

Read the Bill of Rights and the Preamble

1. What reasons for writing the Constitution are given in the Preamble? (list them-6)
2. What is the purpose of the Constitution's Preamble?
3. According to the Preamble, why is the BOR necessary? Do you agree?
4. Who approved this? Why is that an important fact? (Hint: Think back to Declaration)
5. What does the BOR/Preamble tell us about the founding fathers' beliefs and values (what did they think was important)?

Declaration

1. What is Jefferson's argument in the Declaration (there are at least 2)

2. How does Jefferson feel about war? How do you know?
3. Why did the colonies break away from Britain?
4. What does “he refused to assent to laws necessary to the public good” mean?
5. According to the Declaration, what is the purpose of government?
6. What is the main idea of the Declaration?
7. What does Jefferson mean by “all men are created equal”?
8. What is the point of listing the self-evident truths at the beginning?
9. Why use powerful language like tyranny etc.?
10. Be able to ID types of appeals (logical, emotional, authority) with examples.