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Building a NEW Country...




If you didn't get to see the video yesterday or want to watch again:

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Unit 10 lesson 1

Essential Question & Objectives

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How have the ideas of John Locke and Montesquieu impacted the government of the United States?

-Identify important documents and events of the American Revolution

-Identify significant individuals and their contributions to the American Revolution

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- Do all the colonists support it?
- Will they ever be able to go back to following the King?

We'll never be Royals - A song about the American Revolution via Lorde



Fighting the Revolution



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WHO AM I?



- I was a great leader and commander
- I kept my army together through the grueling winter at *Valley Forge*
- I defeated the British at the battle of Yorktown.

Valley Forge, PA

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Where do you live?

Where is Valley Forge?

Have you ever been there?

Disadvantages

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Can you think of any disadvantages the Continental Army may have faced?

Think back to your reading

the British had twice as many troops as the Continental Army.

American soldiers often quarreled with each other and refused to take orders.

The British army was well trained and disciplined.

British had a large number of German mercenaries.

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American Revolution Timeline

- ✦ 1774: The Intolerable Acts and the First Continental Congress
- ✦ 1775: April 19th: **Lexington and Concord.**
 - ✦ May 10th: **Battle of Fort Ticonderoga**
 - ✦ June 17th: **Battle of Bunker Hill**
 - ✦ December 31st: **Battle of Quebec**
- ✦ 1776: January: "*Common Sense*"
 - ✦ March 17th: End of **Siege of Boston**
 - ✦ July 4th: Signing of the Declaration of Independence
 - ✦ August-November: **New York Campaign**
 - ✦ December 26th: **Battle of Trenton**
- ✦ 1777: January 3rd: **Battle of Princeton**
 - ✦ September 11th: **Battle of Brandywine Creek**
 - ✦ October 17th: End of **Battle of Saratoga**
 - ✦ December: Washington sets winter camp in Valley Forge.

The French Join the War!

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- After a win by the Americans at Saratoga, the French government pledged to fight beside the United States.
- This was especially important because the French could send their Navy to help.
- The French navy sent ships to protect US ports.

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1775

"Shot heard 'round the world"

1776

Declaration of Independence

1781

British army was under siege in Yorktown, VA

- The Americans surrounded the British by land and the French navy prevented escape!
- Many people across the world doubted the Americans would win. George Washington himself had doubts!
- This battle at Yorktown was the last major battle of the American Revolution!

How many years after the first shot was fired did the siege on Yorktown take place?

- A. 3
B. 6
C. 9

13 colonies into ONE country?

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- We'll see how 13 separate colonies became one country.
- Keep in mind how **revolutionary** this process was!

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Use chat to respond!

How does the current flag of the United States represent our original 13 colonies?



What??s happened so far?

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Timeline of events:

- 1775: "Shot heard round the world" the start of the revolution
- 1776: Declaration of Independence
- 1777: Articles of Confederation
- 1781: Siege at Yorktown, VA
- 1789: U.S. Constitution is ratified by 11 states and goes into effect.

Use your polling tools!

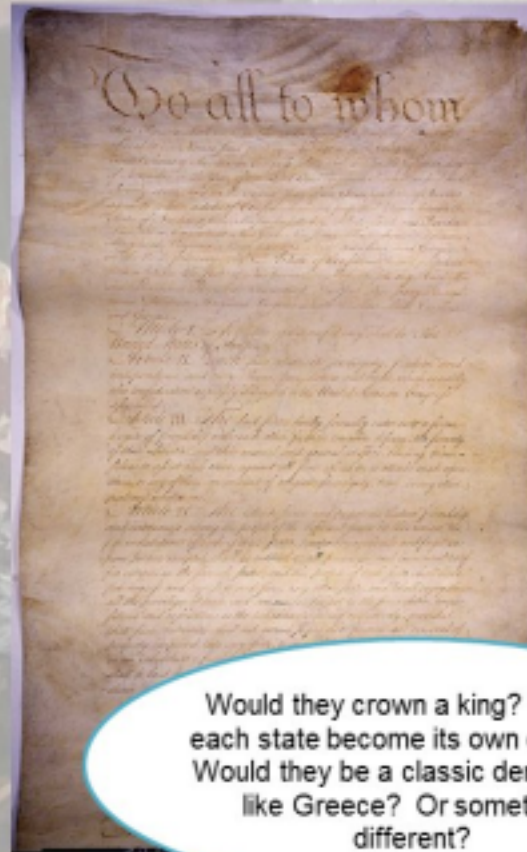
About how many years were between the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution?

- A. 3
- B. 8
- C. 13

OK?? SO NOW WHAT???

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- Towards the end...
 - Thinkers from each state came together to bounce ideas around
- REMEMBER: They were afraid of a strong central government like England had with the king



Would they crown a king? Would each state become its own country? Would they be a classic democracy like Greece? Or something different?

If at first you don't succeed??

If at first you don't succeed...

At first the US decided on a very weak central government. They were still afraid of a government having too much power.

Thus they created the **Articles of Confederation** a document that established a "loose binding of friendship between the states."

Articles of Confederation: Reasons for Failure

1. Congress couldn't pass taxes
2. States didn't have to listen to any laws passed by the federal government (no executive branch)
3. Each state printed its own money
4. States passed their own laws concerning commerce and foreign trade
5. Congress couldn't afford to pay for an army to protect the country.

