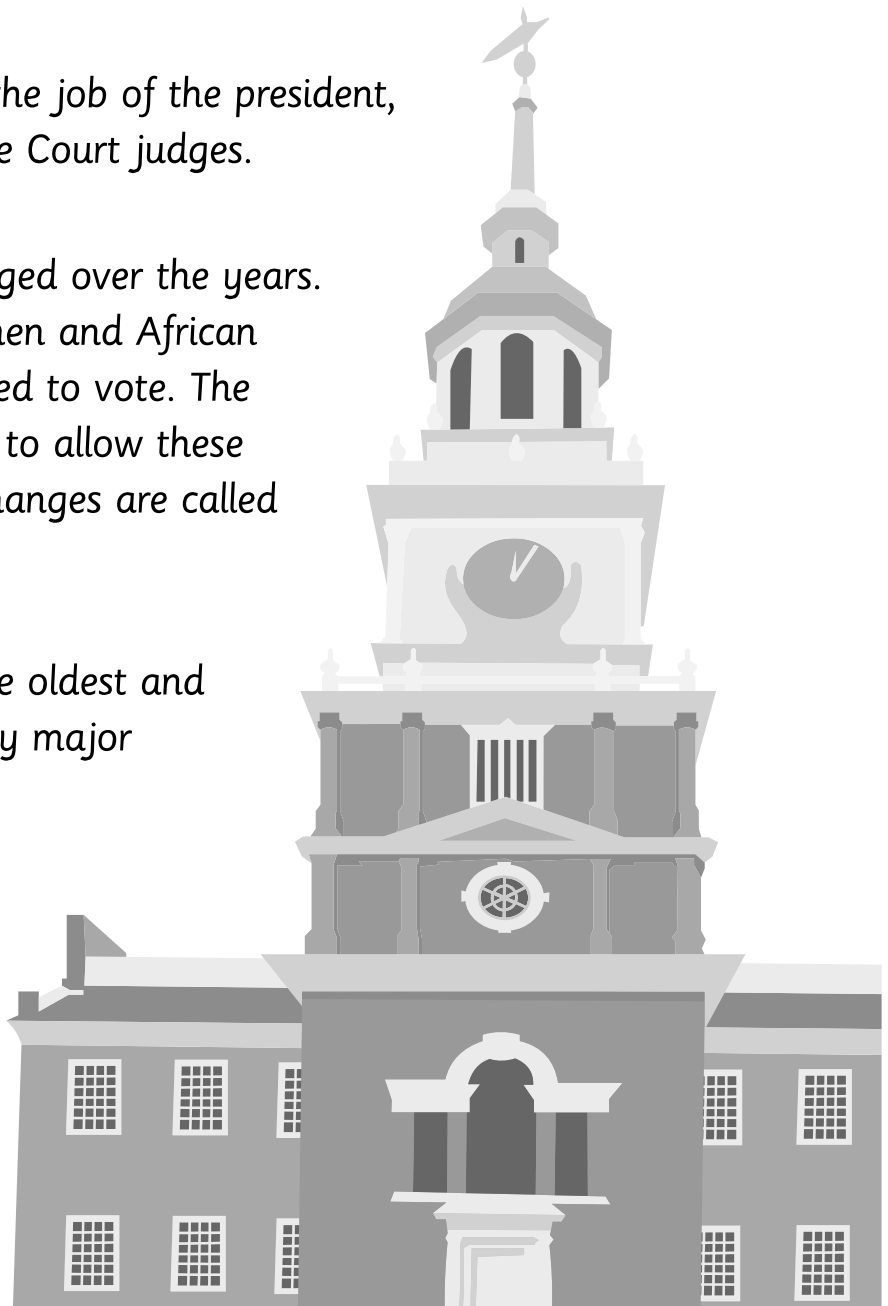
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