Theme: The Political System of the USA

The Adoption of Declaration and Constitution of the USA

Reading

1.Read the text. Complete the gaps to obtain a grammatically and lexically correct text

On,to,by,between,that,among,get,to be,such,along,as,a lot,know,until,of

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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.

2. 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

Do the tasks and send your answers