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Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America

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| (Preamble) |  |
| We the People |  |
| of the United States, |  |
| in Order to form  a more perfect Union, |  |
| establish Justice, |  |
| insure domestic Tranquility, |  |
| provide for the common  defense, |  |
| promote the general Welfare, |  |
| and secure the Blessings of Liberty  to ourselves and our Posterity, |  |
| do ordain and establish this Constitution for  the United States of America. |  |



Importance of words shown by their size.



The People Rule!

The image is of the crowd that went to her Dr. King deliver his “I have a Dream “speech

in Washington, D.C., to tell the government what they expect it to do.

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Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America

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| (Preamble) | * An introduction * exact meaning – to walk before * a quick walk through of key ideas before we begin |
| We the People | * No King, or royalty or “expert government guy” created this ***for*** the people * The People created this * The PEOPLE are the source of the power   + Popular Sovereignty – the PEOPLE RULE! * The president, the Congressmen, the police, the soldiers, they all work for the people.   + The people are the Boss. |
| (do ***ordain and establish*** this Constitution for  the United States of America.) | ***ordain and establish*** –   * mean the same thing (same denotation) * but have different “feelings” (connotations)   Ordain –   * Used to describe orders or rules delivered by God or a king or The Church, religious, royal   Establish –   * very mundane (common, worldly (“mundo” means world), very businesslike |
| of the United States, | * 9/13? * In the end, all 13 states did ratify the Constitution |
| in Order to form  a more perfect Union, | * Order – orderly, organized * More perfect?   + How can something be better than perfect?   + Didn’t want to say that they had really messed up with the Articles, so it was “perfect.”     - The Constitution is just “***more*** perfect.” |
| establish Justice, | **Think Shays’ Rebellion**  Establish justice –   * Make sure things are fair, that rights are not abused but protected * That we don’t take farms from subsistence farmers and throw them in jail   Insure domestic tranquility   * Create a system that makes things peaceful, not chaotic * Makes future rebellions unnecessary |
| insure domestic Tranquility, |
| provide for the common  defense, | * A national army could defend (notice the term “defense”) the states against invasion,   + as the 13 separate militias of the Articles could not |
| promote the general Welfare, | * welfare means to “fare” or “do” well * so making sure all people lead a good life |
| and secure the Blessings of Liberty  to ourselves and our Posterity, | * making sure this government protects the rights of the people a “bit” longer than the Article did! * “our posterity” mean those generations who come after us * In others words not for just 10myears |