

The Adoption of Declaration and Constitution of the USA

1. Answer the questions:

1. When did the history of the USA start?
2. Who was the first president of the USA?
3. How many presidents were there in the history of the USA?
4. Which famous names of the American Presidents do you know?

2. Listening/ Watching the video

1. Watch the video “Boston Tea Party” and be ready to answer the questions:
What was the reason for the Boston Tea Party?
Who were the Sons of Liberty?
What happened during the event?

<https://youtu.be/31tK5C4o8DI>

3. Reading

1. Read the text and fill in the gaps.

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Boston Tea Party gave start 1_____ the American Revolution that started 2_____ April 19, 1775 3_____ the Americans and the British. During the war 4_____ July 4, 1776 – the American Congress officially declared Independence and formed the United States of America 5_____ adopting the Declaration of Independence.

At the end of the American Revolution, the new nation 6_____ still a loose confederation of states. In 1787, American leaders 7_____ together and wrote the Constitution of the United States 8 _____ became the country's basic law. The men who wrote it included some of the most famous and important figures in American history. 9_____ them were George Washington and James Madison, Alexander Hamilton and Benjamin Franklin. The authors of the Constitution,

10_____ with other early leaders 11_____ Thomas Jefferson won lasting fame 12_____ the Founding Fathers of the United States.

There was initially a 13_____ of opposition 14_____ the new Constitution as many felt that it did not specifically guarantee enough individual rights. In response, 10 amendments 15_____ as the Bill of Rights were added 16_____ the document. The Bill of Rights became law in 1791. Among other things, it guaranteed freedom 17_____ speech, the right to bear arms, freedom of religion and the rights to trial 18_____ jury. It was not 19_____ the 1970s or even later that all these rights were granted 20_____ Native Americans or black African-Americans.

4. Look through the text , find out and write down what the dates and figures below stand for.

April 19, 1775

July 4, 1776

1787

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1791

the 1970s

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