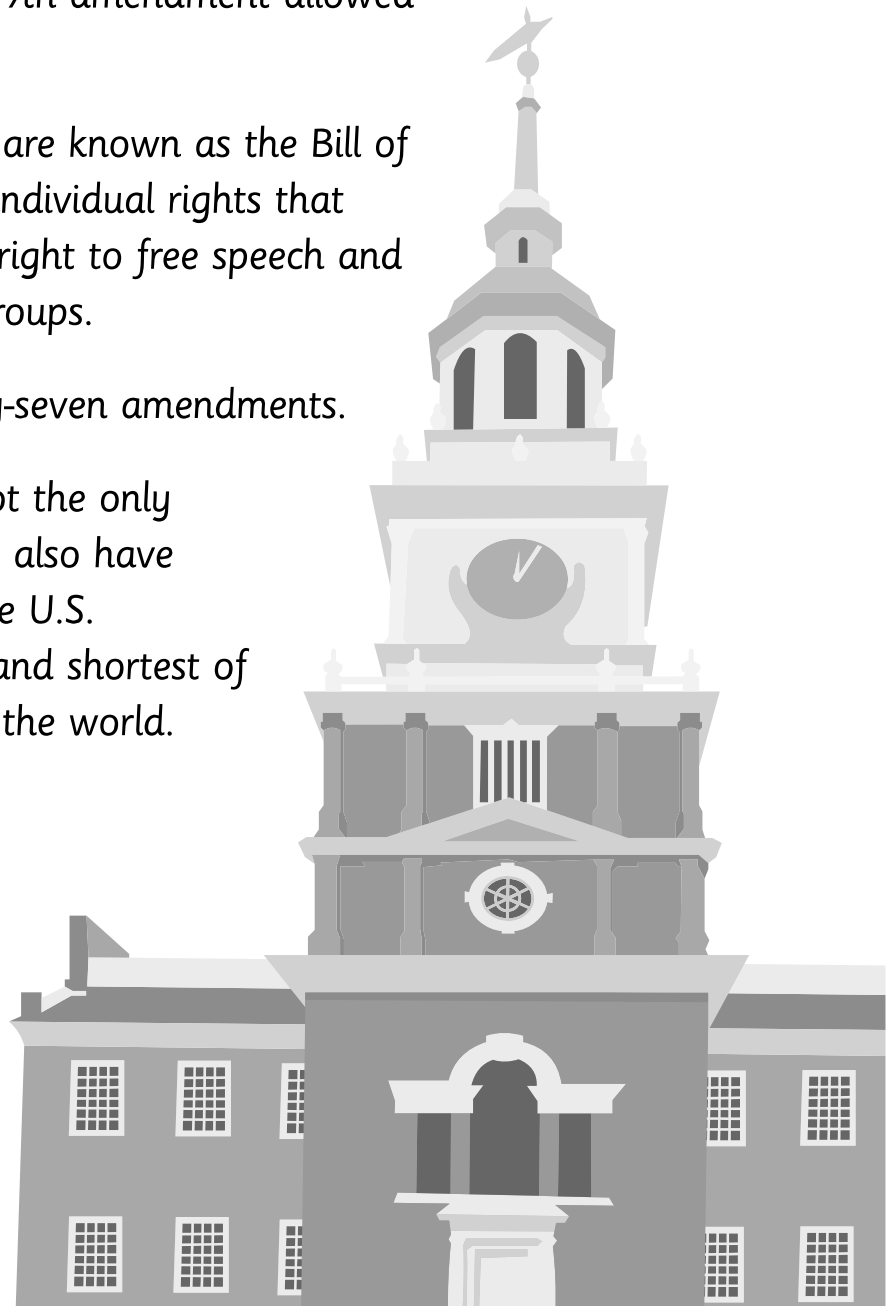


