

### **C. The Declaration of Independence & the Constitution**

Read and listen to the questions and the answers.



**1. Who was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence?**

Thomas Jefferson

**2. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted?**

July 4th, 1776

**3. What is the Constitution?**

The supreme law of the land

**4. Can the Constitution be changed?**

Yes

**5. What do we call changes to the Constitution?**

Amendments

**6. How many changes or amendments are there to the Constitution?**

27

**7. What is the supreme law of the United States?**

The Constitution

**8. What is the Bill of Rights?**

The first 10 amendments of the Constitution

**9. Where does freedom of speech come from?**

The Bill of Rights

**10. Name three rights or freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights**

Freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of religion

**11. What are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution called?**

The Bill of Rights

**12. Whose rights are guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights?**

Everyone's (citizens & non-citizens living in the U.S.)

**13. What is the introduction to the Constitution called?**

The preamble

**14. Name one right guaranteed by the first amendment.**

Freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of religion

**15. What is the most important right granted to U.S. citizens?**

The right to vote

**16. In what year was the Constitution written?**

1787

**17. How many branches are there in our government?**

Three

**18. What are the three branches of our government?**

Legislative, Executive, & Judicial

**19. Name one benefit of being a citizen of the U.S.**

The right to vote (Also: the right to travel with a U.S. passport)

**20. What immigration form is used to apply to become a naturalized citizen?**

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