

Unit One Objectives

Standard	Proficient	Not Yet	Unsatisfactory
1. Explain why we have government, why the Framers thought we should have government, and where they wrote thoughts down.			
2. I can define: civic life, politics, government, public policy, legislative power, executive power, judicial power, and constitution.			
3. I can explain what a state is, and four theories on the state's origin.			
4. Be able to classify government based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Geographic distribution of power b. Who can participate c. Relationship between executive and legislative branches 			
5. Explain what John Locke would say the purpose of government should be.			
6. What makes a government Legitimate			
7. Explain why the English Bill of Rights, the Magna Carta, and the Petition of Right were created, and list two ideas our founding fathers took from those documents.			
8. Explain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Limited Government b. Ordered Government c. Representative Government 			
9. Explain the relationship between the 7 years war and the declaration of independence.			
10. I can give two specific reasons as to why the Declaration of Independence was written.			
11. I can identify Ideas from John Locke as well as the Magna Carta, English Bill of Rights, and Petition of Rights in the Declaration of Independence.			
12. I can locate the concepts of popular sovereignty, natural rights, and social compact in the Declaration of Independence.			

13. Explain 3 reasons why the Articles of Confederation failed.			
14. Explain 2 differences between the New Jersey plan and the Virginia plan, and why each state liked their plan better			
15. I can explain the significance of the Connecticut compromise			
16. I can give specific examples of how the government carries out each of the six purposes of government outlined in the Preamble.			
17. I can explain each of the six Constitutional Principles.			
18. I can explain the system of checks and balances by listing a check and balance between each branch of government.			
19. I can differentiate between formal and informal amendments.			
20. The genius of the Constitution is:			
21. I can explain why the framers gave expressed powers to the federal government and reserved powers to the states.			