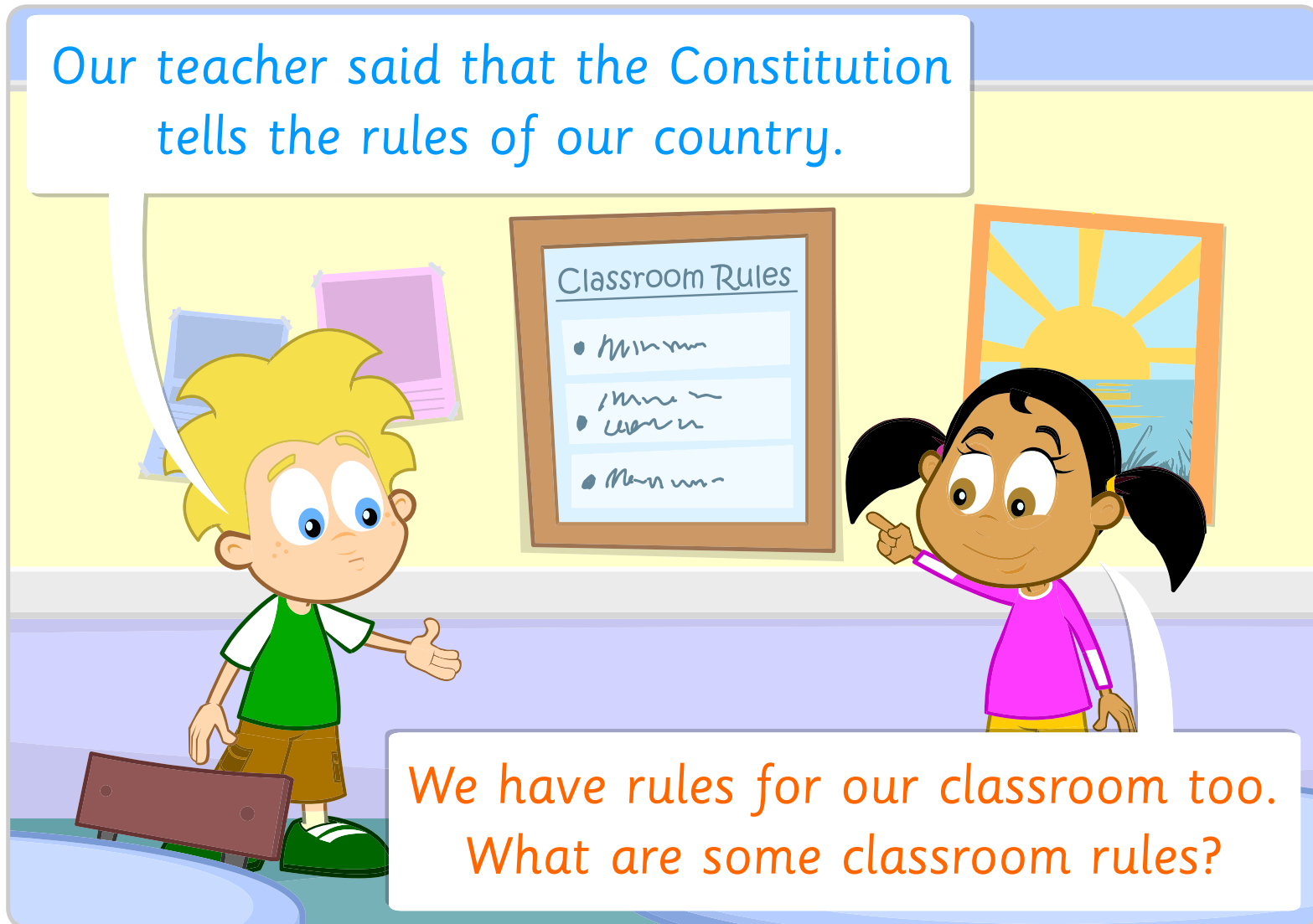


- The United States Constitution is a document that tells the law, or rules, for our land.
- Our founding fathers signed the Constitution on September 17, 1787. Some of the people who signed it were George Washington, James Madison, and Alexander Hamilton. These men all became president of the United States.
- The Constitution tells the rights of people. It says that people have the right to do many things, like gather in a group and think for themselves.
- The Constitution explains the job of the president, Congress, and the Supreme Court judges.
- The Constitution has changed over the years. When it was written, women and African Americans were not allowed to vote. The Constitution was changed to allow these groups to vote too. The changes are called amendments.
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- The U.S. Constitution was signed on September 17, 1787.
- The authors of the Constitution wrote it in secret in the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia, which is now called Independence Hall.
- The Constitution describes the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government as well as the rights of the people in the United States.
- The Constitution is a living document. This means it can be changed. Changes to the Constitution are called amendments. The 19th amendment allowed women to vote.
- The first ten amendments are known as the Bill of Rights. They describe the individual rights that citizens have, such as the right to free speech and the right to assemble in groups.
- Currently there are twenty-seven amendments.
- The U.S. Constitution is not the only constitution; other nations also have constitutions. However, the U.S. Constitution is the oldest and shortest of any major government in the world.
- You can view the Constitution at the National Archives located in Washington, D.C.