Setting some guidelines??

Setting some guidelines...

- Articles of Confederation

- Congress had *very little power, could not collect taxes, could pass laws, but the states did not have to obey!*
- Many people argued that the Articles should be replaced...and a change needed to happen!



Breaking point for the Articles

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- 1786/7: Shay's Rebellion,
Massachusetts
 - Lead by Daniel Shays
 - Occurred due to economic depression
 - due to massive war debt and the lack of a common currency throughout the states
- Federal government couldn't raise enough money to raise a militia and the people of Massachusetts had to pay for their own Army to put down the rebellion
- Washington called for an immediate convention to renegotiate our Constitution

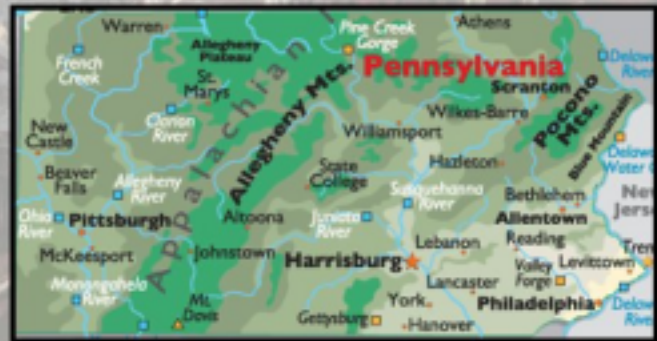


Which leads us here:

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• Where are we?



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In 1787, delegates met in *Philadelphia* at the *Constitutional Convention*.

Who do we see here?

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So lets try this again?? The Constitution!

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- 3 branches of government including a leader elected by the people
- created two houses of congress
 - Senate: 2 representatives for each state
 - House of Representatives: Based of state populations



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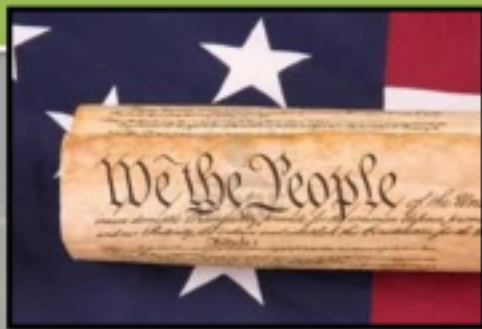
- Needed to create a stronger central government.
- They wanted the thirteen states to behave more like a single nation.
- They needed to draw up common laws and regulations and protect themselves from foreign enemies.
- They were putting into effect the ideas of the Enlightenment.

Enlightening Ideas!

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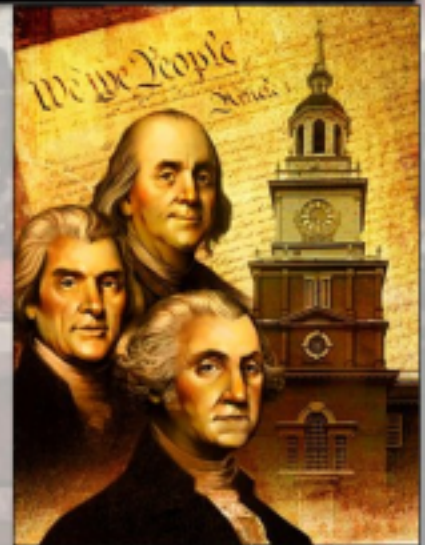
- The ideas of Montesquieu and John Locke....
 - 3 branches of government
 - Separation of powers
 - Rights of the people



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We the People....

- The Constitution set up a brand new type of country.
 - Focused on making all people ***citizens*** and not ***subjects***
- Next step in evolution from classical Greek **democracy**, but this time with representatives serving all people!
- In 1787, delegates finished the Constitution
- ***It is the world's oldest active Constitution!***



The U. S. Constitution?? why is it so unique?

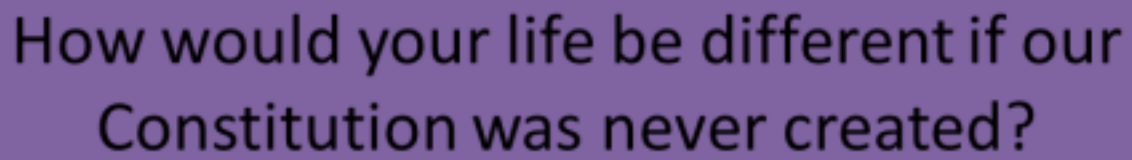
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Participate
by using your
polling tools!

The U.S. Constitution is:

- A the world's only written constitution.
- B the world's longest written constitution.
- C the world's oldest functioning written constitution.
- D the world's favorite written constitution.

How would your life be different if our Constitution was never created?



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Let??s Review!

How have the ideas of John Locke and Montesquieu impacted the government of the United States?

Let's Review!

- A. They did not impact our government
- B. We have three branches of government, a separation of powers, and many personal freedoms
- C. John Locke wrote our constitution
- D. Montesquieu was the first president of the United States and enacted many laws we still have today

Use your polling tools!

Great Job Today!

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- HOMEWORK:

- Unit 10.1 quiz in Sapphire

Remember you may use your notes
or the book to help you

- Finish questions 1-21 in the
Unit 10 Homework in sapphire