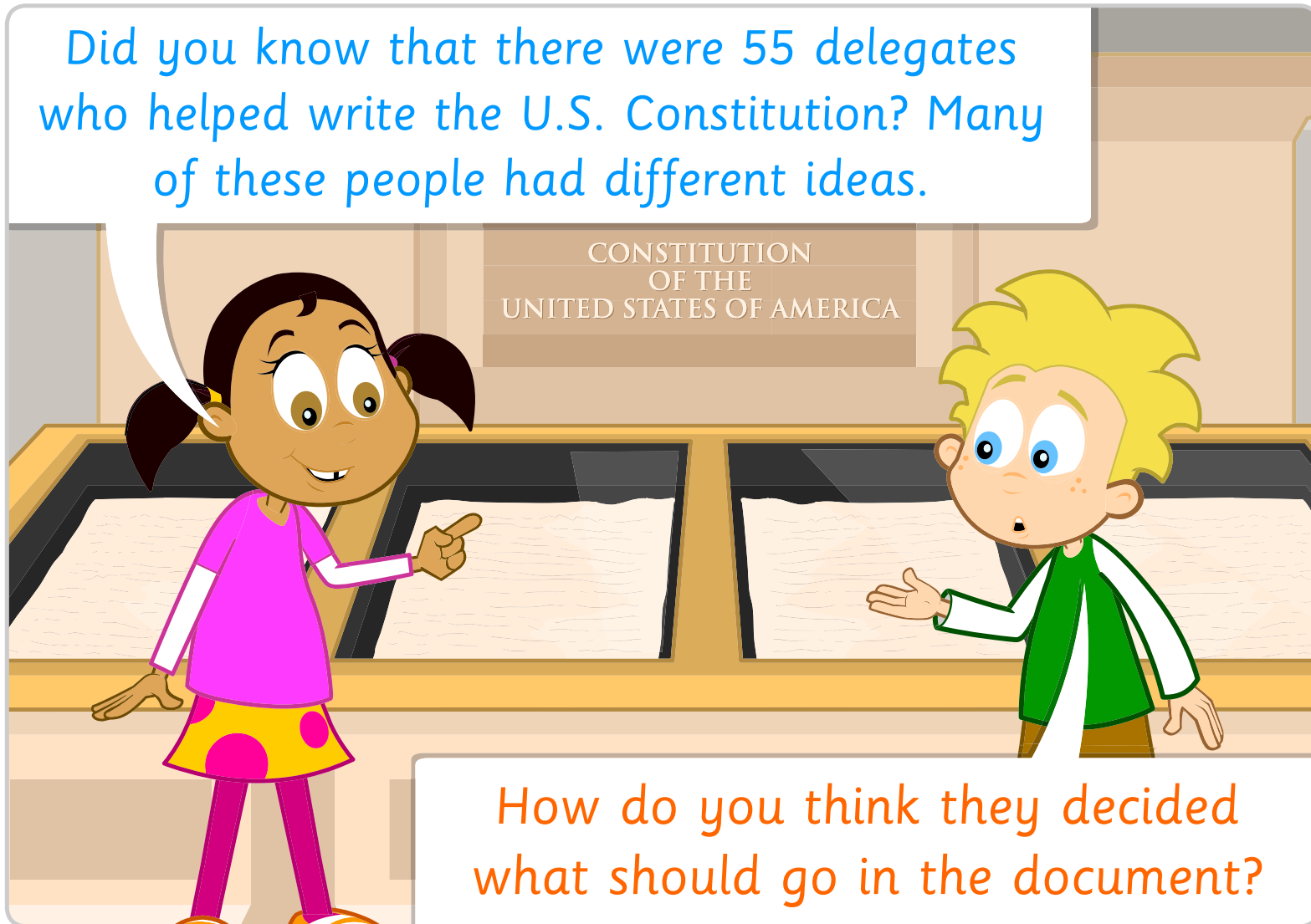




We have rules to keep us safe, such as no running and no touching other people. We also have rules to help us learn better, such as no talking during a lesson.



Can you think of any other important classroom rules?



Did you know that there were 55 delegates who helped write the U.S. Constitution? Many of these people had different ideas.

CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

How do you think they decided what should go in the document?

The illustration shows a young girl with dark skin and pigtails, wearing a pink shirt and a yellow skirt with pink polka dots, pointing towards a display case. A young boy with blonde hair, wearing a green vest over a white shirt, stands next to her with a surprised expression. The display case contains two large documents, and a sign above them reads 'CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA'. The background is a simple museum setting with tan walls and a wooden floor.

They discussed it as a group. Then they argued about why some ideas should be included and others shouldn't. They wrote many drafts. They voted to see which ideas should stay.



If your class wrote a constitution, what would you want to include in it?

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